

Association Highlights

- Nominate your state delegates by June 30
- Many youth deadlines are approaching
- Five herds recognized with Historic Herd awards

AHIR records due June 2

June 2 is the deadline for submitting performance records to the American Angus Association to affect data in the *Fall 2000 Sire Evaluation Report*. Information received after June 2 will not be included in the fall analysis. If you have questions, contact the Performance Programs Department.

Plan to attend National Angus Conference & Tour

Summer is just around the corner, and that means making plans to attend the 2000 National Angus Conference & Tour. The event is set for Sept. 25-27 in Lexington, Ky. "Angus — Setting the Pace for the Beef Industry" is the theme of the event, which will include a two-day tour and one-day conference program.

The Kentucky Angus Association will host the tour, which will showcase the state's rich history in registered Angus cattle and its prominence in the horse-racing industry. Look for more information in upcoming issues.

Nominate Annual Meeting delegates now

It's time to nominate delegates to represent your state at the 2000 American Angus Association Annual Meeting set for Nov. 13 in Louisville, Ky.

Each Association member may nominate one member. All eligible nominations will be included on a state ballot that will be mailed to members. Nominations must be received by June 30, but don't wait. You've already received a nomination petition.

It's important to nominate a person who is willing to attend the Annual Meeting and who is informed about the Angus business. That person could be you. If that's the case, don't hesitate to nominate yourself.

Angus youth deadlines approaching

A full summer of Angus junior activities is planned for members of the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA). With these many events come many deadlines, so please read on so you or your children won't miss out.

April 15 is the ownership and entry deadline for the Atlantic National Regional

Preview Junior Angus Show, Timonium, Md. For information, contact Greg Krueger at (610) 486-6376.

There are several May 1 and May 15 deadlines you won't want to miss.

MAY 1

NJAA Honorary Angus Foundation.

This honor goes to persons who have shown extraordinary interest in and support of junior members and junior activities. Up to three persons may be honored each year. Send nominations to the Junior Activities Department.

Advisor of the Year. This award honors the dedication and contributions of those who advise junior Angus associations. The award goes to an individual or couple. Any junior Angus association may nominate. Contact the Junior Activities Department.

Ownership deadlines for the Eastern Regional, Lebanon, Ohio; the Northwest Regional Preview, Filer, Idaho; and the Southwest Regional Preview, Tyler, Texas.

MAY 15

Entry deadlines for the Eastern Regional, Southwest Regional Preview and Northwest Regional Preview. Contact the Association if you need entry blanks. Entries must be postmarked on or before May 15. No exceptions.

Angus Foundation scholarships. The Angus Foundation is offering \$20,000 in college scholarships, two for \$2,500 and 15 for \$1,000. Applications are due May 15. Call the Junior Activities Department for more information or an application. Applications are also available on the Internet at www.angus.org.

CAB Program/NJAA Scholarship. The Certified Angus Beef (CAB) Program and NJAA offer a \$1,000 scholarship. The scholarship is available to a current life, regular or junior member who at one time was an NJAA member and who is a college sophomore, junior or senior majoring in animal science, meat science, food science, agricultural communications or a related field of study. Applications are available from the Junior Activities Department or on the Internet.

National Junior Angus Show (NJAS).

Ownership deadline for the NJAS is May 15. To be eligible to show, animals must be transferred to the junior exhibitor on or before this date. Late transfers are not accepted. Entry deadline is June 1.

Association can help with junior transfers

Juniors who have not received the transfer paper on a purchased heifer should contact the Association at least two weeks prior to the ownership deadline of a particular show. The staff will make every attempt to get the animal transferred on time. Keep in mind that late transfers for the national, eastern and western regionals and regional preview shows are never accepted.

E.M. Holt & Sons named historic herd

The Association recognized E.M. Holt and Sons, Weimer, Texas, as a Historic Angus Herd in honor of 50 continuous years in the registered Angus business.

E.M. Holt & Sons was established in 1949 by E.M. Holt Sr. and his wife, Dora. The original purchase of five registered Angus cows and a herd bull was to raise females for their sons, E.M. Holt Jr. and James Holt, to show as FFA projects. These foundation cattle were purchased from Cliff Ramby, Montgomery, Texas, and Tim Pierce, Creston, Ill.

Through the years, additional females were purchased, and the Holts enrolled in the Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) program to improve the herd. E.M. Holt Jr. assumed management of the operation in the late 1950s and owns the herd today, which includes 85 registered Angus cows and 50 replacement heifers.

Lazy S Bar Angus Ranch earns Historic Herd Award

Wayne "Doc" and Evelyn Smith, Winigan, Mo., have been presented with the Historic Angus Herd Award by the American Angus Association. Their operation, Lazy S Bar Angus Ranch, has been in the continuous production of Angus cattle since 1947.

Doc purchased his first Angus heifer as an FFA project from C.L. Martin, Kirksville, Mo., for \$125. In 1952 he married Evelyn Young, whose family also raised Angus cattle, and a lifelong partnership was formed.

They maintained their herd through the years and used both natural herd sires and artificial insemination (AI). In 1979 Doc gave up his veterinary practice to become the Missouri Angus Association's fieldman. He still serves in that role today, in addition to his and Evelyn's maintaining a herd of more than 100 Angus cows.

Jerry Hunziker earns Historic Herd Award

Jerry Hunziker, Hurdland, Mo., has been recognized for his 50 continuous years in the registered Angus business with the Association's Historic Angus Herd Award. In recognition of this honor, he has been presented with a certificate signed by the president of the Association.

The Hunziker herd was founded in the fall of 1949 by Jerry and his father, Henry Hunziker. The foundation cows were purchased from Culver Stockton College, Canton, Mo., and the Penney and James herd, Hamilton, Mo.

Jerry Hunziker continues to own and manage the herd today.

Historic Herd designation goes to Kenneth Bechtum & family

The Association recognized Kenneth Bechtum and family, Riceville, Iowa, as a Historic Angus Herd. The Bechtums established Oakwood Angus in 1940.

Kenneth and his father, Fred Bechtum, purchased their first Angus cows from Allison Miles, Riceville, Iowa, to establish a foundation. Additional cows were purchased from Mike Mauer, Storyville, Iowa. The Bechtums purchased a scale in 1963 and enrolled in the AHIR program. Through the years they've continued to progress with AI, collecting carcass data and using ultrasound to determine carcass merit. Bulls are sold to commercial producers with emphasis on fertility, performance, carcass traits and calving ease.

Kenneth Bechtum currently manages the herd of 80 registered Angus cows that he and his family own.

Skinner Angus Ranch recognized as Historic Herd

The Association recognized Skinner Angus Ranch, Salmon, Idaho, for 50 continuous years in the registered Angus business.

Ray and Rubie Skinner purchased 10 registered Angus cows in 1949 from Webb Stoddard, bringing some of the earliest Angus cattle to the Lemhi Valley. Raising all their female replacements, the Skinners purchased only bulls to add desired traits to the herd. Yearling bulls from the ranch had been sold private treaty to producers in Lemhi County and Montana until 1996 when they hosted their first production sale.

Ray Skinner was active in many organizations and recognized by his peers for his contributions to the livestock industry. He passed away in 1996. Today Skinner Angus Ranch, which is operated by Rubie Skinner and her son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Judy Skinner, maintains 150 Angus cows.



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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	\$3
AI Service Certificate	\$10
Regular Membership (subject to \$40 annual renewal dues)	\$50
Junior Membership (under 21 years of age)	\$20
Convert Junior to Regular Membership	\$45
Embryo Calves regular 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.