



Association Highlights

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Register for national conference

Depending on how fast your mail carrier delivers this issue of the *Angus Journal* to your door, the Sept. 1 early registration deadline for the 2003 National Angus Conference and Tour may have already passed. But don't worry. For \$80, you can still register until the first day of the event, which is set for Sept. 24-27 in Mandan, N.D.

There are several ways to register, including online at www.angus.org or by calling Linda Campbell at (816) 383-5143. You can also fill out the registration form in the August issue of the *Angus Journal*, then fax or mail it to the Association. All methods except by mail require payment by Visa or MasterCard. Walk-in registrations will be accepted at the conference.

In addition to the great lineup of speakers at the "Take Initiative" conference program, the event will include Angus Information Management Software (AIMS) and Web Marketing workshops, followed by a two-day

tour hosted by the North Dakota Angus Association. All events will take place at the Best Western Seven Seas Inn & Conference Center in Mandan. Call 1-800-597-7327 for reservations.

Make plans to attend the 2003 Annual Meeting

Fall is just around the corner, which means it's time to make plans to attend the Association's Annual Meeting, set for Nov. 16-17 in Louisville, Ky. The Annual Meeting is conducted in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE), which includes an Angus Roll of Victory (ROV) super-point show.

The election of officers and five members to the Association Board of Directors will highlight the Annual Meeting, which is set for 2 p.m., Monday, Nov. 17, at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center (KFEC). Elected delegates and other

attendees will hear annual reports of the Association and its entities for fiscal year (FY) 2003.

The Annual Banquet will be Monday evening at the Executive West Hotel. Special honorees at the banquet will include the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) Outstanding Leadership Award winner and inductees into the Angus Heritage Foundation.

The Angus show schedule will be the same this year, with the junior show scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 16; the ROV bulls and cow-calf pairs, Monday, Nov. 17; and ROV females, Tuesday, Nov. 18.

NAILE exhibitors must enter by Oct. 1

Officials of the 30th annual NAILE are expecting nearly 21,000 livestock entries this year, making it the world's largest purebred livestock exposition. Eight breeds of beef cattle are conducting national shows during the event.

Premium catalogs and entry forms for exhibitors are available by contacting the NAILE office at (502) 595-6367 or by visiting www.livestockexpo.org. Entries may be mailed, submitted by fax to (502) 367-5299 or entered on the Web site. Visa and MasterCard are accepted.

Hotel options in Louisville

The Executive West will serve as Angus headquarters for the Annual Meeting and all related events, but rooms there are reserved for delegates, alternates and Association officers and directors. Anyone who doesn't fall into those categories is encouraged to make reservations at these nearby hotels, which are within walking distance from the Executive West:

- Executive Inn — 1-800-626-2706
- Best Western Ashton Inn Suites — (502) 375-2233
- Courtyard by Marriott — (502) 368-5678
- Residence Inn by Marriott — (502) 363-8800
- Howard Johnson's Express Inn — (502) 363-9952
- Hampton Inn — (502) 366-8100
- Comfort Inn — (502) 361-5008

ASSOCIATION FEES

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.....	\$7
Applications for animals 4-10 months of age.....	\$9
Applications for animals 10-12 months of age.....	\$14
Applications for animals more than 12 months of age.....	\$27

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 weaning weight).....	\$3
Artificial insemination (AI) service certificate.....	\$10
Regular annual membership.....	\$30
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*. Copies are available free from the Association.

BREEDER'S REFERENCE

Symbols are used with a registration number to denote important information about an animal.

Symbol	Meaning	Symbol	Meaning
#	Pathfinder cow or Pathfinder sire	%	Split-ET
+	Embryo transfer calf	@	Clone-ET
^	Cell clone		

National Western bull consignments due Oct. 1

Consignors have until Sept. 15 to save \$50 on entry fees for the 2004 National Western Angus Bull Sale at the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver, Colo.

The fee for consignments received on or before Sept. 15 is \$300 per head. From Sept. 16 through the final entry deadline of Oct. 1, the fee is \$350 per head. All consignments must have Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) performance information to be eligible.

For more information call Chuck Grove, sale manager, at (804) 525-4687 or contact Campbell at the Association at (816) 383-5143 or lcampbell@angus.org.

Sire Evaluation Report available in printed format

Although the Fall 2003 Sire Evaluation Report has been available online at www.angus.org for several weeks, members may still be waiting to receive their printed copies in the mail. However, the Association no longer automatically mails copies to members.

If you sent in the blue postcard included in the ballot envelope you received in July, you should have received a printed copy of the report by now. If you didn't send in the blue postcard but want a printed report, call the Performance Programs Department or e-mail Brenda Schafer at bschafer@angus.org. Be sure to include your complete mailing address and member code.

Don't forget these fall junior deadlines

Sept. 20 is the entry deadline for the American Royal junior Angus show.

Oct. 1 is the entry deadline for the NAILE junior Angus show.

Nov. 1 is the ownership deadline for the NWSS junior Angus show.

Limited edition Murphy prints now available

Long-time Angus artist Frank Champion Murphy has recently finished another oil painting for the American Angus Association. The painting is titled "In Apple Blossom Time" and features a cow and newborn calf in a Midwest pasture scene.

The Angus Foundation is offering 1,000 signed-and-numbered prints of this original oil painting for a donation of \$100 per print. The prints can be purchased by contacting Monica Jordan in the Junior Activities Department at (816) 383-5100 or mjordan@angus.org. The buyer must select a print number when ordering. A \$10 shipping and handling fee will be added to all orders.

The 20×24-inch (in.) prints were first offered for sale to the public during the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in July. This unique piece of artwork is a great complement to any home or office and would make a perfect gift for any Angus enthusiast, so order yours today.

The Angus Foundation is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization that supports many programs of the NJAA, including scholarships and educational programs. The mission of the Angus Foundation is to support youth, education and research related to agriculture.

Beartooth Ranch to donate 2004 Angus Foundation Heifer

Beartooth Ranch, Columbus, Mont., will donate BT Everelda Entense 51N to

highlight the 2004 Angus Foundation Heifer Package, which will sell Thursday, Jan. 15 at the National Western Bull Sale in Denver, Colo. The heifer is a January 2003 daughter of Twin Valley Precision E161.

All proceeds from the sale of the package benefit the Angus Foundation. Look for more information about the package in upcoming issues.

Order summer show photos now

Summer is over, and it's time to gather photos from all those shows and events for scrapbooks, sale books and fall and spring advertising. Photos of winning animals and other special awards from all summer shows attended by an Association representative are available from the Association or Angus Productions Inc. (API).

Black-and-white photos are available from the Communications and Public Relations Department from all shows attended by a regional manager or another Association staff member. These photos were likely used for publicity in your local paper and state Angus publication. Photos are available in sizes ranging from 5×7-in. to 11×14-in. and are priced affordably. To order, call Lea Ann Maudlin at (816) 383-5100.

Color photos from the Atlantic National, Eastern Regional, North Central Regional Preview and the NJAS are available from API. All photos can be viewed and ordered by going to www.angusphotos.com. Photos are available in sizes ranging from 4×6-in. to 12×16-in. and are affordably priced. To order by phone, call Tanya Peebles at (816) 383-5200.

