



# Association Highlights

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## Cattlemen's Boot Camp set for this month

Producers still have time to register for the first-ever Cattlemen's Boot Camp, set for Oct. 20-21 in Fort Collins, Colo. The American Angus Association is partnering with Colorado State University (CSU) to conduct the Angus Foundation-sponsored Cattlemen's Boot Camp that will be at the CSU Agricultural Research, Development and Education Center (ARDEC).

Space is limited, as interactive learning sessions are planned, so register today. Boot Camp is designed for newer producers. Registrations, which cost just \$75 per person, are due to the Association by Oct. 7.



## Submit performance records by Nov. 11

The deadline for submitting performance data for inclusion in the Spring 2006 National Cattle Evaluation (NCE) is Friday, Nov. 11.

It's important to both individual herds and to the breed to collect and submit performance records promptly. If you have questions, contact the Performance Programs Department.

## 2005 Annual Convention planned

The Association Annual Convention of Delegates will be conducted in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) in Louisville, Ky. Events begin Sunday, Nov. 13, with the Angus junior show, an

educational program for breeders, and the open forum for candidates and delegates.

The open bull show and the Annual Meeting will be Monday, Nov. 14, and the Annual Banquet will take place that evening. Events conclude Tuesday with the open female show. All events will take place at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center (KFEC) or at the Executive West Hotel. For more information, go to page 70.

## Angus Foundation to celebrate 25th Anniversary

On Saturday, Nov. 12, the Angus Foundation will celebrate its Silver Anniversary at its 3rd Annual Supporter Recognition Event and Fund-raiser in Louisville, Ky., in conjunction with the NAILE. In commemoration of this special occasion, a one-of-a-kind Angus Foundation Silver Anniversary American Black Angus Commemorative Winchester® 30-30 Rifle will be offered at auction by the Angus Foundation. This exclusive silver (brushed nickel) rifle is an exact duplicate of the 250 rifles offered in 1996 by the American Angus Association, and it will be the only silver (brushed nickel) one made.

Supporters of \$250 or more to the Angus Foundation in fiscal year (FY) 2005 (Oct. 1, 2004, to Sept. 30, 2005) are invited to this supporter recognition event and fund-raiser. They will have the privilege of bidding on this "1 of 1" Angus and family heirloom. Proceeds from the sale of the rifle will support the Angus Foundation's education, youth and research programs.

You can still have this privilege, however, by contributing \$500 or more between Oct. 1, 2005, and the event date or at the door that evening. This equitable support level will be required to "catch you up" for 2005 with the added benefits of both reserving your invitation to the 2006 event and recognition as a generous \$500 donor to the Angus Foundation this year.

For more information or to view a photo of the rifle, visit [www.angusfoundation.org](http://www.angusfoundation.org) or



## ► 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		

call Angus Foundation Director of Development Milford Jenkins at (816) 383-5163.

### Rishel Angus donates 2006 Foundation Heifer

Bill and Barb Rishel of Rishel Angus, North Platte, Neb., have donated B/R Ruby of Tiffany 4214 to the Angus Foundation to offer at auction at the 2006 National Western Stock Show (NWSS) to raise funds for the advancement of education, youth and research. This heifer is sired by Twin Valley Precision E161 and is a granddaughter of B/R Ruby of Tiffany 155, who is the dam of B/R New Design 323. A special feature of this year's Angus Foundation heifer offering is that she is bred to Ironwood New Level and is expected to calve in February 2006.

The heifer and her pedigree can be viewed on the Angus Foundation's Web site at [www.angusfoundation.com](http://www.angusfoundation.com).

### Foundation to sponsor YCC representative

In coordination with the American Angus Association, the Angus Foundation is committed to sponsoring one individual as the Angus representative to the 2006 Young Cattlemen's Conference (YCC), scheduled for June 1-8, 2006. Angus breeders interested in applying must have their application completed and mailed to the Angus Foundation with a postmark date before or on Friday, Jan. 6, 2006. Applications and instructions may be downloaded in Microsoft Word® or Adobe Acrobat® from [www.angusfoundation.com](http://www.angusfoundation.com).

The conference and tour begins in Denver, Colo., and concludes at our nation's capital in Washington, D.C. Visits at various beef industry-related venues on the tour enable participants to expand their knowledge of beef topics ranging from industry structure to issues management, in addition to production research and marketing. Only a few young industry leaders are able to attend and must be nominated by one of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) affiliate members, be between the ages of 25 and 50, and be an NCBA member.

### Make plans for the NWSS

It's not too soon to start making plans to attend the 2006 NWSS in Denver, Colo. Angus activities start Tuesday, Jan. 10, with the junior heifer show in the Stadium Arena. The super-point Roll of Victory (ROV) female show will begin at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 11, in the Stadium Arena.

On Thursday, Jan. 12, sale bulls take the stage, with judging in the Stadium Arena at 9 a.m., followed by a viewing of all sale consignments. The National Western Angus Bull Sale begins at 2 p.m. in the Beef Palace Auction Arena with the sale of the Angus Foundation Heifer Package. The day concludes with the Angus Reception from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Denver Marriott City Center Hotel.

The super-point ROV bull show begins at 8 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 13, in the Stadium Arena. On Saturday, Jan. 14, Angus activities

move to the yards with the carload and pen shows at 9 a.m.

Hotel reservations for the NWSS can be made by calling the Marriott City Center Hotel, which serves as Angus headquarters for the event, at (303) 297-1300. A room rate of \$88 plus tax has been negotiated for the Angus group. Reservations must be made by Dec. 27.

### NWSS junior deadlines

Nov. 1 is the ownership deadline (issue date) and Nov. 15 is the entry deadline for the junior Angus heifer show at the NWSS. There are no exceptions to these deadlines. If a junior member is having difficulty completing a transfer in time to meet show ownership deadlines, contact the Member Services Department. The Association will do what it can to expedite the process.



Production	Price	Sex	Age
Colony Price Cross	1.5 to 1.1		
Mid-Weight	1.1 to 1.4		
Youngling Weight	80 to 107		
Youngling Weight	1.1 to 1.4		
Youngling Weight	80 to 107		
Colony Price Male	1.1 to 1.1		
BBK	8 to 207		
Blade Weight	18 to 83		
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Low Weight	8.20 to 10.80		
Caracas	4 to 27		
Caracas	80 to 90		
Milky Price	1.05 to 1.07		
Put	1.27 to 1.08		
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Blended	1.00 to 1.00		
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### BLS offers marketing opportunity

The Bull Listing Service (BLS) is one option for those producers who are looking for an economical way to promote their bulls for sale. BLS is available to all producers who have registered Angus bulls for sale, but it was designed with small- and mid-size producers in mind.

BLS is accessible online at [www.angus.org/bls](http://www.angus.org/bls) and lists bulls, along with their pedigrees and performance information, for a 90-day period. A minimal fee is charged for the service: \$7 per head for 1-10 bulls; \$5 per head for 11-99 bulls; and just \$4 per head for more than 100 bulls.

The service offers breeders with a few head of bulls an inexpensive marketing tool. BLS also offers those breeders with upcoming production sales another way to promote their offerings.