

ASSOCIATION HIGHLIGHTS

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Return delegate ballots

It's time to vote for the members you wish to represent you as state and district delegates at the American Angus Association Annual Convention of Delegates this November. Delegate nominations received by the June 9 deadline were used to prepare state/district ballots with the names of eligible nominees. Ballots were mailed in early July to all eligible voting members.

All ballots must be received in the Association office no later than 4:30 p.m. CDT Tuesday, Aug. 8, to be counted. To ensure a valid ballot, vote for no more than the designated number of delegates listed at the top of the ballot and remember to sign the document before mailing.

Elected delegates will conduct Association business at the 140th Annual Convention of Delegates during the Angus Convention Nov. 3-6, in Orlando, Fla.

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Board candidate biographies

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.

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.



Angus Convention registration open

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.

For registration, accommodations and more information for the 2023

Angus Convention and Trade Show, turn to page 64 or visit www.angusconvention.com.

AJ Daily

Get the latest Angus news and industry information delivered to your inbox on a daily basis. The *AJ Daily* is an e-newsletter tailored for Angus breeders.

Subscribe at www.anguselist.com to stay up to date on industry news, current events and upcoming sales.

Feeding Quality Forum registration closes Aug. 4

Registration is open for this year's Feeding Quality Forum, 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.



Join the conversation

Mark your calendars for a new season of *The Angus Conversation*. The first episode of Season 3 is set to drop Aug. 15.

Go to any major podcast platform or www.theangusconversation.com for past episodes from Seasons 1 and 2. From conversations on the ideal

Angus cow to seedstock marketing, you'll want to catch up on Angus hot topics before Season 3 drops.

SCAN TO LISTEN or visit
www.theangusconversation.com



For the profit-minded cattleman

Each month the *Angus Beef Bulletin* team brings you new *Angus at Work* podcast episodes. Share with your commercial customers or get tips for your own herd. Listen anywhere you get podcasts, or follow the QR code.

Catch up on current episodes:

- “Use MLV and Killed Vaccines Strategically to Create Lifetime Immunity” with Thach Winslow
- “An Australian Angus Exchange — Perspectives from Rebecca George and Dan Moser”
- “Keep the Best Genetics in Your Herd with Heifer Development” with Joe Gillespie, Boehringer Ingelheim

SCAN TO LISTEN or visit
angusatwork.buzzsprout.com



Full Circle Online Auction

The American Angus Auxiliary will host its annual Full Circle Online Auction, a national Angus consignment sale, Nov. 9 at www.AngusLive.com.

The Full Circle Online Auction is an innovative, web-based consignment market that offers Angus breeders, families and allied industries the opportunity to both sell and buy, while making a substantial contribution to help ensure the sustainability of the Auxiliary's ongoing support of the

Gray joins Angus as regional manager

Shawn Gray to serve Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi.



The American Angus Association welcomes Shawn Gray of Samson, Ala., as the regional manager for Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi. As a University of Florida graduate, Gray has spent his career diversifying his skill set in seedstock production, commercial backgrounding, nutrition, forage management and more.

“My background in seedstock, cow-calf, stocker/backgrounding and feedlot operations has provided me an understanding of the relationship between sectors,” Gray says. “I plan to use this knowledge to be a resource for Association members in the Southeast.”

Gray comes to the Association after spending nearly five years managing more than 10,000 head of stocker cattle at Crimson Cattle Company.

Levi Landers, director of field services, says, “Gray's extensive industry tenure and diverse experiences will serve as a great asset to members in Region 13.”

In the regional manager position, Gray will work with breeders to promote Angus cattle, consult on management practices, help locate Angus seedstock, and inform cattlemen about Association programs and services. He will also advise producers on marketing opportunities available through the Association, including advertising in the *Angus Journal*, *Angus Beef Bulletin*® and other avenues.

Gray began his role serving Region 13 July 5.

Angus breed and its youth.

Proceeds will support the Auxiliary's mission, including breed promotion, beef education, and youth development through various programs, awards and scholarships.

The Auxiliary is currently seeking a wide variety of items with a fair market value in excess of \$100. Auction categories include Angus memorabilia/collectibles, games/toys, vacation packages, home décor, cattle services, embryo/semen packages and other useful items.

Consignments received by Aug. 1 will receive 90 days of advertising, including an ad in the *Angus Journal*.

For a consignment contract and more information, visit www.angusauxiliary.com.

For questions contact Cortney

Holshouser at kncholshouser@aol.com or 919-796-2346.

Fund the Future



The Angus Foundation recently launched the Fund the Future program

designed to provide Angus breeders with a new avenue to ensure a bright future for the breed. The initiative gives the breeder a unique and flexible opportunity to give back from their own annual production, consignment, bull or online genetic sale. Animals offered through private treaty are also eligible.

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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

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| 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

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| 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

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| 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[®]

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| 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

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|---|--------|
| 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 |
| Add Coat Color..... | \$5 |
| Add AM Test..... | \$8 |
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OTHER DNA TESTS

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|---|------|
| 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.

Breeders participating in the program donate a percentage of their choice on both live or genetic sale lots. The Angus Foundation will provide the program logo and footnote to distinguish a Fund the Future lot in the breeder's sale book.

Participants will be recognized in the Angus Foundation Impact Report, the *Angus Journal* and on the Angus Foundation website.

When Angus breeders see an offering marked with the Fund the Future logo, they know a portion of its sale will be used to strengthen the breed by investing in its future. Proceeds will benefit the Angus Fund, which provides unrestricted dollars for the Angus Foundation's mission of supporting Angus education, youth and research.

Contact the Angus Foundation for more information.

A Legacy Built – 150 Years

The Angus Foundation is celebrating 150 years of George Grant bringing Angus bulls to America through its annual fund campaign.

The "A Legacy Built" campaign asks every American Angus Association member to give a reoccurring gift of \$150 to the Angus Foundation or a more manageable gift of \$12.50 every month. The campaign builds unrestricted donations for Angus programs such as scholarships, youth conferences, educational programs and research.

A member can donate through the Angus Foundation website (www.angusfoundation.org), mail a check to the Angus Foundation or by a monthly pledge during Angus events. **AJ**