



Association Highlights

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NJAS this month

The National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) is July 5-11 in Kansas City, Mo., at Hale Arena, home of the American Royal. The Missouri Angus and Junior Angus



associations will sponsor the event, themed “Aberdeen in Twenty Thirteen.”

If you can't make the trip to Kansas City, 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 July 22

The American Angus Association will air a special edition of the *The Angus Report* featuring the NJAS. The program will air July 22 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 and Saturday, 2:30 p.m. EST. The program offers busy cattlemen the opportunity to quickly catch up on important industry issues.

Building an Angus legacy! deadline July 15

The Angus Foundation's granite paver drive has been extended to July 15, 2013. You have the opportunity to make a donation and be recognized on a granite paver of three different sizes and prices to suit your needs and budget. Only letters and numbers (no brands or logos) will be allowed for engraving on the granite pavers. However, in addition to the granite pavers, there will be the opportunity to be recognized on one of four granite planters that will be located prominently at the remodeled entrance. The four planters will be the only opportunities to have a brand or logo engraved into the granite. The second planter will be offered on www.angustradingpost.com July 1-11, and the winner will be announced at the NJAS in Kansas City.

A limited number of each size of granite paver will be available, so make sure to get your orders in as soon as possible. Orders will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis, and only after the donation is received will engraving begin on your paver. The Angus Foundation is accepting orders via mail and online through July 15. You will also be able to place orders at the NJAS. After July 15, if the Angus Foundation opens a second phase for order submission, prices will go up to include on-site engraving cost. Find out more about the project at www.angusfoundation.org.

Delegate ballots due Aug. 20

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. 20, to

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	\$80
Regular annual membership with <i>Angus Journal</i> subscription	\$130
Lifetime membership (optional to pay in three \$500/year installments).....	\$1,500
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. 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 daughters without a simple recessive genetic defect or genetic factor
CA	Contractural arachnodactyly	SN	Syndactyly
D2	PRKG2 gene mutation for dwarfism	WT	Wild type color gene
DM	Double muscling	XC	Carrier of more than 1 defect
DW	Dwarfism	XF	Free of more than 1 defect
HG	Horn gene		

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 www.angusjournal.com/aj_backissues.html).

Elected delegates will conduct Association business at the 130th Annual Convention of Delegates Nov. 18 during the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) in Louisville, Ky. If a delegate cannot attend, an alternate delegate can then attend and vote.

Candidate résumés due Aug. 15

Association members who are seeking election to the Board of Directors of the American Angus Association may send a short biography, along with a photo, to *Angus Journal* Editor Shauna Hermel by Aug. 15. Biographies and photos submitted by the deadline will be published in the October *Angus Journal*, prior to the election at the Annual Convention in November. Biographies should be approximately 500-700 words and will be shortened if necessary.

For more information on the particulars of running for the Board, see "Vying for the Board" in the March 2011 *Angus Journal*.

Century Awards applications due Sept. 1

The American Angus Association initiated the Century Award to recognize its members and their families who have been in continuous production of registered Angus cattle for at least 100 years. The award recipients will be recognized at the Association's Annual Awards Banquet.

Visit www.angus.org to apply before the Sept. 1 deadline or for more information.

Order black books today

Now is the time to place your order for the 2014 Beef Record Service (BRS)/AngusSource® black books. The pocket-sized books include a calendar, as well as space to keep management records on your cow herd.

The 2014 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.

Tag Store offers affordable identification

The American Angus Association Tag Store, www.customcattletags.com, offers affordable identification options to purchase high-quality, custom-printed cattle ear tags and other ID options, in less time. The interactive, online store offers Duflex® visual tags in numerous colors and sizes. Logos, text on the front and back of the tag and/or text on the tag stud can be printed for a small fee. Neon green is a brand new visual tag color that is now available in every size.

"These unique, inexpensive tags will make identification and recordkeeping simple for you and your customers," says Ginette Kurtz, AngusSource® quality manager.

Farmers and ranchers can also build numerous tags with unique data with a spreadsheet template and step-by-step directions. The document can then upload as a CSV file online.

The Tag Store exclusively offers Destron Fearing™ products. Accessories available for purchase below retail price include applicators, markers and knives. Allflex

Repeater Syringes are also available in 25cc and 50cc sizes.

Silent auction to support Foundation

A silent auction featuring a variety of Angus items will be conducted during the NJAS in Kansas City. 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.

NAC&T planned in New York

The 2013 National Angus Conference & Tour (NAC&T) will be in New York Aug. 28-30, 2013. Albany, N.Y., will serve as the headquarters for the event, which will again be sponsored with the support of Land O' Lakes Purina Feed LLC. New York Angus breeders will provide a tour featuring the state's Angus operations, history and New York agriculture.

The early registration deadline is July 15; final registration is due Aug. 1.

Visit www.nationalangusconference.com for more details and registration materials as they

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become available, or contact the Activities Department.

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. 15.
- ▶ 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 2013 Leaders Engaged in Angus

Development (LEAD) Conference, themed "Cajun livin' Angus leadin'" is set for Aug. 1-4 in New Orleans, La. 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 Public Relations and Communications Department at prphotos@angus.org or 816-383-5100 for more information.

ROV show season

The 2012 Roll of Victory (ROV) show season ended May 31, and the 2013 ROV show season officially began June 1. Show exhibitors travel during the season across the country to accumulate 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 for the 2012 show year will be presented at the NAILE and the Association's Annual Awards Banquet in Louisville.

For complete information about the ROV program and a list of the 17 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.



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