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.

Calhoun Bull Evaluation

56-day report (Sept. 15)

Bulls were weighed on test July 22 following a 21-day warm-up period for the University of Georgia Calhoun Bull Test. To be eligible for the 112-day test, bulls must have been born between Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2019.

HIGH-ADG AND HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS Lot 69; owner: Allgood Angus, Athens, Ga.; sire: EWA Peyton 642; ADG: 5.80 lb.; ADG ratio: 141; WDA: 3.39 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; wt.: 1,270 lb.; test index: 9.19

HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 19; owner: Meldon Farm, Jefferson, Ga.; sire: Deer Valley Growth Fund; ADG: 4.09 lb.; ADG ratio: 99; WDA: 3.9 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,165 lb.; test index: 8.08

ANGUS AVERAGES (82 HEAD) ADG: 4.13 lb.; WDA: 3.23 lb.; wt.: 1,107 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (106 HEAD) ADG: 4.09 lb.; WDA: 3.19 lb.; wt.: 1,098 lb.

The test index consists of the sum of the WDA and the ADG.

Interim weights were scheduled to be recorded Oct. 13, with final weights for the 112-day test recorded Nov. 9-10. The Calhoun Beef Cattle Seminar will be hosted Dec. 3, before the 51st Annual Calhoun Bull Test Sale on Dec. 4.

For more information, please contact Jason Duggin at 706-624-1403, or visit the test website at *http://bit.ly/PT-Calhoun*.

IBEP Summer 2020 Bull Test

Final report (Sept. 21)

Thirty-two bulls were delivered April 28 to the Feldun-Purdue Ag Center near Bedford, Ind., for the Indiana Beef Evaluation Program's (IBEP's) summer 2020 bull test. The bulls were born between May 1 and Oct. 31, 2019, and were fed a foragebased diet with a target gain of 3.25 pounds (Ib.) per day.

Going on test the 18 Angus bulls averaged 730 lb., and all 32 bulls averaged 733 lb.

HIGH-ADG, HIGH-WDA AND HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS Lot 403; owner: Hall's Angus, James Hall, Eddyville, Ill.; sire: Vermilion Spur B024; ADG: 3.58 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; WDA: 3.57 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,413 lb.; test index: 120

HIGH-ADG, HIGH-WDA AND HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS GET-OF-SIRE Lots 404, 407 and 410; owners: Hall's Angus and Bennett Angus, Carole Bennett, Eddyville, Ill.; sire: KCF Bennett Fortress; avg. ADG: 3.24 lb.; ADG ratio: 107; avg. WDA: 3.30 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; avg. wt.: 1,234 lb.; test index 110

ANGUS AVERAGES (18 HEAD) ADG: 3.04 lb.; WDA: 2.88 lb.; wt.: 1,110 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (32 HEAD) ADG: 3.11 lb.; WDA: 2.93 lb.; wt.: 1,122 lb.

The test sale was scheduled for Oct. 17 at the Springville Feeder Auction. 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 available on the test website, *https://ag.purdue.edu/ ansc/ibep/.*

NC BCIP Butner Bull Test

56-day report (Sept. 15)

Bulls were weighed on test July 21 at the Butner Beef Cattle Field Laboratory for the North Carolina Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Butner Bull Test.

The bulls were born between Aug. 15 and Nov. 15, 2019, and were received at the test station July 8.

The test is based on a corn silagebased ration with protein and energy added to balance the ration to 12% crude protein and 70% total digestible nutrients (TDN).

HIGH-ADG ANGUS AND HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 16; owner: Overcash Angus, Dennis Overcash, Mooresville, N.C.; sire: Sydgen Enhance; ADG: 5.55 lb.; ADG ratio: 161; WDA: 3.40 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,190 lb.; frame: 6.4

ANGUS AVERAGES (45 HEAD) ADG: 3.44 lb.; WDA: 2.88 lb.; wt.: 1,010 lb. Overall averages (53 head) ADG: 3.38 lb.; WDA: 2.86 lb.; wt.: 999 lb.

Interim weights were scheduled for Oct. 13. Bulls will be weighed off test Nov. 9-10. Qualifying bulls will sell in the test sale Dec. 18 at the Granville County Livestock Arena at Oxford, N.C. For more information contact Greg Shaeffer, station manager, at 919-471-6872, or visit the test website at *https://beef.ces.ncsu.edu/ beef-bull-test/.*

Virginia BCIA Culpeper Senior Bull Test

56-day report (Sept. 9)

Bulls were weighed on test July 14 for the Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement Ass'n (BCIA) Culpeper Senior Bull Test, conducted at Glenmary Farm, Rapidan, Va.

The 112-day test features bulls born between Aug. 15 and Nov. 30, 2019. The bulls are fed a silage-based ration for a target average daily gain (ADG) of 3.5 lb.

HIGH-ADG AND HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 41; owner: Edgewood Angus, Pete and Peter Henderson, Williamsburg, Va.; sire: Sydgen Enhance; ADG: 4.21 lb.; ADG ratio: 188; WDA: 3.67 lb.; WDA ratio: 129; wt.: 1,305 lb.

ANGUS AVERAGES (88 HEAD) ADG: 2.24 lb.; WDA: 2.83 lb.; wt.: 998 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (108 HEAD) ADG: 2.26 lb.; WDA: 2.84 lb.; wt.: 1,002 lb.

Interim weights were scheduled for Oct. 6, and final weights will be recorded Nov. 3. The test sale will be hosted on Dec. 12. New this year, the sale will follow a video auction format. Bulls will be brought to the sale facility for buyer viewing; however, they will not be put through the ring during the sale.

For more information contact Scott Greiner at 540-231-9159 or sgreiner@ vt.edu, or visit the test website at *https://www.bcia.apsc.vt.edu/*.

NC BCIP Waynesville Bull Test

56-day report (Sept. 1)

Bulls were received June 24 for the North Carolina Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Waynesville Bull Test. The bulls were born between Aug. 1-Nov. 15, 2019,

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and were weighed on test July 6-7. The test is conducted at the NC Department of Agriculture Mountain Research Station, where the bulls are fed a silage-based diet.

HIGH-ADG ANGUS Lot 4; owner: Baird Angus Farm, William Baird, Bluff City, Tenn.; sire: Barstow Bankroll B73; ADG: 6.89 lb.; ADG ratio: 146; WDA: 3.34 lb.; WDA ratio: 100; wt.: 1,245 lb.; frame: 5.6

HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 12; owner: Broadway Cattle Co., Chuck Broadway, Monroe, N.C.; sire: Byergo Black Magic 3348; ADG: 6.52 lb.; ADG ratio: 138; WDA: 3.87 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,370 lb.; frame: 6.9

ANGUS AVERAGES (33 HEAD) ADG: 4.72 lb.; WDA: 3.35 lb.; wt.: 1,158 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (51 HEAD) ADG: 4.59 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.; wt.: 1,132 lb.

Interim weights were to be recorded Sept. 29, and final weights were scheduled for Oct. 26-27. The sale will be hosted Dec. 5 at the WNC Regional Livestock Center, Canton, N.C. For more information, contact Kyle Miller, station manager, at 828-456-3943, or visit the test website at https://beef.ces.ncsu.edu/beef-bull-test/.

Clemson University Bull Test

28-day report (Sept. 15)

Fifty-three Angus bulls were among 78 bulls weighed on test Aug. 18 for the 2021 Clemson University Bull Test. The 112-day test is conducted at the Piedmont Experiment Station, near Pendleton, S.C. The bulls are consigned by 22 producers in four states, and separated into a senior and a junior division. The 66 bulls in the senior division were born Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 2019, and the 12 bulls in the junior division were born Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 2019.

HIGH-ADG SENIOR ANGUS Lot 21; owner: Panther Creek, John Smith, Pink Hill, N.C.; sire: DL Dually; ADG: 8.48 lb.; ADG ratio: 190; WDA: 3.77 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,355 lb.

HIGH-WDA SENIOR ANGUS Lot 45; owner: Broadway Cattle Farm LLC, Chuck Broadway, Monroe, N.C.; sire: Byergo Blackstone 6325; ADG: 7.41 lb.; ADG ratio: 166; WDA: 3.81 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,395 lb.

HIGH-ADG JUNIOR ANGUS Lot 78; owner: Edisto Pines Farm, Todd Edwards, Leesville, S.C.; sire: GAR Ashland; ADG: 4.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.55 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,005 lb.

HIGH-WDA JUNIOR ANGUS Lot 77; owner: Edisto Pines Farm; sire: Growth Fund; ADG: 4.61 lb.; ADG ratio: 116; WDA: 3.74 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,080 lb.

SENIOR ANGUS AVERAGES (43 HEAD) ADG: 4.47 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.; wt.: 1,169 lb.

JUNIOR ANGUS AVERAGES (9 HEAD) ADG: 3.97 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.; wt.: 969 lb.

Interim weights are scheduled Oct. 13 and Nov. 10, and final weights will be recorded Dec. 8. The test sale will be hosted Feb. 6, 2021.

For more information contact director Steve Meadows at 864-633-9970 or smdws@clemson.edu, or visit the test website at *http://bit.ly/ bt-Clemson.*

MBCIA

Announcement

The Minnesota Beef Cattle Improvement Ass'n (MBCIA) has announced the schedule for its 2020-2021 bull test. The 133-day evaluation will take place at the Foundation Feeders test station near Spring Grove, Minn., and will feature bulls born between Aug. 15, 2019, and May 15, 2020. Bulls will be fed a total mixed ration (TMR) consisting of corn silage, alfalfa haylage, corn, distillers' grains, mineral mix and vitamins.

Delivery of the bulls was scheduled for Oct. 31, and on-test weights will be recorded Nov. 13-14. Interim weights are scheduled Jan. 8 and Feb. 26, 2021. The bulls will be weighed off test March 18. The top-indexing 75%-80% of all bulls will be eligible for the test sale, scheduled for April 1 at Jackson Livestock Exchange, Jackson, Minn.

For more information, contact Ron Holty, test station manager at 507-498-5839 or 507-429-7963, ronholty@gmail.com or *foundationfeedersinc.com*.

Florida Bull Test 28-day report (Sept. 9)

The 2020 Florida Bull Test is hosted at the North Florida Research and Education Center in Marianna, Fla. The test features bulls born between Aug. 15 and Dec. 31, 2019, with a limit of 132 bulls. Bulls are fed for a target gain of 3.5 lb. per day to allow expression of growth potential and development. The bulls were delivered July 21 and weighed on test Aug. 11-12.

HIGH-ADG ANGUS Lot 1958; owner: Currid Family Farm, Defuniak Springs; sire: 44 Payweight 6502; ADG: 4.39 lb.; WDA: 3.01 lb.; wt.: 1,010 lb.; test index: 7.41; index ratio: 125

HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 1987; owner:

Hubert Hightower, Waukeenah; sire: Byergo/Double GG Blackstone; ADG: 2.86 lb.; WDA: 3.53 lb.; wt.: 1,090 lb.; test index 6.38; index ratio: 108

HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS Lot 1966; owner: Williams Angus, Newton, Ala.; sire: EXAR Grit 3498B; ADG: 4.29 lb.; WDA: 3.13 lb.; wt.: 1,210 lb.; test index 7.42; index ratio: 126

ANGUS AVERAGES ADG: 2.79 lb.; WDA: 2.89 lb.; wt.: 1,021 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES ADG: 3.06 lb.; WDA: 2.85 lb.; wt.: 986 lb.

Interim weights are scheduled to be recorded Nov. 4, with final weights recorded Dec. 1-2. The test sale is scheduled for Jan. 16, 2021. For more information, please visit the test website at *http://nfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/ florida-bull-test.*



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