



# Association Highlights

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## Fall sire summary available online

The fall 2006 *Sire Evaluation Report* and the updated expected progeny differences (EPDs) and dollar value indexes (\$Values) from the latest National Cattle Evaluation (NCE) were released July 17. To view the latest Sire Evaluation Report online, go to [www.angussiresearch.com](http://www.angussiresearch.com). In addition to the online and printed versions, the report is available on CD for \$25. A computer printout of the report is available for \$15.

## Delegate ballots due Aug. 15

All ballots to nominate state delegates for the 2006 Annual Convention of Delegates must be received at the American Angus Association by Aug. 15 in order to be counted. No late ballots will be accepted. If you haven't mailed yours, please do so as soon as possible.

Elected delegates will conduct Association business at the Annual Convention Nov. 14 during the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) in Louisville, Ky.

## Register now for Boot Camp

A Cattlemen's Boot Camp is set for Aug. 29-30 at the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana. Registration is open until Aug. 14, but space is limited so sign up today.

Sponsored by the Association, Angus Foundation and University of Illinois, the Boot Camp is open to all cattle producers and offers a look into all segments of the industry as well as evolving technologies. Cost to attend is only \$75 and includes meals and materials. A block of rooms has been reserved at the Holiday Inn-Urbana. Please call (217) 328-5427 and ask for the American Angus Association block to reserve your room today.

For more information about the Boot Camp, go to [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org) or call Kris Sticken with the Angus Foundation at (816) 383-5100.



## Register for national conference

Register now for the 2006 National Angus Conference & Tour, set for Sept. 26-28 in Boise, Idaho. Registration is just \$75 prior to Aug. 25 and includes the conference program, meals and bus transportation during the tour. Purina Mills, LLC, and Alpharma Animal Health are the main sponsors of this year's event, which includes Web coverage at [www.nationalangusconference.com](http://www.nationalangusconference.com).

To register for the event, go to [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org) or contact Linda Campbell at (816) 383-5143. After Aug. 25 the registration fee increases to \$100.

## Association plans educational webcasts

In an effort to reach more of the Association membership, educational webcasts will be conducted monthly to provide more information about Association programs and services. The educational programs will be conducted via the Internet on a four-month trial basis, beginning next month.

The hour-long webcasts will be the second Tuesday of each month, beginning at 8 p.m. CST. More information about the webcasts can be found at [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org).

## Sale deadlines for NWSS

Act now to save \$50 on entry fees for the 2007 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 Oct. 1 entry deadline, the fee is \$350 per head. All consignments must have Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR<sup>SM</sup>) performance information to be eligible.

For more information, contact sale managers John Dickinson at

[jdickinson@angus.org](mailto:jdickinson@angus.org) or David Gazda at [dgazda@angus.org](mailto:dgazda@angus.org). Or contact Linda Campbell at (816) 383-5143 or [lcampbell@angus.org](mailto:lcampbell@angus.org).

## Outreach Seminar scheduled

The Association, in conjunction with the Ohio Angus Association, is planning an Outreach Seminar for Sunday, Sept. 24, in Tiffin, Ohio. At the meeting, staff will give an overview of Association programs. The Outreach Seminar is part of an educational field day, and will begin after lunch. Watch [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org) for more information or contact Shelia Stannard at [ssannard@angus.org](mailto:ssannard@angus.org).

## Summer show photos available

Any youth who competed in a junior Angus show this summer where an Association representative took photographs will receive one complimentary color 5x7 photo in the mail. Those photos are also e-mailed to each member's local media.

Anyone who would like to order additional photos can do so by contacting the Association's communications department at (816) 383-5100 or by sending an e-mail to [prphotos@angus.org](mailto:prphotos@angus.org).

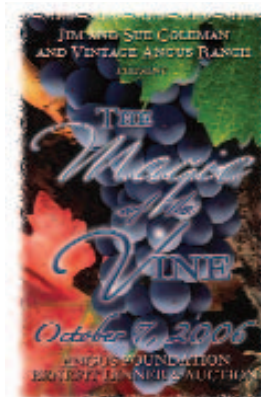
## Angus Foundation "Magic" continues in California

The Angus Foundation, along with hosts Jim and Sue Coleman of Vintage Angus Ranch, will host a charity dinner, "The Magic of the Vine," at the Coleman residence on Saturday, Oct. 7.

In coordination with the Angus Foundation, event co-chairwomen Julie McMahon French and Wynn Dalton

Herbers and other volunteers are working hard to offer another magical, memorable Angus fundraising event.

Contact the Angus Foundation to request your personal invitation with the favor of a reply deeply appreciated.



Attendees can help the event committee and the Angus Foundation achieve the \$100,000 goal with a suggested \$100-per-person donation.

### Start planning for 2006 Annual Convention

The Association Annual Convention of Delegates will be conducted in conjunction with the NAILE in Louisville, Ky. Angus events in Louisville begin Sunday, Nov. 12, with the junior Angus show, an educational program for breeders and the open forum for candidates and delegates. The open bull show and the Annual Convention will be Monday, Nov. 13. The Annual Banquet is 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.

Look for a more detailed schedule of events and additional information in upcoming issues.

### Junior deadlines for the fall

- ▶ Sept. 1 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.
- ▶ Nov. 15 is the entry deadline for the NWSS.



## ▶ 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		