

PERFORMANCE REPORT

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This column features the performance leaders in central bull tests hosted across the country. To access a state-by-state listing of central bull tests, visit our Virtual Library online at www.api-virtuallibrary.com/CentralBullTests.htm. The listing includes contact information, links to test websites, current test schedules and dates of upcoming tests.

IBEP Summer 2019 Bull Test 125-day final report (Sept. 23)

Sixty-two bulls born May 1-Oct. 31, 2018, were weighed on test May 21 at the Indiana Bull Evaluation Program (IBEP) at the Feldun-Purdue Ag Center near Bedford, Ind.

HIGH-ADG AND HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS Lot 207; owner: Halls' Angus, James Hall, Eddyville, Ill.; sire: Rock Creek Rancher 1495; ADG: 3.79 lb.; ADG ratio: 122; WDA: 3.32 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,310 lb.; test index: 120; frame: 5.3

HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 208; owner: Halls' Angus; sire: 3F Epic 4631; ADG: 3.35 lb.; ADG ratio: 108; WDA: 3.51 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,395 lb.; test index: 114; frame: 6.0

HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS GET-OF-SIRE GROUP Lots 236, 237 & 238; owner: Mickey Angus, Pana, Ill.; sire: Baldrige 38 Special; avg. ADG: 3.55 lb.; ADG ratio: 114; avg. WDA: 3.12 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,245 lb.; avg. test index: 112; avg. frame: 5.4

ANGUS AVERAGES (40 HEAD) ADG: 3.11 lb.; WDA: 2.84 lb.; wt.: 1,153 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (61 HEAD) ADG: 3.01 lb.; WDA: 2.82 lb.; wt.: 1,138 lb.

Qualifying bulls were to sell in the test sale Oct. 19. For more information, contact Nick Minton, beef systems specialist, at nminton@purdue.edu or 812-279-4330; Brad Shelton, station manager, at sheltonb@purdue.edu or 812-279-8554; or Donna Lofgren, performance

records and website, at dlofgren@purdue.edu or 765-494-6439. Information is also available on the test website at www.ag.purdue.edu/ansc/ibep.

2020 Edisto Forage Bull Test Announcement

Clemson University has announced dates for its 2020 Edisto Forage Bull Test. The test, conducted at the Edisto Research & Education Center near Blackville, S.C., is a 100% forage grazing test. The 168-day test will feature senior (born Dec. 1, 2018-Jan. 31, 2019) and junior (born Feb. 1-March 31, 2019) divisions.

Nominations are due Nov. 1. Bulls will be accepted at the test Dec. 3 and will go on a 14-day warm-up period before being weighed on test Dec. 17. Interim weights will be collected Jan. 14, Feb. 11, March 10, April 7 and May 5. The bulls will be weighed off test June 2. Qualifying bulls will sell Oct. 10.

For more information, contact Scott Sell, livestock/forages agent and bull test coordinator, at 912-682-9590 or gsell@clemson.edu. Information is also available on the test website at www.clemson.edu/extension/bulltest/edisto.

Calhoun Bull Evaluation 56-day report (Sept. 17)

Hosted by the University of Georgia, the 112-day Calhoun Bull Evaluation is being conducted at

the Calhoun Bull Evaluation Center, Calhoun, Ga. To be eligible, bulls must have been born Sept. 1-Nov. 30, 2018.

HIGH-ADG ANGUS Lot 44; owner: Bridges Angus Farm LLC, Phillip and Alan Bridges, Lexington, Ga.; sire: GAR Ashland; ADG: 5.45 lb.; ADG ratio: 137; WDA: 3.66 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,370 lb.

HIGH-WDA (TIE) ANGUS Lot 7; owner: Berry-Wells Farm, Jonathan Wells, Rayle, Ga.; sire: Bridges Foretold; ADG: 5.13 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.92 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,380 lb.

HIGH-WDA ANGUS (TIE) Lot 37; owner: Bridges Angus Farm LLC; sire: Bridges Foretold; ADG: 4.51 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; WDA: 3.90 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,485 lb.

ANGUS AVERAGES (91 HEAD) ADG: 3.99 lb.; WDA: 3.23 lb.; wt.: 1,133 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (111 HEAD) ADG: 3.93 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.; wt.: 1,124 lb.

Interim weights were to be collected Oct 15. The bulls will be weighed off test Nov. 11-12. Cattlemen are invited to a Beef Cattle Seminar Dec. 5, the day prior to the test's Dec. 6 sale.

New this year, all bulls must be genomic tested with parent verification to be eligible for sale. For more information contact Jason Duggin at 706-728-4354 or visit the test website at www.beef.caes.uga.edu/programs/georgia-bull-evaluation-centers.html.

NC BCIP Waynesville Bull Test 84-day report (Sept. 3)

Bulls were weighed on test July 8-9 for the North Carolina (NC) Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Waynesville Bull Test. The 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 1-Nov. 15, 2018, is being conducted at the NC Department of Agriculture Mountain Research Station at Waynesville.

HIGH-ADG ANGUS Lot 33; owner: Overcash Angus, Dennis Overcash, Mooresville; sire: KCF Bennett Fortress; ADG: 3.87 lb.; ADG ratio: 138; WDA: 2.98 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,080 lb.; frame: 5.0

HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 23; owner: H&H Farm, Buddy Hamrick, Boiling Springs; sire: TEX Playbook 5437; ADG: 3.74 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.41 lb.; WDA ratio: 126; wt.: 1,180 lb.; frame: 5.3

ANGUS AVERAGES (37 HEAD) ADG: 2.81 lb.; WDA: 2.71 lb.; wt.: 1,016 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (49 HEAD) ADG: 2.73 lb.; WDA: 2.69 lb.; wt.: 1,015 lb.

Interim weights were to be collected Oct. 1 and final weights were to be collected Oct. 28-29. The sale will be Dec. 7 at the WNC Regional Livestock Center in Canton, N.C. For more details, visit www.beef.ces.ncsu.edu/beef-bull-test, contact Gary Gregory at 919-515-4027, or contact Kyle Miller, station manager, at 828-456-3943.

NC BCIP Butner Bull Test 56-day report (Sept. 17)

Bulls were weighed on test July 22-23 for the NC BCIP Butner Bull Test. The 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 15, 2018, is being conducted at the Butner Beef Cattle Field Laboratory at Bahama.

HIGH-ADG ANGUS Lot 9; owner: Britt Family Farm, James Britt, Calypso; sire: Yon High Cotton D885; ADG: 3.70 lb.; ADG ratio: 153; WDA: 2.55 lb.;

WDA ratio: 97; wt.: 906 lb.; frame: 5.1
HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 40; owner: Smith Creek Angus Farm, Marty & Lynne Rooker, Warrenton; sire: Connealy Consensus 7229; ADG: 2.82 lb.; ADG ratio: 117; WDA: 2.94 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 982 lb.; frame: 5.9

ANGUS AVERAGES (56 HEAD) ADG: 2.41 lb.; WDA: 2.63 lb.; wt.: 934 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (67 HEAD) ADG: 2.38 lb.; WDA: 2.60 lb.; wt.: 926 lb.

An interim weight was to be taken Oct. 15, and final weights will be taken Nov. 11-12. Qualifying bulls will be sold Dec. 20 at the Granville County Livestock Arena in Oxford, N.C.

For more information visit www.beef.ces.ncsu.edu/beef-bull-test, contact Gary Gregory at 919-515-4027, or contact Greg Shaeffer, station manager, at 919-471-6872.

Culpeper Bull Test 56-day report (Sept. 12)

Bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2018, went on test July 16 for the Virginia

Beef Cattle Improvement Association (BCIA) Culpeper Senior Bull Test being conducted at Glenmary Farm, Rapidan, Va. The bulls are being fed a concentrate ration formulated to achieve gains of 3.5 lb. per day.

HIGH-ADG ANGUS Lot 83; owner: Panther Creek Farms, John Smith, Pink Hill; sire: DL Dually; ADG: 5.34 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 3.12 lb.; WDA ratio: 106; wt.: 1,145 lb.

HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 24; owner: Little Windy Hill Farms, Doug Hughes, Max Meadows; sire: Jindra Acclaim; ADG: 4.22 lb.; ADG ratio: 110; WDA: 3.45 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,265 lb.

ANGUS AVERAGES (80 HEAD) ADG: 3.85 lb.; WDA: 2.95 lb.; wt.: 1,071 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (92 HEAD) ADG: 3.8 lb.; WDA: 2.95 lb.; wt.: 1,069 lb.

Another interim weight was to be collected Oct. 8. Final 112-day weights will be taken Nov. 5. Qualifying bulls will sell Dec. 14.

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For more information, contact Scott Greiner, Extension beef cattle specialist and test director, at 540-231-9159 or sgreiner@vt.edu. Rules and forms are available on the test website, www.bcia.apsc.vt.edu.

Clemson Bull Test

28-day report (Sept. 17)

Bulls were weighed on test Aug. 20 for the 2020 Clemson Bull Test. The test features a senior division for bulls born Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 2018, and a junior division for bulls born Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 2018. New this year, British breeds are being ratioed together, as will Continental and "Ear" breeds.

HIGH-ADG SENIOR ANGUS Lot 5; owner: Broadway Cattle Farm LLC, Chuck Broadway, Monroe, N.C.; sire: 3F Epic 4631; ADG: 7.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 165; WDA: 3.31 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,205 lb.

HIGH-WDA SENIOR ANGUS Lot 36; owner: Black Crest Farms, Billy McLeod, Sumter, S.C.; sire: KCF Bennett Beef Bank; ADG: 4.29 lb.; ADG ratio: 96; WDA: 3.70 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,285 lb.

HIGH-ADG JUNIOR ANGUS Lot 68; owner: Paul Boyd Angus, Neil Boyd, Clover, S.C.; sire: SS Niagra Z29; ADG: 5.21 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 3.15 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; wt.: 1,005 lb.

HIGH-WDA (TIE) JUNIOR ANGUS Lot 69; owner: Black Crest Farms; sire: Basin Payweight 1682; ADG: 4.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 104; WDA: 3.57 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,115 lb.

HIGH-WDA (TIE) JUNIOR ANGUS Lot 72; owner: Black Crest Farms; sire: BCF 6S3 Alliance Y232; ADG: 5.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; WDA: 3.56 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 980 lb.

SENIOR BRITISH BREED AVERAGES (41 HEAD) ADG: 4.47 lb.; WDA: 3.06 lb.; wt.: 1,111 lb.

JUNIOR BRITISH BREED AVERAGES (12 HEAD) ADG: 4.55 lb.; WDA: 3.19 lb.; wt.: 944 lb.

Interim weights for the 112-day test

were collected Sept. 17, Oct. 15 and will be again on Nov. 12. Final weights will be taken Dec. 10. Qualifying bulls will sell Feb. 1, 2020.

For more information, contact Steve Meadows, Extension animal scientist and test director, at 864-633-9970 or smdws@clemson.edu. Rules and forms are available on the test website, www.clemson.edu/extension/bulltest/clemson/index.html.

Tennessee Bull Test

28-day report (Sept. 24)

Bulls will be weighed on test Aug. 26-27 for the University of Tennessee 2019-2020 Senior Bull Test. The test is being conducted at the Middle Tennessee Research & Education Center in cooperation with Tennessee Extension.

HIGH-ADG AND HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 49; owner: Harris Bros. Cattle Co., Mount Juliet, Tenn.; sire: Deer Valley Patriot 6151; ADG: 6.89 lb.; WDA: 3.86 lb.; wt.: 1,305 lb.

ANGUS AVERAGES (79 HEAD) ADG: 4.28 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (105 HEAD) ADG: 4.11 lb.

Interim weights were to be collected Oct. 22, and final 112-day weights will be taken Nov. 19. Qualifying bulls will sell Jan. 10, 2020.

For more information, contact David Kirkpatrick, Extension beef cattle specialist and test director, at 865-974-7294 or fkirkpat@utk.edu. Rules and forms are available on the test website, www.ag.tennessee.edu/AnimalScience/Pages/BullTestProgram.

Florida Bull Test

28-day report (Sept. 11)

Bulls born Aug. 15-Dec. 31, 2018, began the 2019 Florida Bull Test Aug. 13-14. The 112-day test is being conducted at the North Florida Research and Education Center at Marianna, Fla.

HIGH-ADG ANGUS Lot 1838; owner: Harris

Livestock LLC, Boston, Ga.; sire: Jindra Acclaim; ADG: 5.29 lb.; WDA: 2.59 lb.; wt.: 934 lb.; index: 7.88; index ratio: 122

HIGH-WDA AND HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS Lot 1832; owner: Windy Hill Angus, Jack Tate, Boaz, Ala.; sire: SAV Raindance 6848; ADG: 5.27 lb.; WDA: 3.37 lb.; wt.: 1,180 lb.; index: 8.64; index ratio: 133

OVERALL AVERAGES (98 HEAD) ADG: 3.61 lb.; WDA: 2.87 lb.; wt. 973 lb.

Interim weights for the 112-day test were collected Oct. 8-9 and again on Nov. 6. The bulls will be weighed off test Dec. 3-4. Qualifying bulls will sell Jan. 18, 2020.

For more information, visit the test website at www.nfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/florida-bull-test or call 850-526-1621.

Wisconsin Bull Test

2020 Test Announcement

The Wisconsin Beef Improvement Association's 2020 Bull Test will be hosted at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville Pioneer Farm. Bulls born Jan. 1-April 15, 2019, are eligible for the test. They will be fed a roughage-based total mixed ration (TMR) balanced to provide a targeted 3.2-lb. ADG.

Delivery will be accepted Nov. 4 for bulls to go on test Dec. 3. Interim weights will be collected Jan. 6 and Feb. 5; and final weights will be taken March 11. Qualifying bulls will sell in the test sale April 4.

For more information visit the test website, www.wisconsinbeef.com; contact Alicia Adams at 608-342-1326 or prillada@uwplatt.edu; or contact John Freitag at 608-527-5747 or wbia@tds.net. 