

1983 National Western



Bill Wilson (left) of Premier Angus and Eldon Krebs exchange congratulations—they led out the reserve and grand champion bulls.

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Powerful. Impressive. From the competition on the hill, to the pens and carloads in the yards. From the crowds at ringside, to the gatherings in the barns. From the Centennial kickoff, to the Hilton socializing and Brown Palace extravaganza. Denver, Jan. 13-16. The 1983 National Angus Show matched all expectations.

Howard Hillman, Canova, S.D., lined up the 254 entries of the Centennial event, complimenting breeders on the set of cattle presented.

"We each need to set a goal and reach for it," he commented. And it was exciting to realize what Angus breeders could be reaching for—with such a superb assemblage of cattle and cattlemen, it was easy to be optimistic about the next 100 years of the Angus breed.

Thousands of Angus breeders and enthusiasts came to take in events in the col-



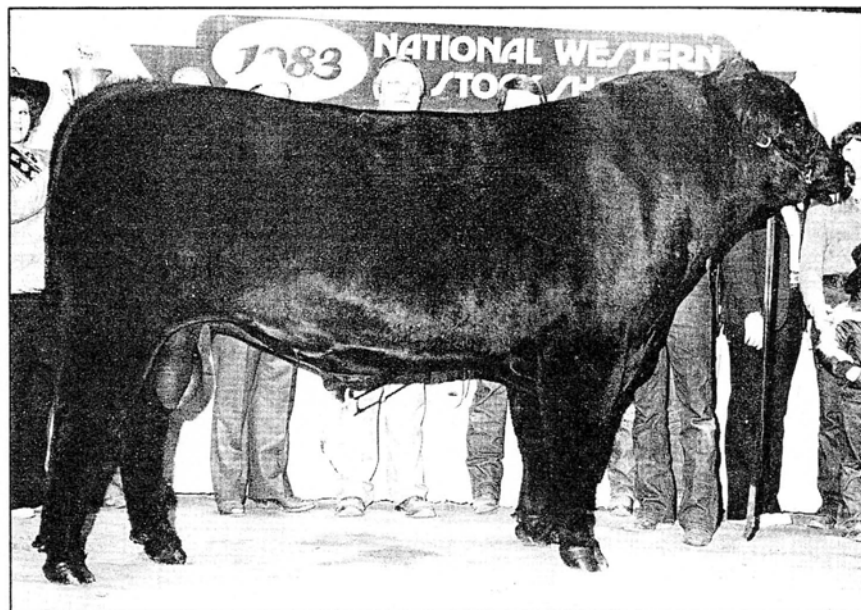
Looking toward the next 100 years of the Angus breed and searching for what he thought would be the most useful individual, judge Howard Hillman went out to slap his grand champion bull. He headed for High Voltage, and the 2,433-lb. senior champion was a popular choice.

The 3-20-80 son of Ken Caryl Mr. Angus 8017 out of Queen Pride HF 880 was hardly new to the winner's circle. An impressive tally of wins includes two consecutive Western National Angus Futurity championships, grand and supreme championships of the 1982 All-American Angus Futurity (and reserve grand championship in 1981). He has reigned as reserve grand champion in Denver for the past two years.

Huckfeldt-Krebs bred the coming-three-year-old (Eldon Krebs has been at the halter throughout his show career) and the Montana partners have each purchased their interests in the past year.

"More total beef" was the description Hillman used as he chose the champion over Dr Spock (in class), Pine Drive Big Sky (for senior champion) and 102 other powerful contenders. Real proof of a bull is illustrated by his progeny, and High Voltage calves spoke well for the champion.

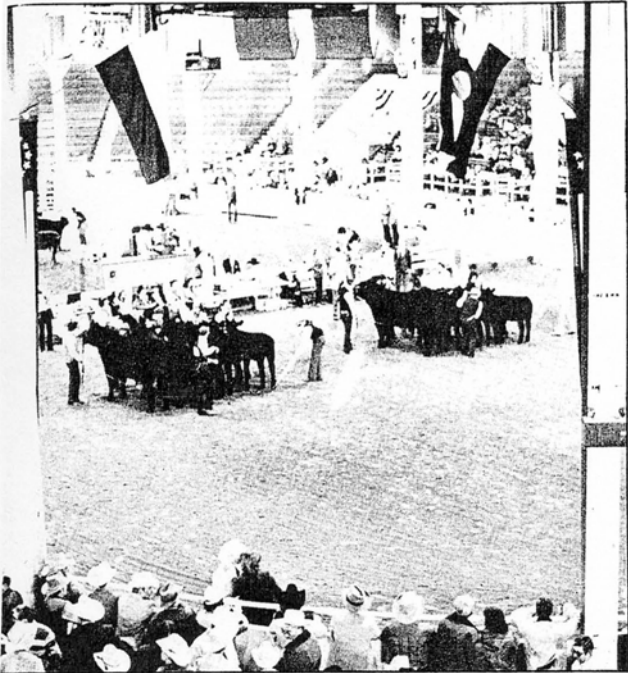
GRAND CHAMPION BULL HIGH VOLTAGE



Exhibited by Huckfeldt-Krebs, Gordon, Neb.; Bear Creek Angus Ranch, Cameron, Mont.; and Gold Block Angus, Boyd, Mont.

Stock Show

The power of the Angus show seemed to be the talk of the stockyards.



Howard Hillman of Bon-View Farm, Canova, S.D., judged the 1983 National Angus Show—his decisions and remarks were well appreciated. He lined up 149 females and 105 bulls in the course of two days, commenting often on the strength of the cattle and depth of quality throughout.

"Remember this is one person's opinion," he summarized, "and it's not important that we all think alike. In fact, it's not healthy for the breed if we do."

GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE WINDAC CLASS 1752



Exhibited by Windy Acres Angus, Harrison, Neb.; Lovana Farms, Clarkesville, Ga.; Picket Fence Farm, Grayslake, Ill.; Abacus Farm, Bristol, Wis.; and Bertel Skou, Buenos Aires, Argentina

"A tremendously strong female, certainly very complete." Those were Hillman's words as he talked about this champion. Overwhelming, awesome, the best female that's ever been led out—everyone had their own description, and everyone liked her.

Her Denver jewel completes the Angus "Triple Crown"—she took the Futurity and the North American championships last year. Her list of wins runs deep, including Reno and several state fairs. Comments in the barns prove she's been the center of attention at each stop.

Hillman talked frame and volume, insisted on femininity and analyzed structure as he lined up the 149 females. He found what he was looking for when Jerry Fitzgerald led out this lady.

"The question often surfaces as to how big is big enough," he commented, "but when you get them this big and correct and complete, we don't need to worry about how big."

And if there was any doubt about her popularity, it was erased at the Centennial Angus Sale following the bull show. One-half flush of six confirmed pregnancies (she was bred to Dr Spock) earned a bid of \$60,000 from Belle Point Ranch, Lavaca, Ark.

THE WINNERS

iseum, the yards and the auction arena. Perhaps not everyone agreed on the winners, but one thought was unanimous—the Angus folks put on a good show.

Bob Tallman, respected rodeo announcer, helped honor the American Angus Assn.'s 100th birthday in a moving opening ceremony. He reflected on the accomplishments of the Angus breed over the past century, and reminded cattlemen of the many things for which we have to be thankful.

Competition was tough—it was rewarding just to have been a part, and the winners earned their glory. Champions are pictured here, but congratulations go to all who helped make Denver 1983 such a success

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RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL Pine Drive Big Sky

Exhibited by Leroy Billman, Ostrander, Ohio; Premier Angus Inc., Cloverdale, Ind.; and Big Sky Associates. This 7-4-80 son of LEMAR Eileenmere Lad 549 weighing in at 2,172 lb. has quite an impressive track record. Popular champion at the Ohio, Indiana and Illinois State Fairs, he also won reserve grand honors at the North American International in November. His dam is Benlock Blackcap 108K, a cow whose power was proven when Pine Drive Big Sky teamed up with his full sister to win the produce of Jam award at the 1982 All-American Angus Breeders' Futurity. Bred by 19-year-old Leroy Billman, this bull has promise of going down in history with other breed greats.



FEMALES

Junior Calf Champion: Graham and Garney on Grahams Lucky Lady.
Reserve Junior Calf Champion: Erdmann and Baldrige on Wetonkas Erica 233P.

Senior Calf Champion: Morrison and Premier Beef on Premier 7X Heiress.

Reserve Senior Calf Champion: Lovana and B&L on Lovana Keepsake B421.

Intermediate Champion: Dye and Weaver on Double Dye Lady Diana KG.

Reserve Intermediate Champion: Jolly Roger on CW Duchess Pride 81-2.

Junior Champion: Windy Acres, Lovana, Picket Fence, Abacus and Skou on Windac Class 1752.

Reserve Junior Champion: Judson Baldrige on Baldrige Queen 761.

Grand Champion: Windy Acres, Lovana, Picket Fence, Abacus and Skou on Windac Class 1752.

Reserve Grand Champion: Morrison and Premier Beef on Premier 7X Heiress.

BULLS

Junior Calf Champion: Erdmann, S/2, Leo's and Baldrige on Crackerjack Brutus 512.

Reserve Junior Calf Champion: Bell, Dunbar, Dunipace, Premier Angus, B&L and Silveiras on Greenbrae Chairman.

Senior Calf Champion: Snider Bros. and Dozier on R&J Transformer 2371.

Reserve Senior Calf Champion: Bomford and Garney on Enforcer.

Intermediate Champion: Summitcrest, Premier Beef and O'Neill on Premier Independence KN.

Reserve Intermediate Champion: White Hall on White Hall Walhallo 371.

Junior Champion: Zehr and Weaver on ZAF Administrator 131.

Reserve Junior Champion: K&K, Fairfield and Harmon on QLC Winchester.

Senior Champion: Huckfeldt-Krebs, Bear Creek and Gold Block on High Voltage.

Reserve Senior Champion: Billman, Premier Angus and Big Sky Associates on Pine Drive Big Sky.

Grand Champion: Huckfeldt-Krebs, Bear Creek and Gold Block on High Voltage.

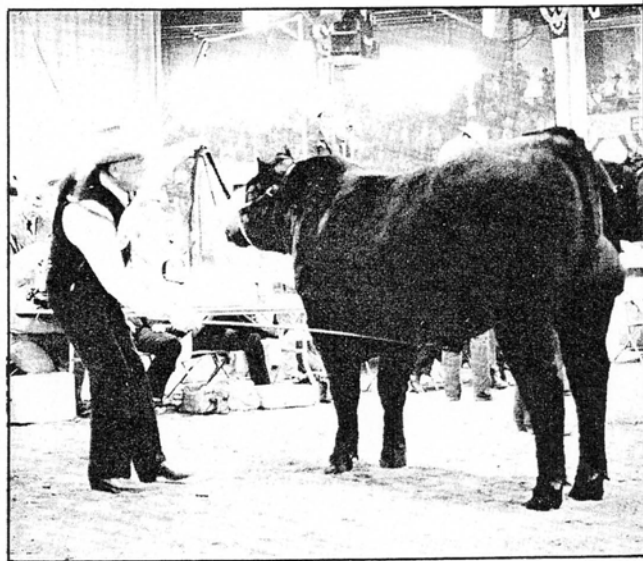
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GROUPS

Get-of-Sire: Quirk, Robinson, Fairfield, Harmon and K&K on Fairfield Hi Guy.

Junior Get-of-Sire: Huckfeldt-Krebs on High Voltage.

Best Six Head: Quirk.



Quality ran deep throughout the show—to win a class was not an easy feat. This pair of heifers (top) was switched before class 12 left the ring, but Greenbrae Chairman (left) and White Hall Walhallo 371 both earned blue ribbons.



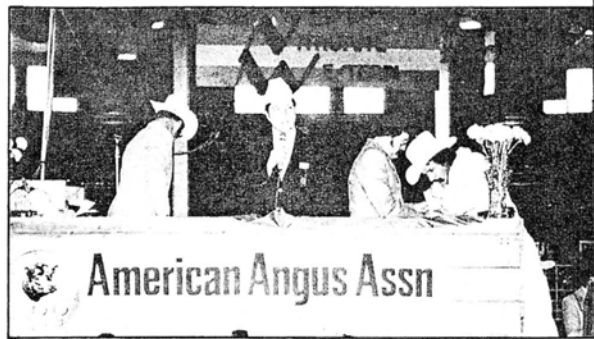
**RESERVE GRAND ·
CHAMPION FEMALE
Premier 7X Heiress**

Exhibited by Premier Beer Cattle, Fowlerville, Mich., and Larry Morrison, Sultan, Wash. Premier 7X Heiress, a daughter of Sir Wms Warrant, was bred and produced at Premier as a direct result of embryo transfer. Her mother, Dreamboat Heiress (a Thomas Chaps' daughter), was also shown in Denver where she stood second as a junior heifer calf. Premier 7X Heiress was a class winner at the North American International, making this 9-2-81 heifer undefeated in class. A flush from her was an attraction in the Centennial Female Sale, selling for \$23,000 to Bert Skou, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

THE CENTENNIAL KICKOFF



The Association's Centennial year got under way in grand style—Brian McCulloch (above), director of junior activities, sang the national anthem and Bob Tallman (below), well-known rodeo announcer, offered a few moving words to all cattlemen.



Dick Spader, executive vice president of the Association, welcomed the crowd to the 1983 National Angus Show. Miss American Angus, Kathy Day, (pictured below with Tallman), was on hand to present many of the special Centennial plaques and belt buckles.



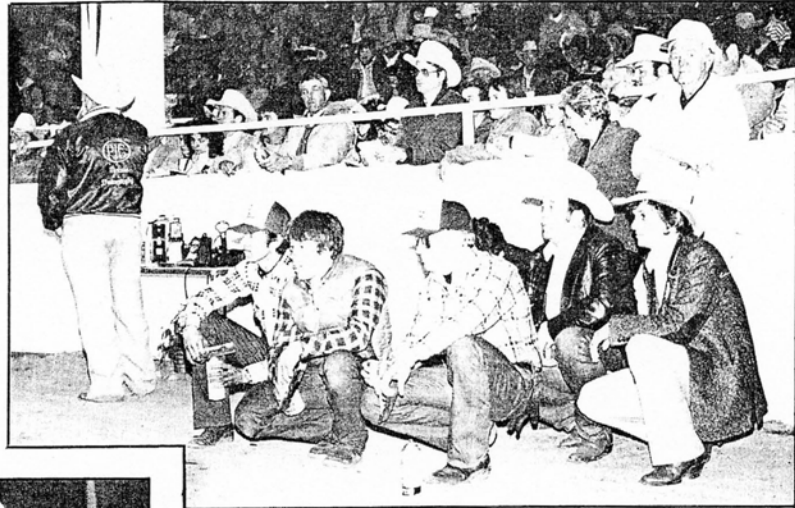
The American flag was carried in for the impressive opening ceremonies by Lois Sylvester (daughter of National Western manager Charles Sylvester); Nancy Stockstill (representing Frontier Airlines) accompanied her with the Association's Centennial flag.



CATTELMEN GATHER



LeRoy Erdmann, Wetonka, S.D., and Eddie Sydenstricker, Mexico, Mo., had special interest in a few cattle that went through the ring.



This crew was pleased when High Voltage earned the senior and grand champion slaps from Hillman.



A hearty thank-you is given to George Becker, Angus breeder for 36 years at Blue Top Angus Farm, Enderlin, N.D., by Dick Spader, Association executive vice president. George's purchase of the donated heifer in the Centennial Angus Sale put \$20,000 into the Angus Foundation Fund for use toward junior activities.



"Do you remember the time . . . ?" In the warm sunshine of the yards Myron Fuerst, Rhinebeck, N.Y., chews over some earlier Angus days with Dale Runion, ANGUS JOURNAL general manager.



Pennsylvanians Diane Krause and Herman Purdy talked about a recent ANGUS JOURNAL story when they met at ringside.



Gary Dye and son Kent, Shelbina, Mo., waited for the championship lineup with intermediate winner Double Dye Lady Diana KG.



The lead-off bull of Slagle's winning carload wore a special eartag. "Ace of Spades" sold to Vermilion Ranch, Billings, Mont., after the group captured the champion banner.



Royalty was in abundance for the American Angus Assn.'s Centennial show.