

Association Highlights

- **Amarillo to host National Angus Conference**
- **Make plans now to attend 1999 NJAS**
- **Don't forget to return delegate nominations**

AHIR deadline is June 1

June 1 is the deadline for submitting performance records to the American Angus Association that can affect bulls listed in the fall *Sire Evaluation Report*. Information received after June 1 will not be included in the fall report. If you have questions, contact the Performance Programs Department.

Plan now to attend National Conference

Plans are being finalized for the 1999 National Angus Conference and tour in Amarillo, Texas. Registration materials will be mailed next month to active members and to nonmember bull buyers in Texas and surrounding states, or they can be requested by contacting Linda Campbell at the Association.

The tour, set for Sept. 8-9, is co-sponsored by the Greater West Texas Angus Association and the Texas Angus Association. This two-day showcase of the Texas Panhandle will take participants from commercial and purebred cow-calf producers to marketing the end product.

The first day, which is Wednesday, Sept. 8, will include stops at JA Cattle Co., Claude; B3R Country Meats, Childress; and Abraham Ranch, Canadian.

Thursday, Sept. 9, the group will travel to Hales Angus Farm, Canyon; Lust-Dodd Angus, Lazbuddie; Olson Cattle Co., Hereford; Randall County Feeders, Canyon; the Palo Duro Canyon and the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum, Canyon.

The conference, which is titled "Angus in the New Millennium," will offer something for both purebred and commercial producers.

A highlight of the conference will be the keynote address by Tom Field of Colorado State University. Other speakers will include representatives from purebred and commercial operations, packing and value-added product development, as well as an update from the Certified Angus Beef (CAB) Program Supply Development Team.

Even though registration materials for the conference and tour aren't available yet, please feel free to reserve your hotel room. Headquarters will be the Radisson Inn, Amarillo Airport. Room cost is \$62 plus tax for one or two people, and reservations can be made by calling (806) 373-3303.

Look for more information on both the conference and the tour in the Herd Reference Edition of the *Angus Journal*.

NJAS is fun for all

It's that time of year again. Time for Angus families across the United States to load the trailer and head to the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS). Tulsa, Okla., will be the site for this year's event, which is set for July 8-12.

If you've never attended this event, this year is a great opportunity. Whether you have children or not, the NJAS is a hotbed of enthusiasm for the Angus breed and a great opportunity to meet friends, both new and old, and to learn more about what's going on in the Angus business.

Juniors will exhibit heifers, bulls, cow-calf pairs and steers. There is a carcass contest with special emphasis on meeting *Certified Angus Beef*[™] specifications. State junior Angus associations compete in a special team sales competition. Another highlight for the week is the Auxiliary-sponsored *Certified Angus Beef* Cook-Off.

Angus youth will also participate in public speaking, poster design, graphic design, photography and state junior association scrapbook contests.

The 33rd National Junior Angus Showmanship contest will also be held. This is where state showmanship winners compete for the national honor of "top showman."

All competitive events, except the Cook-Off, will be held at the Tulsa State Fairgrounds.

For more information, including reserved blocks of rooms at nearby hotels, refer to pages 175-177 in this issue.

Auxiliary to present new Crystal Award

An addition to this year's NJAS will be the presentation of the Janet Castle Crystal Award by the American Angus Auxiliary. Two juniors, one boy and one girl, will earn the award through their participation in educational contests at the NJAS.

NJAA silent auction

As in years past, the NJAA will hold a silent auction during the NJAS in Tulsa. All proceeds from the auction will benefit the Angus Foundation, which supports youth, education and research for the Angus breed.

Many valuable items and collectibles will be up for grabs. Semen packages, pieces of fine art and Angus crafts are just a few of the treasures shoppers will find.

All state junior associations are encouraged to donate two items to the auction, but donations from individuals are also accepted. To donate an item or to get a more specific listing of items available, contact the Junior Activities Department.

LEAD Conference comes home

Junior Angus leaders will gather in St. Joseph, Mo., July 22-25, for the 1999 Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) Conference.

"Back to the Basics" is the theme for this year's event. Attendees will tour the American Angus Association and *Angus Journal* facilities and hear from present and past Association staff about Association history and programs, as well as meet new friends and have a lot of fun. Motivational speakers Stewart and Casey Kennedy will challenge juniors to be their best, and NJAA Board members will conduct a variety of educational and fun workshops.

Cost of the conference is \$175 for juniors and \$100 for adult advisors or chaperones. Get your spot reserved early because registration deadline is June 15. For more information or for registration materials, contact the Junior Activities Department.

May 15 deadlines for juniors

The ownership deadline for the NJAS is May 15. That's the date when all animals must be transferred into the individual junior exhibitor's name. The entry deadline for the show is June 1. No late transfers or entries will be accepted for any reason.

The entry deadline for the Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show in Clemson, S.C.; the North Central Regional Angus Preview Show in Springfield, Ill.; and the Northwest Regional Angus Preview Show in Kennewick, Wash., is May 15. Entries must be postmarked by the post office on or before this date.

May 15 is also the deadline to apply for the CAB Program/NJAA scholarship. Application blanks are available on the Association's Web site, www.angus.org, or from the Junior Activities Department.

Angus Foundation scholarship applications are due May 15. Two \$2,500 and 15 \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded by the Angus Foundation to deserving junior members. Applications can be obtained at www.angus.org or by calling the Junior Activities Department.

June-July junior deadlines

June 15 is the deadline for applicants who want to run for the NJAA Board of Directors. In addition, the names of state delegates to the annual meeting and election are due in to the Junior Activities Department June 15.

Names of state representatives to the National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest should be sent to the Association by June 21.

Outlines for speeches to be given at the NJAA public speaking contest and photographs for the NJAA/Angus Journal photography contest must be in the Association office by June 25.

Delegate nominations due soon

Members of the American Angus Association have until June 30 to return delegate nominating petitions, which were mailed earlier this spring. Members of the Association may nominate themselves or any other Association member from their state.

After June 30, all eligible nominations will be placed on a state ballot and mailed to all members for the election of delegates and alternate delegates to represent their states at the Annual Meeting of the American Angus Association, which will be Nov. 15 in Louisville, Ky. If you have questions, please contact the Association.

CAB Program to host Angus University

The CAB Program's Supply Development Team will host the first ever "Angus University" Aug. 16-17 in Bozeman, Mont. The two-day event will be geared toward commercial cow-calf producers who want to profitably apply Angus genetics and produce quality beef.

For more information, see page 50 of this issue or call Ron Bolze at (785) 462-6404.

NJAA updates Web site

Check out the newly revised NJAA home page at www.angus.org/njaa. New additions include junior show entry applications, pictures of NJAA activities and information about the NJAA.



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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	\$2
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.