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Combine star lot at Norfolk auction

A John Deere combine proved the star lot at Brown & Co's machinery sale at Frith Farm, Great Moulton near Diss, last week fetching over £43,000.

The event, which attracted around 300 farmers, was held following the dissolution of the farming partnership. With many interested parties, the John Deere 2266 combine finally fell under the hammer for £43,300. Meanwhile a JCB Fastrac 2140 tractor fetched £30,000, a 3155 model made £14,100 and a John Deere 6800 sold for £10,100. Among the other major lots was a 4m Vaderstad Drill which fetched £21,800 a 4.6m Knight folding press sold for £11,600 and a McConnel hedgecutter PA 9058 attracted £4,600.

Brown & Co auctioneer Simon Wearmouth commented; "A wide range of quality machinery, including entries from other farmers, attracted a large number of buyers. Competition was fierce with quality lots selling at a premium, which reflects the current market."

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Brown & Co concluded the sale of the 426-acre farm earlier this year. Following a huge amount of interest the farm was sold by formal tender well in excess of the £2.695 million guide price.

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