

The annual National Western Angus Bull Sale grossed \$153,250.

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Angus breeders consigned 30 bulls to the 2019 National Western Angus Bull Sale on Jan. 16 at the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver. The annual event, which is the only sale hosted by the American Angus Association[®], grossed \$153,250 and averaged \$5,108.

Prior to the sale, the group of bulls were judged by a three-person committee to make the sale order. The judges were: Lake Elliott, Adams, Tenn.; Joe Fischer, Sacramento, Calif.; and Landi McFarland-Livingston, Ellston, Iowa.

The grand champion bull, WAF Collusion 703, was consigned by Weaver Angus Farms, Edwards, Ill., and sold to Belle Point Ranch, Lavaca, Ark., for \$6,000. The April 2017 son of Vision Unanimous 1418 earlier won late junior champion.

Andrew Hodges, Montague, Texas, consigned the reserve grand champion bull, DAJS AH Explorer 308. The bull was bought by Phillip Bodjanac for \$6,000. The July 2016 son of Leachman Explorer first claimed senior champion.

The top-selling bull, 2K Patriot 298, was consigned by 2K Cattle Enterprises, Glen Haven, Wis. He was purchased for \$13,000 by Shandar Angus, Payson, Utah.

Cattlemen bought Angus bulls in Denver with confidence, as all consignments in the sale were required to have Angus Herd Improvement Records® (AHIR®), performance information and a complete set of genomically enhanced expected progeny differences (GE-EPDs).

Each bull ranked in the top 50% of the breed for non-parent bulls for at least five of the EPDs and \$Value Indexes that included calving ease direct (CED), birthweight (BW), weaning weight (WW), yearling weight (YW), maternal milk (Milk), scrotal circumference (SC), dollar weaning (\$W), ribeye area (RE), marbling (Marb) and dollar beef (\$B).

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GRAND CHAMPION



Grand champion bull WAF Collusion 703

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

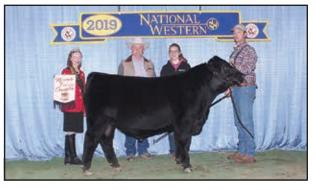


Reserve grand champion bull DAJS AH Explorer 308



Spring calf champion Dandy Acres Dually 35, by Dandy Acres, Pipestone, Minn.

BULLS



Reserve spring calf champion Spring Creeks Complete Turn, by Spring Creeks Cattle Co., Wauzeka, Wis.



Late winter calf champion Lakeview Confidence Plus, by Lake View Angus, Mead, Colo.



Reserve late winter calf champion LVS Sky High 1806, by Levisay Farms, Creston, Calif.

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Early winter calf champion Sankey's Weigh Up 803, by Chris & Sharon Sankey, Council Grove, Kan.



Reserve early winter calf champion Schroeder Reno 6986, by Schroeder Angus, Clarence, Iowa



Senior calf champion-Division 1 2K Patriot 298, by Kelsi Retallick, Glen Haven, Wis.



Reserve senior calf champion-Division 1 Marda Honor 850, by Marda Angus Farm, Lodi, Wis.



Senior calf champion-Division 2 Car Don Small Talk, by Bryce Hofing, Coatesville, Ind.



Reserve senior calf champion-Division 2 RRR-7 Oaks Colonel R0947, by Jason Schroeder, Durant, Iowa, and Reserve Rocking R Ranch, Morristown, Tenn.



Intermediate champion Marda General MacArthur 7158, by Marda Angus Farm



Reserve intermediate champion FB 5K Lancelot 7007, by Courtney Keaton, Anderson, Mo.



Reserve late junior champion K Bar D In Depth 23E, by K Bar D, Redmond, Ore.



Early junior champion SSR Discovery 2527, by Sugar Springs Ranch, Lincoln, Ark.



Reserve early junior champion Roseda Discovery E017, by Roseda Farm, Monkton, Md.