

PERFORMANCE REPORT

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

IBEP Summer 2023 Bull Test

28-day report (June 13)

The Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) 2023 Summer Bull Test is being conducted at the Feldun Purdue Agriculture Center, Bedford, Ind. The test features a roughage-based ration targeting 3.25-3.5-pound (lb.) gain, and features junior and senior divisions.

HIGH-ADG AND HIGH-INDEXING SENIOR ANGUS Lot 29; owner: Jim Trietsch, Trietsch Farms, Atlanta; sire: Grubbs Freaney 135; ADG: 4.75 lb.; ADG ratio: 121; WDA: 2.24 lb.; WDA ratio 82; wt.: 926 lb.; index: 106

HIGH-WDA SENIOR ANGUS Lot 1; owner: Steve and Pam Ritter, Shady Springs Farm, Norman; sire: Connealy Capitalist; ADG: 3.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 86; WDA: 3.31 lb.; WDA ratio: 122; wt.: 1,390 lb.; index: 101

SENIOR ANGUS AVERAGES (5 HEAD) ADG: 3.87 lb.; WDA: 2.73 lb.; wt.: 1,105 lb.

SENIOR OVERALL AVERAGES (10 HEAD) ADG: 3.93 lb.; WDA: 2.72 lb.; wt.: 1,078 lb.

HIGH-ADG AND HIGH-INDEXING JUNIOR ANGUS Lot 57; owner: James Hall, Hall's Angus, Eddyville, Ill.; sire: Sitz Resilient 10208; ADG: 5.21 lb.; ADG ratio: 136; WDA: 3.59 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,020 lb.; index: 128

HIGH-WDA JUNIOR ANGUS Lot 64; owner: Hall's Angus; sire: Ellingson Homegrown 60; ADG: 3.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 83; WDA: 3.68 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,005 lb.; index: 97

JUNIOR ANGUS AVERAGES (37 HEAD) ADG: 3.84

lb.; WDA: 3.12 lb.; wt.: 927 lb.

OVERALL JUNIOR AVERAGES (54 HEAD) ADG: 3.89 lb.; WDA: 3.07 lb.; wt.: 897 lb.

HIGH-ADG ANGUS GET OF SIRE Lots 38, 35 and 36; owners: Mark Underwood and Austin Underwood, Underwood Angus Farms, North Manchester; sire: Magnitude of CC&7 59G; avg. ADG: 4.49 lb.; avg. WDA: 2.95 lb.; avg. wt.: 859 lb.

HIGH-WDA ANGUS GET OF SIRE Lots 55, 60 and 64; owner: Hall's Angus; sire: Ellingson Homegrown; avg. ADG: 3.83 lb.; avg. WDA: 3.50 lb.; avg. wt.: 966 lb.

The index is calculated as 60% ADG ratio + 40% WDA ratio, within a breed group consisting of at least six bulls. Bulls in a breed group of less than six are indexed against all bulls on test.


Interim weights are scheduled to be observed July 18 and Aug. 15. Final weights are set to be collected Sept. 17-18, and the test sale will be hosted Oct. 14.

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senior division consisting of bulls born Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 2022, and a junior division with bulls born Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 2022. The program has a capacity of 80 bulls, and nominations were due July 15.

New last year, all bulls must be tested with a low-density genomic panel or higher for genomic-enhanced expected progeny differences (EPDs) and parentage-verified by breed association.

Bulls will be received at the test station Aug. 10 and weighed on test Aug. 24. Interim weights will be collected Sept. 21 and Oct. 19, and the bulls will be weighed off-test Nov. 16. The test sale will be hosted Feb. 3, 2024, with a snow date of Feb. 7.

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Announcement

The 2024 Clemson University Bull Test, Clemson, S.C., will feature a