

## **Pilot project in Westphalia**

### **First Westphalian embryo auction with solid result**

**Münster: Twelve embryos were up for sale this evening at the Westfälisches Pferdestammbuch. Eight were successfully sold to new owners in the online auction. A satisfactory first approach, which will be repeated.**

A satisfactory pilot project ended this evening at the Westfälisches Pferdestammbuch. In Germany's first auction only for embryos, twelve horse embryos with a jumping pedigree were for sale. Frozen embryos, implanted embryos and embryos carried by their natural dams were on offer. All of them can shine with excellent pedigrees. Out of eight embryos sold, six remain in Germany. Thus, the goal of the Westfälisches Pferdestammbuch to give breeders an opportunity to expand the genetics of their blood lines has been achieved.

Four embryos of the jumping stallion Chacco-Blue, who died much too early, were on offer in this online auction. His offspring are popular in breeding and sport. This was also the case at the Westphalian Embryo Auction. The most expensive representative was an embryo implanted in a carrier mare out of the L.St.Spr. Andrea by Marome NW (breeder and exhibitor: Adel Yamout, Canada). Under the saddle of Abdullah Waleed Alsharbatly (SAU), the mare herself has been highly successful in jumping competitions up to 1.60 m. Further internationally successful horses originate from this dam line. For 18,500 Euros this embryo changed to Mexican ownership. The same customer bought an offspring of Balou du Reventon (breeder and exhibitor: Thomas Sagel, Brakel) for 14,500 Euros. The stallion won the CSIO5\* Grand Prix in Sopot/POL this year. The genetic dam of this embryo implanted in a carrier mare is Coree Bluee by Casallco/Chacco-Blue. The second most expensive embryo is once again a direct descendant of Chacco-Blue. The implanted embryo out of a genetic dam by Kassander van't Roosakker (breeder and exhibitor: Frank Van Eijkelenburg, Netherlands) was worth 17,000 Euros to a sport and breeding stable from East Westphalia.

In total, the eight embryos sold realized 85,750 Euros. The average price was 10,719 euros. "The demand from breeders and buyers in advance was great. This shows us that we are basically on the right track with the embryo auction. We now know which adjusting screws we still have to turn. A repetition is definitely planned", says auction and marketing manager Thomas Münch.

The attached photo can be used in connection with the PM free of charge. (Photo credit: Arnd Bronkhorst)

BU: An embryo by Chacco-Blue changed hands at the highest price.