



Association Highlights

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National Conference & Tour this month

It isn't too late to make plans to attend the National Angus Conference & Tour, set for Sept. 27-29 in Kansas City, Mo. Although the early registration deadline has passed, those interested in attending can still register. The registration fee is \$100.

Those who need to register can do so by contacting Linda Campbell at (816) 383-5143 or lcampbell@angus.org.

To register online or for complete information, including a schedule, go to www.angusjournal.com/nationalconference.



Last month for free electronic storage

This is the last month to take advantage of the opportunity to store your registration certificates electronically, free of charge, at the Association. Registration certificates that are electronically stored can be electronically transferred through AAA Login and Angus Information Management Software (AIMS). Conversion of printed registration certificates to electronic storage generally costs \$2, but, for a limited time, the Association is offering a free conversion period. Members wishing to convert registration papers to electronic storage free of charge should send papers to the Association by Sept. 30.

Although electronic storage can be an efficient way to manage cattle within your herd, those exhibiting cattle at an

Association-sponsored show must still carry the original registration paper with them.

Register now for Cattlemen's Boot Camp

The American Angus Association is partnering with Colorado State University (CSU) to conduct the first-ever Angus Foundation-sponsored Cattlemen's Boot Camp. The event is set for Oct. 20-21 at the CSU Agricultural Research, Development and Education Center (ARDEC).

The Boot Camp is limited to the first 150 producers. Interactive learning sessions and industry experts will provide information about marketing, breeding and selection.

Registrations, which cost \$75 per person, are due to the Association by Oct. 7. Watch for more information at www.angus.org.



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*. Free copies are available 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	HG	Horn gene
+	Embryo transfer calf	R	Red
^	Cell clone	X	Multiple defects, check list for kind
%	Split-ET	F	Tested for defect printed without producing abnormal calves
@	Clone-ET	GDF	Produced 35 or more calves from daughters without a genetic defect or genetic factor
S	Syndactyly	WT	Wild Type Color Gene
H	Double muscling		
D	Dwarfism		
M	Osteopetrosis		
HI	Heterochromia irides		

National Western bull consignments due Oct. 1

Consignors have until Sept. 15 to save \$50 on entry fees for the 2006 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. Remember that all consignments must have Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) performance information to be eligible.

For more information call sale managers John Dickinson at (916) 806-1919 or David Gazda at (706) 227-9098, or contact Linda Campbell at the Association at (816) 383-5143.

Make plans for Annual Meeting

Now is the time to make plans to attend the Association's 122nd Annual Convention of Delegates, which is set for Monday, Nov. 14, in Louisville, Ky. The Annual Meeting is conducted in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE), which includes a Super-Point Roll of Victory (ROV) Angus show.

The election of officers and five members

to the Association Board of Directors will highlight the Annual Meeting, scheduled for 2 p.m. 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) 2005.

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 as it was last year. The junior show will be Sunday, Nov. 13; the ROV bulls and cow-calf pairs will show Monday, Nov. 14; and ROV females will show Tuesday, Nov. 15.

NAILE exhibitors must enter by Oct. 1

If you plan to show at the 2005 NAILE this November, you will want to ensure your entries are in by Oct. 1. 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 at (502) 367-5299 or submitted 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 of the Executive West.

- ▶ Executive Inn Hotel — 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

September concludes Angus Foundation's fiscal year

Sept. 30 is the end of the Angus Foundation's fiscal year. Contributors of \$250 or more will be invited to the Angus Foundation's 25th Silver Anniversary Supporter Recognition Event and Fund-raiser this November in Louisville. At the event, a one-of-a-kind Silver Anniversary Commemorative Winchester 30-30 Rifle will be offered at public auction. To learn more about the rifle, see pages 64-65 of this issue.

To make a donation to the Angus Foundation and ensure your invitation to the event in Louisville, contact Director of Development Milford Jenkins at (816) 383-5100 or visit www.angusfoundation.org/donation.html.



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 that were attended by an Association representative are available from the Association.

Photos are available from the communications 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 4×6-inch (in.) to 11×14-in. and are priced affordably. To order call Lea Ann Maudlin at (816) 383-5100.

Don't forget these fall junior deadlines

- ▶ Oct. 1 is the entry deadline for the NAILE junior Angus show.
- ▶ Nov. 1 is the ownership deadline for the NWSS junior show.

