



Angus Stakes

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It's meeting time

We're counting down to two of our favorites — the Angus Means Business National Convention & Trade Show and the Range Beef Cow Symposium.

National Convention

As the convention program packaged with this issue details, the Angus Means Business National Convention & Trade Show Nov. 3-5 is a must attend. Why?

No. 1: Conduct the business of your Association. Delegates to the 132nd Annual Convention (see page 72) will elect five board members (see page 64), a board president and a vice president, as well as vote on suggested changes to the Bylaws.

No. 2: Enjoy the visit. Nowhere else do we gather as many Angus enthusiasts in such a broad forum to meet each other and discuss ideas pertinent to the Angus business.

No. 3: Learn more about your Association. Educational workshops will help you learn how to get the most out of programs and services ranging from recordkeeping to marketing.

No. 4: Get inspired. From insights gleaned from keynote speakers to products and services introduced in the trade show, you are sure to take a new idea home to your own operation.

No. 5: See the country. Budget time to come a day early and take in some cattle and country on the tour provided by the Kansas Angus Association Nov. 2.

Learn more details about the convention and register at www.angusconvention.com.

Range Beef Cow Symposium

This year is the year to attend the biennial Range Beef Cow Symposium. Colorado State University will host cattlemen Nov. 16-19 at The Ranch, an event center at the Larimer County Fairgrounds at Loveland, Colo.

This year's event features some new attractions the afternoon and evening before the traditional program. Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) coordinators for Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming will host certification workshops beginning at 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 16. Curt Pate will present a BQA stockmen and stewardship session at 3, followed by a BQA Wrap-up at 5. Leachman Cattle of Colorado will host a preconvention reception and seminar at 5:30 and 6 p.m., respectively.

Also new this year is a focus on young producers, who are invited to a social Monday evening and an inspirational breakfast Tuesday morning.

The traditional program, long recognized as one of the most useful programs in the industry, begins Tuesday morning at 8:45. Topics for the two-and-a-half day program will range from heifer selection to consumer insights and from range management to marketing.

Evening Bull Pen Sessions are one of the most popular and unique aspects of the Range Beef Cow Symposium. The sessions provide time for attendees to ask specific questions of speakers and to discuss more in-depth the day's topics. The majority of symposium speakers will be present Tuesday and Wednesday evening following their presentations.

Commercial displays representing many segments of the industry are an integral part of the symposium. Exhibitors will be present to introduce new products and discuss their product lineups.

Angus Media will bring you coverage of the event at www.rangebeefcow.com. Visit the site now for the schedule, travel and hotel information, and online registration.

Ed Oliver passes

Our sympathies go out to the family of Ed Oliver, formerly of West Point, Ga. We received word before going to press that Mr. Oliver, featured in the story beginning on page 337, lost his battle with cancer. We chose to run the story as is and as he saw it in a proof copy.



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