

ASSOCIATION HIGHLIGHTS

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World Angus Evaluation

The World Angus Evaluation was released Oct. 13. A collaboration between the American Angus Association, Canadian Angus Association and Angus Australia, the World Angus Evaluation analyzes the genetics of Angus cattle globally.

“That influx of really good, high-quality data is just going to strengthen our predictions, strengthen our accuracies and really improve the robustness of our evaluation,” says Smitty Lamb, Angus Genetics Inc. (AGI) chair.

Traits included in the 2023 release are CED, CEM, BW, WW, YW, MILK, SC, MARB, CW, RIB and FAT.

To learn more read “By the Numbers” and “The Data Dive” in the October 2023 *Angus Journal*, visit www.angus.org, or listen to *The Angus Conversation* podcast “World Angus Evaluation Combines Growth, Carcass, Maternal Measures — What That Means to Breeders.”

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www.theangusconversation.com



AHIR Inventory Reporting

Inventory Reporting enrollment for Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR®) is open from Nov. 1 to 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.

Members who are enrolled will receive access to the Functional Longevity research EPD.

For more information call 816-383-5100 or email angus@angus.org.

Catch up on the Conversation

Tune in for Season 3 of *The Angus Conversation*, an *Angus Journal* podcast, to hear conversations on the World Angus Evaluation and Angus in the Northeast.

Listen to these latest episodes anywhere you get podcasts, or visit www.theangusconversation.com.

- Separate Herds, Joint Marketing: Holt, Brown Talk Records, Goals and Service
- World Angus Evaluation Combines Growth, Carcass, Maternal Measures — What That Means to Breeders
- Bringing Bulls to the City and Buyers to the Farm: Trowbridge on Angus in the Northeast

Angus internship applications now open

College students with interest and experience in the beef industry can gain more hands-on involvement this next year. Applications are now

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17	National Angus Bull Sale entry deadline
December	
1	Angus summer internship application deadline
1	Talon internship application deadline

open for internships with the American Angus Association, Angus Media and Angus Genetics Inc. (AGI).

The various opportunities cover a wide range of disciplines from events and editorial to communications, marketing and genetics. To learn more, turn to page 118. To apply, visit www.angus.org/careers.

Build a Legacy

The Angus Foundation is celebrating 150 years of George Grant bringing Angus bulls to America through its annual fund campaign.

The “A Legacy Built” campaign asks every American Angus Association member to give a recurring gift of \$150 to the Angus Foundation or a more manageable gift of \$12.50 every month. The campaign builds unrestricted donations for Angus programs such as scholarships, youth conferences, educational programs and research.

A member can donate through the Angus Foundation website (www.angusfoundation.org), mailing

a check to the Angus Foundation or making a monthly pledge during Angus events.

Full Circle Online Auction

The American Angus Auxiliary will host its annual Full Circle Online Auction, a national Angus consignment sale, Nov. 9 at www.AngusLive.com.

The Full Circle Online Auction proceeds will support the Auxiliary's mission, including breed promotion, beef education, and youth development through various programs, awards and scholarships.

For more information visit www.angusauxiliary.com.

A podcast for you and your customers

Each month the *Angus Beef Bulletin* team brings you new *Angus at Work* podcast episodes. Share with your commercial customers or get tips for your own herd. Listen anywhere you get podcasts, or follow the QR code.

Catch up on current episodes:

- "Navigating Ag Market Volatility" with Dan Basse
- "The Benefits of a Relationship with Your Seedstock Supplier"

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Bull sale entries due Nov. 17

Angus members are invited to consign bulls to the 2024 National Angus Bull Sale, set for Jan. 5, 2024, in Oklahoma City, Okla., at Cattlemen's Congress.

Upon entry, all bulls must possess a genomic profile, along with a complete set of 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 2023 *Angus Journal*. The entry deadline is Nov. 17.

For more details or to request an entry packet, contact Jeff Mafi, 816-344-4266 or jmafi@angus.org; Alex Tolbert, 706-338-8733 or atolbert@angus.org; your regional manager; or Caitlyn Brandt, Events and Junior Activities Department, at 816-383-5147.

Angus Foundation Heifer Package

The Angus Foundation Heifer Package will kick off the 85th National Angus Bull Sale, set for Jan. 5, 2024, at the Cattlemen's Congress.

The heifer, Yon Sarah K1233 (AAA *20450734), is a maternal sister to both Yon Top Cut G730 (AAA +*19476453) and Yon Saluda (AAA +*20336998). Yon Sarah K1233 is safe in calf to Yon Toccoa F1054 (AAA +*19306162), with an anticipated due date of March 21, 2024.

Yon Family Farms is a first-generation seedstock operation whose focus is to provide high quality, value-added cattle to satisfied customers. They aim for their customers to believe that honesty, quality, service and value are synonymous with their name.

The sale will start at 2 p.m. at the Oklahoma State Fairgrounds, in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Talon internship student applications due Dec. 1

The Talon internship program provides college-aged students the

opportunity to spend their summer on an Angus operation gaining valuable, hands-on experience.

Interns will gain extensive ranching knowledge while complementing their skills as advocates for the beef industry.

Applications for the Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program student internship are due Dec. 1.

The late Camron "Cam" Cooper of the Talon Ranch, Twin Bridges, Mont., developed the Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Endowment Fund in 2009 to be a one-of-a-kind educational experience.

College sophomores, juniors, seniors and graduate students under the age of 25 and majoring in an agricultural-related field of study are eligible to apply.

Students interested in participating in the program can learn more and apply at bit.ly/AngusFoundationTalonProgram.

Angus Foundation offers granite pavers at headquarters

Leave a lasting mark on the American Angus Association. By donating to "Building an Angus Legacy," cattlemen, alumni of the junior program and others can have a paver in front of the Association headquarters in Saint Joseph, Mo., personally engraved.

An unrestricted, tax-deductible donation of \$300 to the Angus Foundation secures a paver.

All the proceeds from the "Building an Angus Legacy" campaign support the Angus Foundation and its mission to advance Angus education, youth and research programs.

In 2013, the front walkway of the Association was remodeled and

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

DNA TESTING FEES

ANGUS GSSM POWERED BY NEOGEN[®]

Neogen [®] Angus GS SM <i>(includes Parentage)</i>	\$37
Add Genetic Condition Bundle <i>(includes AM, NH, CA, OS, DD, M1, D2, OH, and Coat Color)</i>	\$18
Add Coat Color.....	\$5
Add AM Test.....	\$8
Add NH Test.....	\$8
Add CA Test.....	\$8
Add OS Test.....	\$8
Add DD Test.....	\$10
Add M1 Test.....	\$10
Add OH Test.....	\$8
Add Dwarfism (D2) Test.....	\$10
Add BVD Test <i>(Hair or TSU Only)</i>	\$4.50

ZOETIS[®] GENOMIC TESTS

Zoetis [®] HD50K <i>(includes Parentage)</i>	\$37
Add Genetic Condition Bundle <i>(includes AM, NH, CA, OS, DD, M1, D2, OH, and Coat Color)</i>	\$18
Add Coat Color.....	\$5
Add AM Test.....	\$8
Add NH Test.....	\$8
Add CA Test.....	\$8
Add OS Test.....	\$8
Add DD Test.....	\$10
Add M1 Test.....	\$10
Add OH Test.....	\$8
Add Dwarfism (D2) Test.....	\$10
Add BVD Test <i>(Hair or TSU Only)</i>	\$4.50

OTHER DNA TESTS

Parentage.....	\$18
Genetic Condition Bundle <i>(includes AM, NH, CA, OS, DD, M1, D2, OH, and Coat Color)</i>	\$45
Coat Color Test.....	\$18
Arthrogyposis Multiplex (AM) Test.....	\$22
Neuropathic Hydrocephalus (NH) Test.....	\$22
Contractural Arachnodactyly (CA) Test.....	\$22
Osteopetrosis (OS) Test.....	\$22
Developmental Duplication (DD) Test.....	\$22
Myostatin (M1) Test.....	\$22
Oculocutaneous Hypopigmentation (OH) Test.....	\$18
Dwarfism (D2) Test.....	\$22

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 Arthrogyposis 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).

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.

each of the new 6-by-12-inch granite pavers became available for recognition. Previous donors have listed their names or their farm's name. Others have made a donation in memory of a loved one or the name of their group or state association.

Orders will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. To submit an order and payment, contact the Angus Foundation at 816-383-5100. The Angus Foundation is accepting orders via mail to 3201 Frederick Ave., Saint Joseph, MO 64506 or online at www.angusfoundation.org.

CAB Communications Internship Applications Due Nov. 12

Certified Angus Beef (CAB) seeks three students aspiring for opportunities beyond the classroom and through the beef supply chain. Ideal candidates are college students majoring in agricultural communications, public relations, journalism, marketing or related areas.

The producer communications intern will engage farm and ranch audiences. This intern will write news releases, feature stories, and create content for the brand's rancher-facing social media accounts, website and email copy. Background knowledge and experience in agriculture is preferred.

The multimedia intern will support the brand's creative content through photo and video, editing, and cataloging. The intern will enhance storytelling skills across media channels through long- and short-form video and photography in both studio and field settings.

The public relations intern will monitor brand mentions and emerging issues in trade and top-tier media, generate media pitches and pitching strategies, and support any events as they arise. The secondary focus will be to create content for the brand newsroom.

If this sounds like you or a student you know, please share the opportunity and find more information at www.CertifiedAngusBeef.com/recruiting. 