

## Simmental Sale – Roscommon Friday May 15<sup>th</sup>

The last Simmental Sale of the season took place at Roscommon on Friday evening May 15<sup>th</sup>.

There were 16 bulls catalogued but sales in the days before the sale led to just 9 bulls being offered for sale with 6 selling to an average price of €2300.

The Champion Bull 'Village Fire' was exhibited by Ulick & Nora O`Sullivan, The Glebe, Killarney, Co. Kerry. Born in January 2014 and sired by Curaheen Vio and out of a Raceview Van Halen dam Silken Barbie. Winifred Clinton, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway was the purchaser at €3000.

The Reserve Champion went to Ray Bracken, Daingean, Tullamore, Co. Offaly with a February `14 born bull 'Cruithill Frances' who is sired by Dermody Butcher. Dermot Kenneally, Carhudyff, Lahinch, Co. Clare was the buyer at €2400.

Included in the sale was a selection of Simmental X Breeding Heifers and these met with a very strong demand with export customers competing with Suckler farmers. The following is a selection of prices:

Jan`14 born	420kgs	€1520
Mar`14 born	460kgs	€1580
Mar`14 born	410kgs	€1400
Feb`14 born	465kgs	€1480
Mar`14 born	370kgs	€1520
Mar`14 born	380kgs	€1600
Mar`14 born	410kgs	€1500
Oct`14 born	315kgs	€1120
Oct`14 born	265kgs	€1180