

Checking

Under the Western Sky



► With the Denver Coliseum serving as a backdrop, exhibitors unload a livestock trailer at the 2001 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS). A total of 981 head of cattle were exhibited at the show, which was July 9-14 in Denver, Colo. lz

► As part of the check-in process for showing cattle at the NJAS, every animal's tattoo must match the one listed on its registration certificate. lz



► National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) Board members and American Angus Association staff verify animal ownership and handle check-in for the 558 junior exhibitors on Monday and Tuesday of show week. lz



► Juniors work together to make the state herdsmanship competition a true "team" event. Booths often incorporate photos, artwork, maps and props of various kinds to reflect a chosen theme. lz

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► Washing animals is an everyday chore for most juniors. Because of long lines at the wash racks, show officials opened other areas in the show complex for washing. cb



► Junior members greet the sunrise each morning by bringing their cattle into the show barn from the tie-outs. The cattle are taken down the hill to the tie-out area each evening to rest and returned to the show barn each day for fitting and showing. cb



► With the aid of a skid-steer loader, junior members spread wood chips in the National Western Complex showing before setting up the mountain backdrops and the stage. Afterward, potted trees and plants were added to accent the theme, "Under the Western Sky." lz

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