

ASSOCIATION HIGHLIGHTS

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Look for delegate ballots

Ballots to elect delegates and alternates to the 2022 Annual Convention of Delegates will be mailed July 8, 2023.

Active life and regular members who qualified as eligible voting members will receive a ballot for their state/district.

The deadline to receive signed ballots in the Association office is Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2023, by 4:30 p.m. CDT. Ballots received after the deadline will not be counted.

For more information, see Article III Section 3.8. Election of Delegates in the Association bylaws.

Candidate résumés

Association members seeking election to the Board of Directors of the American Angus Association may send a short biography, along with a photo, to Editor Julie Mais by Aug. 1.

At a glance

July	
1-8	National Junior Angus Show, Guardians of the Plains
3-6	Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) Annual Meeting and Research Symposium
4	Angus Foundation Golf Tournament
15	Inventory Reporting enrollment ends
August	
22-23	Feeding Quality Forum
November	
3-6	Angus Convention in Orlando, Fla.

Biographies and photos submitted by the deadline will be published in the October *Angus Journal*, prior to the election at the Annual Meeting in November. Biographies should be approximately 500-700 words and will be shortened if necessary.

2023 National Junior Angus Show live coverage



Can't fit time with the "Guardians of the Plains" at the 2023 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) into your schedule? The NJAS will be hosted in Grand Island, Neb., the first week of July. If you are unable to attend, live coverage of the show is available at www.waltonwebcasting.com.

For a complete class list, contest details or more information on show programs, visit www.njas.info.

Inventory Reporting enrollment ends July 15

Inventory Reporting enrollment for Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR®) is open from May 1 to July 15.

The fee is \$2 for each female enrolled. This fee covers the AHIR reporting cost for the next calf crop. Annual requirements for each female enrolled in the program include reporting a calf (birth date, sex, dam information), a reason for no calf or a disposal code if the cow left the herd.

For members enrolling for the first

time, current herd inventory can be established within your AAA Login account. For members who enrolled last year during this time period, your inventory needs updated and all females to meet requirements to reenroll. For members who enrolled in July, now is a good time to enter the fall calving information for the females in your herd. For those interested in MaternalPlus®, weaning weights and heifer breeding records are also required.

All members enrolled in the Inventory Reporting option will have the opportunity to earn the MaternalPlus designation.

In addition, members who are enrolled in the Inventory Reporting program will receive the Functional Longevity research expected progeny difference (EPD) when released.

For more information call 816-383-5100 or email angus@angus.org.

Angus Foundation Silent Auction

The 2023 Angus Foundation Silent Auction will be hosted July 3-8 at the NJAS in Grand Island, Neb.

The silent auction features a variety of items donated by state junior and adult Angus associations, individual farms and businesses. Proceeds from the silent auction go to the Angus Foundation, which supports education, youth and research activities of the American Angus Association.

Those attending the NJAS, be sure to stop by the Angus Foundation Silent Auction and place your bid.

The Angus Foundation Silent Auction will be offering online

bidding through AngusLive again this year. Be sure to check on the Angus Foundation website or AngusLive for the link closer to the date of sale. The auction will close July 8 at 9 a.m.

Individual donations to the silent auction are accepted year-round. Call 816-383-5100 to let the Angus Foundation know about your silent auction items.

More than \$80,000 raised on Angus Day of Giving

May 17, 1873, Scottish Angus breeder George Grant settled in Victoria, Kan., with the first four Angus bulls to be brought to the United States. In the 150 years since they arrived on the prairie, the breed has built an impressive legacy in the beef industry.

The Angus Foundation celebrated its third annual Angus Day of Giving, resulting in more than \$80,000 being raised. This money will go towards unrestricted funds for the Angus Foundation to support the organization's mission and help to ensure the Angus legacy continues.

These efforts were made alongside the Angus Foundation's Legacy Built campaign, which asks donors to contribute \$150 to sustain the Angus legacy. The campaign will continue throughout 2023, with the goal of reaching 1,000 donations by Dec. 31. Association members can donate through the Angus Foundation website, mailing a check to the Angus Foundation or by making a monthly pledge during Angus events.

For more information about the Ranchers' Revelry event in Berryville, Va., which raised an additional \$80,000 of unrestricted funds for the Angus Foundation, go to page 56.

For more information about the Angus Foundation and its mission, visit www.AngusFoundation.org.

Explore the 2023 Angus Convention



Hosted with the 140th Annual Convention of Delegates, this year's Angus Convention is set for Nov. 3-6, in Orlando, Fla., at Rosen Shingle Creek. The event offers hands-on education, face-to-face networking and entertainment.

Angus University workshops allow cattlemen to learn ideas they can take home to their own operations. Social events throughout the event offer opportunity to chat with peers from across the country and gain a fresh, new perspective. Families can also explore Orlando, with a variety of theme parks, robust dining scene, mega outlet shopping malls, outdoor recreation and local history.

Booth information is available at www.angusconvention.com. Registration and hotel blocks will open July 1.

For more information, visit www.angusconvention.com.

BIF Symposium

The 2023 Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) Annual Meeting and Research Symposium is set for July 3-6 in Calgary, Alta., Canada.

Visit <https://beefimprovement.org/> symposium prior to the conference for details, including a meeting schedule and online registration.

Watch for news pertinent to Angus seedstock and commercial cattlemen in the *Angus Journal*, *Angus Beef Bulletin*, *AJ Daily*, *Angus Beef Bulletin EXTRA* and at www.angusjournal.net.

Feeding Quality Forum

Registration is now open for this year's Feeding Quality Forum, to be hosted Aug. 22-23, 2023, at the Graduate Lincoln hotel in Lincoln, Neb. Hosted by Certified Angus Beef, Feeding Quality Forum brings the latest production trends and solutions to generate greater revenue for cattle feeders and cow-calf producers.

Registration is \$250 from July 1 to Aug. 4. Student registration is \$50. Visit www.FeedingQualityForum.com to register.

EPDs and \$Values updated

Updates to National Cattle Evaluation online and expected progeny differences (EPDs) and dollar value indexes were released June 2.

These include updated percentile tables, breed averages, revised main and supplement sire listings, and genomic percentile ranks. In addition, the Association, with the guidance of Angus Genetics Inc. (AGI), performed required maintenance on the genetic evaluation.

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CURRENT ASSOCIATION FEES

Following are the correct fees for various American Angus Association services. Be sure to send the correct amount of money with the work being requested, as incorrect payments are the main cause of delays.

REGISTRATIONS

Applications for animals less than 4 months of age.....	\$12
Applications for animals 4-10 months of age.....	\$14
Applications for animals 10-12 months of age.....	\$19
Applications for animals more than 12 months of age.....	\$32

TRANSFERS

Applications received less than 30 days from sale date.....	\$5
Applications received 30-60 days from sale date.....	\$7
Applications received more than 60 days from sale date.....	\$12

MISCELLANEOUS

Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) fee.....	\$3 <i>(per first weight submitted)</i>
Artificial insemination (AI) service certificate.....	\$10
Regular annual membership	\$80
Regular annual membership w/ <i>Angus Journal</i> subscription.....	\$130
Lifetime membership.....	\$1,500 <i>(optional to pay in three \$500/year installments)</i>
Junior annual membership <i>(less than 21 years of age)</i>	\$20
Embryo-transfer (ET) calf.....regular registration fee plus \$10	
Cell-clone transplant calf.....regular registration fee plus \$50	

DNA TESTING FEES

ANGUS GSSM POWERED BY NEOGEN[®]

Neogen [®] Angus GS SM <i>(includes Parentage)</i>	\$37
Add Genetic Condition Bundle <i>(includes AM, NH, CA, OS, DD, M1, D2, OH, and Coat Color)</i>	\$18
Add Coat Color.....	\$5
Add AM Test.....	\$8
Add NH Test.....	\$8
Add CA Test.....	\$8
Add OS Test.....	\$8
Add DD Test.....	\$10
Add M1 Test.....	\$10
Add OH Test.....	\$8
Add Dwarfism (D2) Test.....	\$10
Add BVD Test <i>(Hair or TSU Only)</i>	\$4.50

ZOETIS[®] GENOMIC TESTS

Zoetis [®] HD50K <i>(includes Parentage)</i>	\$37
Add Genetic Condition Bundle <i>(includes AM, NH, CA, OS, DD, M1, D2, OH, and Coat Color)</i>	\$18
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OTHER DNA TESTS

Parentage.....	\$18
Genetic Condition Bundle <i>(includes AM, NH, CA, OS, DD, M1, D2, OH, and Coat Color)</i>	\$45
Coat Color Test.....	\$18
Arthrogyposis Multiplex (AM) Test.....	\$22
Neuropathic Hydrocephalus (NH) Test.....	\$22
Contractural Arachnodactyly (CA) Test.....	\$22
Osteopetrosis (OS) Test.....	\$22
Developmental Duplication (DD) Test.....	\$22
Myostatin (M1) Test.....	\$22
Oculocutaneous Hypopigmentation (OH) Test.....	\$18
Dwarfism (D2) Test.....	\$22

BREEDER'S REFERENCE

Symbols are used with a registration number to denote important information about an animal.

SYMBOL MEANING

- # Pathfinder cow or Pathfinder sire
- + Embryo transfer calf
- ^ Cell clone
- % Split-ET
- @ Clone-ET
- * Parentage qualified to both parents and the mating

The American Angus Association currently recognizes the following genetic conditions:

CODE MEANING

AM	Arthrogyposis multiplex
CA	Contractural arachnodactyly
D2	PRKG2 gene mutation for dwarfism
DD	Developmental duplication
DM	Double muscling
DW	Dwarfism
HG	Horn gene
HI	Heterochromia irides
M1	nt821 mutation for double muscling
NH	Neuropathic hydrocephalus
OH	Oculocutaneous hypopigmentation
OS	Osteopetrosis
RD	Red gene
SN	Syndactyly
WT	Wild type color gene

The following single-letter descriptors appearing after a genetic condition code shall have the following meaning:

- P - refers to a "potential" carrier based on an ancestor known to carry that specific mutation.
- F - refers to an animal tested for one or more genetic conditions and determined to be "free" of that specific mutation.
- C - refers to an animal tested for one or more genetic conditions and determined to be a "carrier" of that specific mutation.
- A - refers to an animal tested for one or more genetic conditions and determined to be a carrier of two copies of that specific mutation. It may or may not exhibit the phenotype associated with that genetic condition.

The following letter designations describe cases in which there is more than one genetic condition present:

- XF - Free of more than one genetic condition.
- XC - Carrier of more than one genetic condition.
- XA - Affected of more than one genetic condition.
- RTF - Recessive trait free (produced 35 or more calves from daughters without a genetic defect).

Rules of the American Angus Association are included in the Breeder's Reference Guide. Free copies are available from the Association. An online version is available through the "Rules and Forms" link at www.angus.org.

Don't miss the conversation



Mark your calendars for a new season of *The Angus Conversation*. The first episode of season 3 is set to drop August 15, with a few special episodes being released in the summer months prior.

The first of these summer editions was published June 9, featuring coverage of the June meeting of the American Angus Association Board of Directors.

Go to www.theangusconversation.com or any major podcast platform to check out past episodes from seasons 1 and 2. From bovine congestive heart failure to gene editing, there's plenty of conversation about Angus industry hot topics for you to join in while you wait for season 3.

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- "Tips to Prevent a Biological Time Bomb" with Jody Wade, Boehringer Ingelheim

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