

# **Association Highlights**

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#### **NIAS** this month

The National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) is July 15-21 in Louisville, Ky., at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center, home of the North American International

Livestock Exposition (NAILE).

The Tennessee, Ohio and Kentucky Angus and Junior Angus associations will sponsor the event, themed "In a League of Our Own."

If you can't make the trip to Louisville, you can still watch the live show online at www.liveauctions.tv, or view online show results at www.angus.org. Also check the Association's Facebook and Twitter pages for the latest show updates.

Visit www.angus.org for more information about the NJAS.

# NJAS television program airs Aug. 6

The American Angus
Association will air a special
edition of the *The Angus Report*,
featuring the NJAS. The program
will air Aug. 6 at 8:30 a.m. EST and
will include a close-up of the National
Junior Angus Association (NJAA) and its
members, as well as the role of junior

members in the future of the Angus breed.

Visit www.angus.org or check local listings as more information becomes available. RFD-TV is available on Dish Network channel 231, DirecTV channel 345 and through independent cable providers.

The Angus Report delivers weekly Association and industry news on RFD-TV, every Monday at 8:30 a.m. EST; Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. EST; and Saturday, 2:30 p.m. EST. The program offers busy cattlemen and women the opportunity to quickly catch up on important industry issues.

### Delegate ballots due Aug. 14

The deadline to nominate state and district delegates for the Annual Convention of Delegates was June 30. Ballots used to vote for eligible nominees will be prepared and mailed mid-July to all active regular and life members.

All ballots must be received in the Association office by Tuesday, Aug. 14, to be counted. To ensure a valid ballot, vote for no more than the designated number of delegates listed at the top of the ballot and remember to sign the document.

For more details on how to select the delegates to represent your state at the Annual Convention of Delegates, refer to "Will Your Ballot Count?" in the July 2011 *Angus Journal* (available via a back issue search at <a href="https://www.angusjournal.com/aj\_backissues.html">www.angusjournal.com/aj\_backissues.html</a>).

Elected delegates will conduct Association business at the 129th Annual Convention of Delegates Nov. 12 during the NAILE in Louisville, Ky. If a delegate cannot attend, an alternate delegate can then attend and vote.

### **Download the Angus app**

The American Angus Association has recently launched Angus Mobile, a free, smartphone application for the iPhone, iPad and Android devices. The app allows users to update herd data no matter where they are on their farm or ranch. Download the easy-to-navigate app and gain access to the latest news, sale reports, show results, EPDs and \$Values percentiles and much more. Visit www.angus.org for more details.

#### Order black books today

Now is the time to place your order for the 2013 Beef Record Service (BRS)/ AngusSource® black books. The pocket-sized

#### **■** 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

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Rules of the American Angus Association are included in the *Breeder's Reference Guide*. Free copies are available from the Association. An online version is available through the "Rules and Forms" link at *www.angus.org*.

#### **■** BREEDER'S REFERENCE

Symbols are used with a registration number to denote important information about an animal. An "F" following the symbol for a genetic defect means the animal has tested free of the defect. A "C" following represents a carrier of the defect.

| Symbol | Meaning                           | Symbol | Meaning                              |
|--------|-----------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------|
| #      | Pathfinder cow or Pathfinder sire | HI     | Heterochromia irides                 |
| +      | Embryo transfer calf              | M1     | nt821 mutation for double muscling   |
| ^      | Cell clone                        | NH     | Neuropathic hydrocephalus            |
| %      | Split-ET                          | OS     | Osteopetrosis                        |
| @      | Clone-ET                          | RD     | Red gene                             |
| AM     | Arthrogryposis multiplex          | RTF    | Produced 35 or more calves from      |
| CA     | Contractural arachnodactyly       |        | daughters without a simple recessive |
| D2     | PRKG2 gene mutation for dwarfism  |        | genetic defect or genetic factor     |
| DM     | Double muscling                   | SN     | Syndactyly                           |
| DW     | Dwarfism                          | WT     | Wild type color gene                 |
| HG     | Horn gene                         | XC     | Carrier of more than 1 defect        |
|        |                                   | XF     | Free of more than 1 defect           |

books include a calendar, as well as space to keep management records on your cow herd.

The 2013 books are available in any quantity for \$3 each and can be customized — free of charge — with purchases of 100 or more.

The books make great promotional gifts to commercial customers. Customized orders may include your operation's logo and contact information foil-stamped onto the back cover, while standard orders feature the Association's logo. Custom orders must be placed by Aug. 1.

To place orders, contact the AngusSource department at 816-383-5100 or blackbooks@ angus.org. Books will be shipped by Oct. 15.

## 2012 Angus Foundation Golf Tournament set

In conjunction with the 2012 NJAS, the 12th Annual Angus Foundation Golf Tournament will be Tuesday, July 17, at the Quail Chase Golf Club in Louisville, Ky. The tournament is open to both adults and youth. Funds raised through team entry fees and event sponsorships support the Foundation's education, youth and research efforts.

If you are interested in playing in the tournament, adults can register at \$100 per person, and junior golfers (NJAA members) can register at \$75 per person. Registration includes 18 holes of golf, a golf cart, continental breakfast and a *Certified Angus Beef*® (CAB®) lunch, provided this year by Sysco Louisville Inc. The player registration deadline is July 1. After July 1, a \$10 late registration fee applies per player.

Find out more about how you can participate in the 2012 Angus Foundation Golf Tournament at www.angusfoundation.org.

#### **Silent auction to support Foundation**

A silent auction featuring a variety of Angus items will be conducted during the NJAS in Louisville. All proceeds from the auction will benefit the Angus Foundation. Many valuable items and collectibles will be featured.

All state junior associations are encouraged to donate an item to the auction, but donations from individuals are also accepted. To donate items contact the Angus Foundation at 816-383-5100.

# Association can help with junior transfers

If you know of a junior member who has



purchased or raised a heifer that he or she wants to show, please make note of all ownership deadlines. If a deadline is fast approaching and you haven't received the transferred registration, the Association can help.

Contact the Association at least two weeks prior to the show ownership deadline. Every effort will be made to get the transfer processed in time. Remember, late transfers are never accepted, regardless of the reason.

#### Note junior deadlines

- ► The ownership deadline (process date) for the NAILE Junior Angus Show is Sept. 1.
- ► The ownership (process) date and entry deadline for the American Royal Junior Angus show is Sept. 10. Please note that late entries are never accepted.

#### **LEAD Conference next month**

The 2012 Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) Conference, themed "Peak Performance," is set for Aug. 2-5 in Fort Collins, Colo. The National Junior Angus Board has planned leadership and personal skill-building activities for NJAA participants 14-21 years old.

Space is limited. Registration costs \$225 for junior members and \$250 for advisors.

Visit www.angus.org/njaa to register or for more information.

### Order summer show photos now

If you exhibited at a state preview show, regional junior show or the NJAS, you can order copies of photos taken by Association

staff. Visit www.angus.digitaleventsonline.com to purchase your photos online or contact the Communications Department at prphotos@ angus.org or 816-383-5100 for more information.



#### Kansas to host NAC&T

The 2012 National Angus Conference & Tour (NAC&T) will be Oct. 3-5 in Wichita, Kan. The daylong conference and two days of tours hosted by the Kansas Angus Association will feature leading industry speakers and outstanding Angus genetics amongst the Kansas scenic farm settings.

The early registration deadline is Aug. 20; final registration is due Sept. 10.

See the insert in this issue, visit www.nationalangusconference.com or contact the Activities Department for more details and registration materials.

#### **ROV** show season

The 2011 ROV show season ended May 31, and the 2012 ROV show season officially began June 1. Show exhibitors travel during the season across the country to accumulate CONTINUED ON PAGE 20

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points. The final tally of points for the show heifer, show bull and breeder of the year, along with all division awards are posted online at www.angus.org.

Awards are presented at the North American and the Association's Annual Awards Banquet each year in Louisville.

For complete information about the ROV program and a list of the 15 point shows, visit www.angus.org or contact the Activities department.

# Request your sale day or field day kit now

Producers with late spring sales or those planning summer field days at their operations should plan now by requesting a sale day kit or field day planner and kit from the Public Relations and Communications Department. The kits include educational and promotional information about the Angus breed and Association programs.

All materials should be requested at least two weeks prior to your event to ensure items will reach your destination.

### **Lifetime membership options**

The American Angus Association offers producers a lifetime membership option. The \$1,500 membership lasts throughout the life of the sole person named on the membership. Payments may be broken into three nonrefundable yearly installments.

Lifetime memberships can be issued to one person only, and are not meant for partnerships. The membership option may be used for a farm name, provided only one person is included on the membership.

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