Association Highlights

- Scholarship opportunities for Angus youth
- Start planning for NJAS and LEAD Conference
- Deadline for Pathfinder records is Feb. 15

2000 National Angus Conference

The Association's 2000 National Angus Conference and tour is set for Sept. 25-27 in Lexington, Ky. As in years past, a two-day tour, this year hosted by the Kentucky Angus Association, will be offered with the conference, which will feature speakers from all segments of the beef industry.

This year's conference program has been reduced from two days to one. Check upcoming issues of the *Angus Journal* for a schedule and additional information on this great event.

Explore the 2001 World Angus Forum

It's not too soon to begin planning your trip to the 2001 World Angus Forum. Explore the home of the breed as the Aberdeen-Angus Cattle Society will host the event in Scotland June 12-July 5, 2001.

The American Angus Association will offer travel packages to the Forum, similar to those offered in past years. Pre-Forum and post-Forum tours will be offered as packages, which will include travel and accommodations.

Exact details and prices should be available soon and will appear in future issues of the *Angus Journal*. Terry Steele, Anchors Away Cruises and Tours, is making arrangements for the U.S. delegation. For more information, call him directly at 1-800-527-8666, Ext. 203.

Scholarship opportunities for Angus youth

Involvement in the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) is not only a great educational opportunity and a lot of fun, but it also qualifies many young Angus enthusiasts for college scholarships. The American Angus Auxiliary, the Angus Foundation, the Certified Angus Beef (CAB) Program and the NJAA award scholarships to deserving NJAA members every year.

The Auxiliary awards 10 scholarships annually, five to males and five to females who are graduating high-school seniors. Recipients are chosen from application forms that can be obtained from state Angus Auxiliary scholarship chairpersons (see the Auxiliary Yearbook 2000 insert for a list) or

from Jane Ebert, national scholarship chairwoman, at (336) 731-4974; e-mail: eberlee@lexcominc.net. The national application deadline is May 25, 2000.

The Angus Foundation will award \$20,000 in college scholarships to 17 deserving Angus juniors. The Foundation's scholarship program offers 15 scholarships of \$1,000 each and two \$2,500 scholarships to young people who are active in the Angus breed. Applicants must be a junior, regular or lifetime member of the Association, a graduating high-school senior or currently enrolled in college and not more than 25 years of age. For more information or to request an application, call the Junior Activities Department at (816) 383-5100. Application deadline is May 15, 2000.

Applications for the CAB Program/NJAA scholarship are also available from the Association's Junior Activities Department. Graduating high-school seniors or those enrolled in a college or university for the fall term are eligible for the award. Primary course work must be animal science, meat or food science, agricultural communications or a related field of study. Applicants must have been a member (junior, life or regular) of the American Angus Association. Application deadline is May 15, 2000.

Western Regional deadlines

Juniors planning to show cattle at the Western Regional Junior Angus Show have little time to meet show deadlines. The ownership deadline is Feb. 15, and the entry deadline is March 1. Remember, these are the dates that applications for transfer and entries must be postmarked. **Absolutely no late entries** will be accepted for any reason.

Entry forms for the Western Regional have been mailed by the Association, so if you haven't received yours, call the Junior Activities Department soon. The Western Regional will be held April 14-17, 2000, in Reno, Nev., in conjunction with the Western National Angus Futurity.

NJAA on the Internet

Be sure to check out the NJAA's Internet home page the next time you surf the Web. The site can be found at www.angus.org/njaa

or can be accessed by going to the Association's Web site at *www.angus.org* and clicking on the NJAA link.

The site includes information about junior programs and activities and a list of the NJAA Board of Directors, plus much, much more.

Start planning for NJAS

It's not too soon for juniors and their parents to begin planning for the 2000 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS), which is set for July 11-15 in Des Moines, Iowa.

"Tracking the New Millennium" is the theme for the five-day event, which focuses on junior competition, learning and development, inside and outside the showring. Not only is the NJAS the biggest Angus event held throughout the year, it is also the largest single-breed beef cattle show in the world.

Look for a complete show schedule and hotel information in the May 2000 issue of the *Angus Journal* or in the Spring 2000 issue of the *Directions* newsletter. You can also link to the Iowa Junior Angus Association's special 2000 NJAS Web site by accessing the NJAA home page mentioned previously.

LEAD Conference goes to Fort Collins

The NJAA will hold its annual Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) Conference in Fort Collins, Colo., Aug. 3-6. Juniors ages 14-21 are eligible to attend the conference, which focuses on leadership, personal development and industry education.

For more information, check out the Spring 2000 issue of the *Directions* newsletter or watch future issues of the *Angus Journal*.

Pathfinder records deadline

The deadline to submit records to the Performance Programs Department to be included in the *2000 Pathfinder Report* is Feb. 15.

Gloria Hurlbut and the rest of the Performance Programs Department appreciates your cooperation in getting Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) data into the office as early as possible.

Double-check credit-card payments to the Association

Breeders who pay fees for Association work with a Visa or MasterCard should double-check their account numbers and make sure the expiration dates are listed on the forms before mailing. Members often make errors when copying the account number and forget to list the expiration date. Having this information and making sure it is correct are imperative for the completion of work in a timely manner.

Association can help with junior transfers

If you know of a junior member who has purchased a heifer to show and has not received the transfer papers, and the ownership deadlines for a specific show are fast approaching, the Association can help. Contact the office at least two weeks prior to the show's ownership deadline. Every effort will be made to get the transfer processed in time. Remember, however, late transfers are never accepted, regardless of the reason.

E-mail updates and tips

More and more breeders are making requests and communicating with the Association via e-mail. If you have an e-mail address that the Association can add to your membership records, please let us know. With the implementation of the new RODEO computer system, the Association can now store and use your e-mail address for business correspondence. Contact Barbara Kelly with your address at bkelly@angus.org, or call her at (816) 383-5100.

Remember, when sending an e-mail request to the Association or to the Angus Journal, please include your postal address, phone number and member code. This information will help eliminate errors and will allow employees to process your request more quickly.

We've got your picture

Photos of show-winning animals and award presentations taken by Association representatives are kept on file with the Department of Communications and Public Relations at the Association and at the *Angus Journal*. If you're wanting a copy of a photo taken this past summer, or maybe even 10 years ago, a phone call to the Association is all it takes. Here are a few guidelines to follow when making a photo request.

Ask for the public relations department when ordering black-and-white photographs for sale books, junior scrapbooks, etc., that were taken at an Angus event by a regional manager or another Association representative. If the photo is of an animal, the event where it was taken and the award the animal won are important things to know. Photos are also filed by animal registration name and go back several years.

Black-and-white photos are provided with a minimal cost: 5×7 — \$7.50 first print, \$3.50 each additional print; 8×10 — \$10 first print, \$5 each additional print; 11×14 — \$15 first print, \$8 each additional print.

If ordering from color proofs received in the mail, ask for Donna Conley at the *Angus Journal*. Be sure to have your proof number ready. Cost of color photos from the *Angus Journal* will vary depending on size, type and special requirements. Please call 1-800-821-5478 for current pricing.

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CURRENT FEES

Following are the correct fees for various American Angus Association services. The major cause of work being delayed is many members do not send the correct amount of money with their work.

REGISTRATIONS

Applications for animals from birth to 4 months of age	\$7
Applications for animals from 4 to 10 months of age	\$9
Applications for animals 10 to 12 months of age	\$14
Applications for animals over 12 months of age	\$27

TRANSFERS

Applications received within 30 days from sale date	. \$5
Applications received 30 to 60 days from sale date	. \$7
Applications received after 60 days from sale date	\$12

MISCELLANEOUS

AHIR fee per weaning weight	
Al Service Certificate	
Regular Membership (subject to \$40 annual renewal dues)	
Junior Membership (under 21 years of age)	
Convert Junior to Regular Membership	
Embryo Calvesregular ı	registration fee plus \$10 per calf

Rules of the American Angus Association are included in the *Breeder's Reference Guide*. Copies are available free from the American Angus Association.