



Association Highlights

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Submit performance records by Nov. 10

The deadline for submitting performance data for inclusion in the Spring 2007 National Cattle Evaluation (NCE) is Friday, Nov. 10. 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.

Login for webcasts

The second webcast educational program will be Tuesday, Oct. 10. The program, broadcast via the Internet, will begin at 8 p.m. Central Time. Sally Northcutt will discuss the basics of Beef Improvement Records (BIR), the importance of submitting data and the next deadline for data submission.

The webcasts will last approximately one hour and will include time for questions. High-speed Internet is needed to view the seminar.

The November webcast will be pushed back a week due to Angus activities in Louisville, Ky., and will be Nov. 21.

Watch for more information at www.angus.org.

2006 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. 12, with the Angus junior heifer 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. 13, 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 www.angus.org.

Association plans educational activities for fall, winter

Association staff are busy planning educational programs for members and commercial producers through the fall and winter. Another series of Outreach Seminars are planned to keep members current on Association programs.

In addition, more Cattlemen's Boot Camps are being planned. Sponsored by the Angus Foundation and co-hosted by universities across the country, these in-depth programs offer information about all segments of the industry.

Watch the Association Web site for complete information on these events.

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		



Riverbend Rita R125

Riverbend Ranch donates 2007 Foundation Heifer

Frank and Belinda VanderSloot, owners of Riverbend Ranch of Idaho Falls, Idaho, have donated the 2007 Angus Foundation Heifer, set to sell during the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver, Colo.

Riverbend Rita R125, a January 2005 daughter of Bon-View New Design 1407, will headline the package. She is bred to Mytty In Focus and is due to calve in March 2007.

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In addition to the heifer, the buyer will receive 30 days of free insurance from American Live Stock Insurance Co. of Geneva, Ill.; free transportation to the buyer's ranch provided by Lathrop Livestock Transportation of Dundee, Ill.; and a flush and three embryo implants into the buyer's recipient cows from Trans Ova Genetics of Sioux Center, Iowa.

For more information, log on to www.angusfoundation.org.

Foundation will sponsor YCC representative

Every year, the Angus Foundation selects one participant to sponsor on the Young Cattlemen's Conference (YCC) tour. Sponsorship by the Foundation covers flight costs and registration fees. Incidental costs and meals are not covered by the Foundation sponsorship. The applicant must be between the ages of 25 and 50 and must also be a member of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA). This will be the fifth year the Angus Foundation has provided an opportunity for an Association member to attend YCC.

YCC provides a venue to help develop future leaders in the beef industry. The conference aids in developing leadership skills in our young Angus breeders and allows them to participate in a program that will expose them to many aspects of the cattle industry.

Beginning Nov. 1, applications for the 2007 YCC will be available at www.angusfoundation.org. Applications are due at the Foundation, postmarked on or before Friday, Jan. 5, 2007.

Make plans for the NWSS

It's not too soon to start making plans to attend the 2007 NWSS in Denver, Colo. Angus activities start Tuesday, Jan. 9, 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. 10, in the Stadium Arena.

On Thursday, Jan. 11, 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 Center for the Performing Arts. Due to renovation at the Denver Marriott, the reception location has changed this year, but shuttles will be available from the Marriott.

The super-point ROV bull show begins at 8 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 12, in the Stadium Arena. On Saturday, Jan. 13, Angus activities move to the yards with the carload and pen shows at 8:30 a.m., 30 minutes earlier than in previous years.

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 \$90 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.

