

Association Highlights

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Still time to register for National Angus Conference & Tour

It isn't too late to make plans to attend the National Angus Conference & Tour, set for Sept. 26-28 in Boise, Idaho. Although the early registration deadline has passed, those interested in attending can still register. The registration fee is \$100. Those who need to register can do so by contacting Linda Campbell at lcampbell@angus.org or (816) 383-5143.

To register online or to get complete event information, including a schedule, go to *www.nationalangusconference.com*.

Outreach Seminar set in Ohio

American Angus Association staff will conduct an Outreach Seminar Sept. 24 during the Ohio Angus Association field day in Tiffin, Ohio. The Seminar begins after lunch at approximately 1:30 p.m. at Kingsway Angus, following morning demonstrations beginning at 10 a.m. Association staff will talk about enhancements to current programs and the future of the industry. Contact the Association for more information.

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	
Applications for animals more than 12 months of age\$27	
TRANSFERS Applications received less than 30 days from sale date Applications received 30-60 days from sale date Applications received more than 60 days from sale date	
MISCELLANEOUS Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) fee (per weaning weight) Artificial insemination (Al) service certificate Regular annual membership \$30 Junior annual membership (less than 21 years of age) \$20 Embryo-transfer (ET) calf. Cell-clone transplant calf	

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
Λ	Cell clone	Х	Multiple defects, check list for kind
%	Split-ET	F	Tested for defect printed without
@	Clone-ET		producing abnormal calves
S	Syndactyly	GDF	Produced 35 or more calves from
Н	Double muscling		daughters without a genetic defect
D	Dwarfism		or genetic factor
М	Osteopetrosis	WT	Wild Type Color Gene
HI	Heterochromia irides		

Webcasts begin this month

In an effort to reach more Association members, educational Webcasts will begin Sept. 12. The hour-long Webcasts will take place the second Tuesday of each month, beginning at 8 p.m. Central time.

Conducted monthly to provide more information about Association programs and services, the educational programs will be posted via the Internet on a four-month trial basis. More information about this and future Webcasts can be found at *www.angus.org*.

National Western Bull Sale consignments due Oct. 1

Consignors have until Sept. 15 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 final entry deadline of Oct. 1, the fee is \$350 per head. Remember that all consignments must have Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIRSM) performance information to be eligible.

For more information call sale managers John Dickinson at (916) 806-1919, David Gazda at (706) 227-9098, or contact Linda Campbell at the Association at (816) 383-5143.

Make plans for Annual Meeting

Now is the time to make plans to attend the Association's 123rd Annual Convention of Delegates, which is set for Monday, Nov. 13, in Louisville, Ky. The Annual Meeting is conducted in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE), which includes a Super-Point Roll of Victory (ROV) Angus show. The election of officers and five members to the Association Board of Directors will highlight the Annual Meeting, scheduled for 2 p.m. at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center (KFEC). Elected delegates and other attendees will hear annual reports of the Association and its entities for fiscal year 2006.

The Annual Banquet will be Monday evening at the Executive West Hotel. Special honorees at the banquet will include the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) Outstanding Leadership Award winner and inductees into the Angus Heritage Foundation.

The Angus show schedule will follow the same schedule this year as it did last year. The junior show will be Sunday, Nov. 12; the Roll of Victory (ROV) bulls and cow-calf pairs will show Monday, Nov. 13; and ROV females will show Tuesday, Nov. 14.

NAILE exhibitors must enter by Oct. 1

If you plan to show at the 2006 NAILE this November, you will want to ensure your entries are in by Oct. 1. Premium catalogs and entry forms for exhibitors are available by contacting the NAILE office at (502) 595-3166. Entries may be mailed, submitted by fax at (502) 367-5299 or submitted on the Web site *www.livestockexpo.org.* Visa and MasterCard are accepted.

Hotel options in Louisville

The Executive West will serve as Angus headquarters for the Annual Meeting and all related events, but rooms there are reserved for delegates, alternates, and Association officers and directors. Anyone who doesn't fall into those categories is encouraged to make reservations at these nearby hotels, which are within walking distance of the Executive West.

- ► Executive Inn Hotel 1-800-626-2706
- Best Western Ashton Inn Suites (502) 375-2233
- ► Courtyard by Marriott (502) 368-5678
- ► Residence Inn by Marriott (502) 363-8800
- Howard Johnson's Express Inn (502) 363-9952
- ► Hampton Inn (502) 366-8100

Order summer show photos now

Summer is over, and it's time to gather photos from all those shows and events for scrapbooks, sale books, and fall and spring advertising. Photos of winning animals and other special awards from all summer shows that were attended by an Association representative are available from the Association.

Photos are available from the communications department from all shows attended by a regional manager or another Association staff member. These photos were likely used for publicity in your local paper and state Angus publication. Photos are available in sizes ranging from 4×6-inch (in.) to 8×10-in. and are priced affordably. To order call Lea Ann Maudlin at (816) 383-5100 or e-mail prphotos@angus.org.

Request sale day kits

When planning your fall production sales, don't forget to request your sale day kit from the Association's communications department. The kits contain posters for decorating your sale facilities as well as a sample of Association literature for you to distribute to your customers. Contact the communications department for your kit or order it online. Please allow two weeks for delivery.

Angus Foundation "Magic" continues in California



The Angus Foundation, along with hosts Jim and Sue Coleman of Vintage Angus Ranch, Modesto, Calif., will host a benefit 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 you another magical, memorable Angus fundraising event.

Please contact the Angus Foundation to request your personal invitation; the favor of a reply by Sept. 15 is appreciated. Attendees can help the event committee and the Angus Foundation achieve the \$100,000 goal with a suggested \$100 per person donation. See the advertisement in this issue for more information.

September concludes Angus Foundation's fiscal year

Sept. 30 is the end of the Angus Foundation's fiscal year. Contributors of \$250 or more will be invited to the Angus Foundation's Supporter Recognition Event Nov. 11 in Louisville. To make a donation to the Angus Foundation and ensure your invitation to the event in Louisville, contact Foundation President Milford Jenkins at (816) 383-5100 or visit

www.angusfoundation.org. All support to "The Magic of the Vine" fundraiser will count toward the \$250 required level to attend the supporter recognition event.

Don't forget these fall junior deadlines

- ► Oct. 1 is the entry deadline for the NAILE junior Angus show.
- ► Nov. 1 is the ownership deadline for the NWSS junior show.

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