

# ASSOCIATION HIGHLIGHTS

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## Angus Foundation Heifer

The Angus Foundation Heifer Package will kick off the National Angus Bull Sale. The sale will be Friday, Jan. 7, at the Cattlemen's Congress in Oklahoma City.

This year's heifer offering presents a special opportunity to bid to purchase a pick of five heifers from Tehama Angus Ranch, Gerber, Calif.

The offering includes 30 days of insurance from American Live Stock Insurance Co., Batavia, Ill.; transportation to the buyer's ranch provided by Lathrop Livestock Transportation, Dundee, Ill.; and an advanced reproductive technology package from Trans Ova Genetics, Sioux Center, Iowa.

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## Angus Convention

The 2021 Angus Convention is set for Nov. 6-8 in Fort Worth, Texas.

Hosted with the 138th Annual Convention of Delegates, the Angus Convention offers educational sessions, business meetings, industry-leading speakers, entertainment and an in-depth look at the *Certified Angus Beef*® (CAB®) brand.

After a year of virtual events, the power of in-person events will be a highlight of this year's Angus Convention.

Take advantage of learning from industry professionals during Angus University-sponsored breakout sessions, and participate in hands-on education by attending a session in the cattle demonstration area.

The event also features four grand-prize giveaways and the opportunity to meet and mingle with others during several of the receptions featuring CAB-brand meals.

Visit the convention website, [www.angusconvention.com](http://www.angusconvention.com), to register, make hotel reservations for the three-day event, and access a convention schedule, trade show map and more.

## Annual Meeting Awards Dinner

Join us for an evening of awards, appreciation and food at the Angus Annual Meeting Awards Dinner Sunday, Nov. 7. Learn firsthand from past participants how programs and events sponsored by the Angus Foundation have influenced them, and recognize those who have

influenced the industry.

The Association will recognize Roll-of-Victory (ROV) Show Program winners, Angus Heritage Foundation inductees and American Angus Auxiliary honorees, and a new Miss American Angus will be crowned.

For \$40 attendees can enjoy a CAB-brand dinner while celebrating the Angus breed and its members. Sign up with your convention registration. For more information visit [www.angusconvention.com](http://www.angusconvention.com).

## Bull Sale entries due Nov. 12

Angus members are invited to consign bulls to the 2022 National Angus Bull Sale Jan. 7, 2022, in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Upon entry, all bulls must possess a genomic profile, along with a complete set of expected progeny differences (EPDs) and dollar value indexes (\$Values). Any bull that is a potential carrier for a genetic condition recognized by the American Angus Association must be tested free of that condition(s).

Those with Pen and Carload cattle will be encouraged to participate as well. Participants may designate an individual at time for entry or consign a "Pick of the Pen" or "Pick of the Carload."

A special advertising section will be available for consignors in the December 2021 *Angus Journal*.

For more details or to request an entry packet, contact Jeff Mafi, 816-344-4266 or [jmafi@angus.org](mailto:jmafi@angus.org); Alex Tolbert, 706-338-8733 or [atolbert@angus.org](mailto:atolbert@angus.org); your regional manager; or

Jaelyn Upperman, American Angus Association Events and Education Department, at 816-383-5147.

## Talon Internship student applications due Dec. 1

The Angus Foundation, through the Angus/Talon Youth Education Learning Program Endowment Fund, will pair motivated youth with host Angus ranches to give a valuable, hands-on, educational experience for an eight- to 10-week term during summer or fall 2022. Applications are available online and due back to the Angus Foundation by Dec. 1.

College sophomores, juniors, seniors, graduate students and recent college graduates who do not exceed the age of 25 on date of application and who are majoring in an agriculture-related field of study will be eligible to apply for this paid internship position.

The late Cam Cooper of Talon Ranch, Twin Bridges, Mont., who was a supporter of agriculture's youth, set up the Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Endowment Fund through her estate. The internship partnership will benefit both the ranch and the intern by providing an educational experience and enthusiastic fresh perspective for both.

For more information and to apply, visit [www.angusfoundation.org](http://www.angusfoundation.org).

## Full Circle Online Auction

The American Angus Auxiliary will host its annual Full Circle Online Auction, a national Angus consignment sale.

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 Angus breed and its youth.

Hosted by [www.anguslive.com](http://www.anguslive.com), the auction is set for Nov. 11. Proceeds will support the Auxiliary's mission, including breed promotion; beef education; and youth development through various programs, awards and scholarships.

For any questions about the auction, contact Cortney Holshouser at [kncholshouser@aol.com](mailto:kncholshouser@aol.com) or 919-796-2346.

## Affordable ID

Cattle producers looking for affordable ways to identify their herd can visit [www.customcattletags.com](http://www.customcattletags.com), a service provided by the American Angus Association.

Custom Cattle Tags provides high-quality, low-cost, customized ear tags, tissue sampling units (TSUs), sale tags and 840 radio frequency identification (RFID) tags for cattle producers across the United States.

## Sale-day kit

Producers planning a sale can request a sale-day kit from the American Angus Association.

Go online and visit The Angus Brand at <https://shop.angus.org> to find educational and promotional information about the Angus breed and Association programs. Printed literature is free but will include the cost of shipping.

## Angus University webinar

Mark your calendars for Dec. 7 for an Angus University webinar. Angus University provides education and resources to both junior and adult members of the American

Angus Association as well as the beef industry.

For more information and to register, visit [www.angus.org/University/Webinars](http://www.angus.org/University/Webinars).

## AHIR Inventory Reporting

The enrollment period for Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR®) Inventory Reporting is open from Nov. 1 through Jan. 15. The fee is \$2 for each female enrolled. This fee covers the AHIR reporting cost for the next calf crop. Annual requirements for each female enrolled in the program include reporting a calf (birth date, sex, dam information), a reason for no calf, or a disposal code if the cow left the herd.

For members enrolling for the first time, current herd inventory can be established within your AAA Login account. For members who enrolled last year during this time period, your inventory needs updated and all females to meet requirements to reenroll. For members who enrolled in July, now is a good time to enter the fall calving information for the females in your herd. For those interested in MaternalPlus®, weaning weights and heifer breeding records are also required.

All members enrolled in the Inventory Reporting option will have the opportunity to earn the MaternalPlus designation.

For more information call 816-383-5100 or email [angus@angus.org](mailto:angus@angus.org).

## FCMG additional copies available

Cattlemen can now order additional copies of the 2021 "Feeder-Calf Marketing Guide" (FCMG), published in June as a supplement to the *Angus Beef Bulletin*®.

The FCMG fosters understanding

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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**

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**

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**

Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) fee (per first weight submitted) .....	\$3
Artificial insemination (AI) service certificate .....	\$10
Regular annual membership .....	\$80
Regular annual membership with Angus Journal subscription .....	\$130
Lifetime membership (optional to pay in three \$500/year installments) .....	\$1,500
Junior annual membership (less than 21 years of age) .....	\$20
Embryo-transfer (ET) calf .....	regular registration fee plus \$10
Cell-clone transplant calf .....	regular registration fee plus \$50

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](http://www.angus.org).

**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	Arthrogryposis 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).

of the quality beef supply chain and how those purchasing registered Angus bulls can capitalize on the genetics and take advantage of the programs and services available.

With articles ranging from what creates value to how to pick a feedyard — as well as directories to feedlots and auction markets — the FCMG is a resource to keep at your fingertips year-round.

Additional copies are available. Send your request to Angus Media, FCMG Orders, 3201 Frederick Ave., Saint Joseph, MO 64506 or email [FCMG@angus.org](mailto:FCMG@angus.org). Request a bid for larger volumes for distribution at a sale or local auction market.

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