



# Angus Stakes

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## Keeping up

*What a fast-paced world we live in! The stock market is up 700 points one day and down 900 the next. Gas prices are up; gas prices are down. About the time you get something in print, it changes.*

### Stay informed of latest developments

Curly calf syndrome (CCS) is a good example. The story there is unfolding so fast, the only way to stay current is to monitor the American Angus Association's home page ([www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org)) for the latest news. The Association Board and staff is doing an exemplary job of communicating what is known about the genetic abnormality and its potential ramifications.

### National Angus Conference online

The National Angus Conference and Tour in Oklahoma City, Okla., Oct. 6-9 flagged the beginning of the winter meeting season. We'll bring you coverage in the December issue, but you can catch it online now at [www.nationalangusconference.com](http://www.nationalangusconference.com). Sponsored by Purina Mills LLC and Alpharma Animal Health, the site features summaries, supporting materials, audio and photo galleries of the conference and tour.

### Louisville just around the corner

We hope to see you at the North

American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, Ky., Nov. 15-18. Besides the super-point Roll-of-Victory Show, the Association will host its Annual Meeting, celebrate its 125th anniversary, elect new leadership and host several educational seminars — including two sessions on CCS. The Auxiliary will also host its Annual Meeting in addition to its annual breakfast and the competition for Miss American Angus.

API's Web Services Department will present online coverage of the ROV and junior shows. Turn your browser to [www.angusjournal.com/louisville](http://www.angusjournal.com/louisville) to follow the show.

### Reproductive strategies featured

For the first time, our editorial team will provide event coverage of the Robert Taylor Memorial Symposium: Applied Reproductive Strategies in Beef Cattle. As the name implies, the meeting will focus on strategies you can use to increase reproductive efficiency by understanding

factors that affect fertility, whether related to the bull, the cow or the breeding program.

Now in its sixth year, the Applied Reproductive Strategies symposium has proven itself to provide cutting-edge information that can be put to practical use. The program for the Dec. 2-3 meeting is available at [www.appliedreprostrategies.com](http://www.appliedreprostrategies.com).

Meeting host Colorado State University and the Beef Reproduction Task Force are sponsoring the online coverage, which will include summaries, proceedings, audio and photo galleries.

### Angus e-List

Unfortunately, we don't get announcements for many of the meetings available to you in time to publish them in the magazine. We hope you take advantage of signing up for API's Angus e-List at [www.anguselist.com](http://www.anguselist.com). This e-mail newsletter service allows us to bring you news on a daily basis.

### You still have time

Please don't miss your opportunity to help improve the *Angus Journal* by filling out the readership survey that was inserted in the August issue. You can also fill the survey out electronically at [www.apisurvey.uark.edu](http://www.apisurvey.uark.edu). We'd love to have comments from all readers in your household.

And, if you you complete your survey and enter to win the drawing by Nov. 20, you have the opportunity to win \$500 cash, amongst other prizes.

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