

PERFORMANCE REPORT

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This column features the performance leaders in central bull tests hosted across the country.

IBEP Summer 2022 Bull Test 28-day report (June 14)

Bulls born April 1-Sept. 30, 2021, were received at the test station April 26 for the Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Summer 2022 Bull Test.

HIGH-ADG AND HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS Lot 45; owner: Halls Angus, Eddyville, Ill.; sire: Connealy Blackhawk 6198; ADG: 4.32 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 3.25 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; index: 127

HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 2; owner: Jay Alcorn, Greencastle, Ind.; sire: Deer Valley Growth Fund; ADG: 2.96 lb.; ADG ratio: 96; WDA: 3.56 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; index: 105

HIGH-ADG, HIGH-WDA AND HIGH-INDEXING GET-OF-SIRE Three bulls; owners: Bennett Angus, Eddyville, Ill., and Halls Angus; sire: Connealy Blackhawk 6198; avg. ADG: 3.73 lb.; avg. ADG ratio: 120; avg. WDA: 3.40 lb.; avg. WDA ratio: 113; avg. wt.: 980 lb.; avg. index: 117

ANGUS AVERAGES (29 HEAD) ADG: 3.10 lb.; WDA: 3.01 lb.; wt.: 881 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (62 HEAD) ADG: 3.05 lb.; WDA: 2.99 lb.; wt.: 898 lb.

Interim weights will be collected July 19 and Aug. 16. Final weights will be collected Sept. 18-19.

The bulls will be scanned for IMF, REA and BF; receive scores for claw set and foot angle; and be evaluated for disposition. Bulls must have successfully passed a breeding soundness exam (sometimes referred to as a BSE), be parent-verified to their sire and dam, and have genomic-enhanced EPDs to qualify for the sale to be hosted Oct. 15. Visitors are always welcome.

For more information, contact Nick Minton, beef systems specialist,

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Cal Poly Bull Test Report (June 20)

The 2022 Cal Poly Bull Test is now being conducted at the Cal Poly Beef Center, located north of San Luis Obispo, for bulls born Aug. 1-Oct. 31, 2021. Angus bulls will be indexed in groups for calving ease (CE), multi-trait (MT) and growth (GR).

HIGH-ADG CE ANGUS (TIE) Lot 48; owner: Westwind Ranch, Oroville, Calif.; sire: Poss Rawhide; ADG: 4.79 lb.; ADG ratio: 132; WDA: 3.7; wt.: 1,185 lb.; index: 123

HIGH-ADG (TIE) AND HIGH-INDEXING CE ANGUS Lot 99; owner: Borges Angus Ranch, Byron, Calif.; sire: Baldrige Alternative E125; ADG: 4.79 lb.; ADG ratio: 132; WDA: 3.85 lb.; wt.: 1,220 lb.; index: 125

HIGH-WDA CE ANGUS Lot 41; owner: Diablo Valley Angus, Byron, Calif.; sire: Connealy Lone Star; ADG: 4.03 lb.; ADG ratio: 111; WDA: 4.15 lb.; wt.: 1,295 lb.; index: 119

HIGH-ADG MT ANGUS Lot 86; owner: Hertlein Cattle Co., Farmington, Calif.; sire: GAR Home Town; ADG: 5.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.29 lb.; wt.: 1,050 lb.; index: 114

HIGH-WDA AND HIGH-INDEXING MT ANGUS Lot 51; owner: Eagle Grip Cattle Co., Denair, Calif.; sire: Connealy Balance; ADG: 4.61 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 4.2 lb.; wt.: 1,070 lb.; index: 119

HIGH-ADG, HIGH-WDA AND HIGH-INDEXING GR ANGUS Lot 56; owner: Eagle Grip Cattle Co.; sire: Hoover No Doubt; ADG: 5.35 lb.; ADG ratio: 143; WDA: 4.27 lb.; wt.: 1,375 lb.; index: 135

CE ANGUS AVERAGES (32 HEAD) ADG: 3.63 lb.; WDA: 3.27 lb.

MT ANGUS AVERAGES (27 HEAD) ADG: 3.86 lb.; WDA: 3.49 lb.

GR ANGUS AVERAGES (22 HEAD) ADG: 3.74 lb.; WDA: 3.41 lb.

Interim weights are scheduled for July 11, with final weights collected Aug. 12-13. Cal Poly will host a field day Oct. 1 prior to the test sale Oct. 2.

For more information, visit the test website at <https://bulltest.calpoly.edu>, call the bull test office at 805-756-2685 or email bulltest@calpoly.edu. You can also contact Zachary McFarlane, beef cattle specialist, at zmcfarla@calpoly.edu.

Midland Bull Test Announcement

Midland Bull Test (MBT) is conducted at Columbus, Mont., and features two groups of Angus bulls, as well as a junior consignor division for consignors 18 years of age and younger. Midland Bull Test evaluates approximately 1,100 purebred bulls from more than 200 consignors representing more than 32 states each year.

Group 1, composed of half of the spring Angus bulls and all fall bulls of other breeds, will be received Sept. 14-24. Group 2 bulls, including the remaining half of the spring Angus bulls and all spring bulls of other breeds, will be received Oct. 12-22.

At the conclusion of the test, the Angus bulls will sell April 7, 2023. For more information contact Steve Williams at 406-322-5597 (phone), 406-322-5210 (fax), or bulls@midlandbulltest.com; or visit the test website at www.midlandbulltest.com. 