

PERFORMANCE REPORT

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This column features the performance leaders in central bull tests hosted across the country. To access a state-by-state listing of central bull tests, visit our Virtual Library online at www.api-virtuallibrary.com/CentralBullTests.htm. The listing includes contact information, links to test websites, current test schedules and dates of upcoming tests.

Edisto Forage Bull Test 140-day report (May 4)

The Edisto Forage Bull Test is unique in that it is one of the only university-sponsored tests that is based on grazing only for the entire 168-day evaluation, with no grain or silage added. Conducted at the Edisto Research and Education Center near Blackville, S.C., it features divisions for senior bulls (born Dec. 1, 2019-Jan. 31, 2020) and junior bulls (born Feb. 1-March 31, 2020).

HIGH-ADG ANGUS Lot 21053; owner: Rose Myrtle Farm, Ken Currie, Bishopville, S.C.; sire: Byergo Black Magic; ADG: 3.35 lb.; WDA: 2.24 lb.; wt.: 1,272 lb.; test index: 5.59

HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 21025; owner: Redwol Farm; sire: Champion Hill Int. 2020 6824; ADG: 1.59 lb.; WDA: 2.68 lb.; wt. 1,374 lb.; test index: 4.27

OVERALL AVERAGES (78 HEAD) ADG: 2.39 lb.; WDA: 2.28 lb.; wt.: 1,086 lb.

Final weights are scheduled for June 1. Qualifying bulls will sell in the test sale Oct. 9.

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Connors State College Bull Test Announcement

Connors State College has announced the schedule for its Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 bull evaluations, to be conducted at the

Connors State College campus at Warner, Okla. Bulls are fed a full-gain, high-concentrate ration.

Birth dates eligible for the fall test are Sept. 1-Nov. 30, 2020. Bulls will be received July 8-10 and weighed on test July 22. Interim weights will be observed Aug. 19, Sept. 16, and Oct. 14, with final weights recorded Nov. 11. The test sale is scheduled to be hosted Dec. 2.

Bulls eligible for the spring test were born Jan. 1-March 30, 2021. Delivery of the bulls is scheduled Dec. 2-Dec. 5, and on-test weights will be observed Dec. 9. Additional weights will be recorded Jan. 6, Feb. 3, and March 3, 2022. Final weights will be recorded March 31, and the test sale will take place April 14.

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Un. of Tennessee Central Bull Test Announcement

The University of Tennessee has announced the schedule for its 2021-2022 UT Senior Bull Test, conducted at Spring Hill, Tenn. The test will feature bulls born Sept. 1-Dec. 15, 2020, and will be based on a full-gain, high-concentrate ration. Nominations are due July 16.

The bulls will be received Aug.

10 and weighed on test Aug. 23-24. Interim weights are scheduled Sept. 21 and Oct. 19, with final weights to be recorded Nov. 15-16. The test sale is scheduled for Jan. 13, 2022.

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MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program Announcement

The Michigan Cattlemen's Ass'n (MCA) and Michigan State University (MSU) have announced the schedule for the 2021-2022 MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program. The 34th annual evaluation will be conducted at the Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich. To be eligible, bulls must have been born Sept. 1, 2020-March 31, 2021.

The bulls on test will be fed a high-fiber, moderate-energy ration designed to allow for an average daily gain of 3.4 lb.

Delivery of the bulls will be Oct. 8-9, and on-test weights are to be recorded Oct. 21-22. Additional weights are scheduled to be observed Nov. 19, Dec. 17, and Jan. 14, with final weights scheduled Feb. 10-11. The test sale will be hosted March 19.

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