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MEMBERSHIP TIPS by Jerry Cassady, director of member services

Automatic Membership Dues Renewal

With the start of a new year, the Member Services department has something new to present.

Automated dues renewal has been widely requested by the membership and is now a reality.

The optional automatic membership dues renewal is a service the American Angus Association is offering to annually renew regular and junior membership dues. This will be an automatic process using the saved payment method in your AAA Login account.

This feature requires members to select a membership renewal type (meaning with or without the *Angus Journal* subscription) and a designated payment method within AAA Login. Annual automatic renewal will be processed on the 20th day of the month when the membership dues expire.

Keep in mind, you can manage your preferences or unenroll from this automated service at any time. Within AAA Login you can provide updated credit card information, edit your renewal type, or simply unenroll if not interested by visiting the "My Account" tab and selecting "Manage Auto Dues Renewal" in the dropdown menu. Linked accounts can be managed by a common membership if desired, and will automatically renew to the credit card on file.

The convenient automatic dues renewal service will ensure your membership is renewed routinely on an annual basis, utilizing the saved payment method and selected renewal type. Renewing your membership maintains election

eligibility status and membership privileges without disruption. This service will eliminate any gap in membership or months when the Angus Journal doesn't arrive. Your membership allows you to continue registering Angus cattle with the Association, to take part in the Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR®) program and benefit from the convenience of a personal AAA Login account. Note that managing your preferences throughout the calendar year will not change your current membership information. Your preference selections will be in place at your next automatic renewal.

Another advantage to this new service will be the paper reduction and elimination of reliance on the Postal Service for notifications and payment. In place of a printed dues renewal invoice and membership letter, a payment reminder email will be sent on the first day of the month that dues are set to expire including the date the renewal will be processed, the card that will be used and the membership renewal type selected. An order confirmation will follow on the 20th of that month, informing the member of the transaction.

Enrolling in automatic dues renewal is quick and simple. When members pay their dues online, the default is to enroll in the automatic membership dues renewal service based on the membership renewal type and payment method selected. To enroll today or to manage your - Steps for Automatic Dues Renewal -

- ► A valid email address
- ► AAA Login profile
- ► Save a payment method on file
- Visit My Account > Manage Auto Dues Renewal
- Select the renewal type, your desired payment method and hit the blue enroll button

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settings, simply sign in to your AAA Login account and click on My Account > Manage Auto Dues Renewal, or contact a Member Services representative for assistance. The benefit of this new service is convenience for the membership, as members will no longer have to remember to call in to pay their membership dues. Dues will be paid on time, every time.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: For more information regarding the automatic dues renewal service, contact the Member Services department at 816-383-5100 or email me directly at *jcassady@angus.org.*