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Stallo walked the group through several of the features within AAA Login (for more information on AAA Login features, check out the “Login Lowdown” column in the *Angus Journal*).

Here are a few tips he offered to make using AAA Login smoother.

- ▶ When you see a red error message, save the corrected data before moving to the cart. “We try to make those messages as meaningful as possible. Those will show up at the top. When they do, you need to correct the data and save it before it goes to the cart,” he clarified.
- ▶ AAA Login will populate the forms for you in certain cases. For example, if you are in the calf weaning entry screen and you start typing in the sire box, a drop-down list of your used sires will show up and you can just click on the desired bull.
- ▶ You can sort all of the headers within AAA Login by ascending or descending order to help find animals more quickly.
- ▶ You have the ability to store registrations electronically. If you choose yes to this option, it will default to that option unless you specify otherwise. Registrations stored electronically are easier to transfer, he added.

Stallo emphasized that AAA Login features are often built from suggestions from breeders.

“The way we make a tool better is to use feedback from people who use this on a day-to-day basis,” he noted. The Information Systems department can’t feasibly make features from all suggestions, but staff do look at what would benefit the most people. He made clear that suggestions and questions are always welcome.

— by Kasey Brown

Amen, Moser and Stallo spoke during the Breed Improvement Workshop Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 4. For more information about the Angus Means Business National Convention & Trade Show, visit the newsroom at www.angusconvention.com or watch the Nov. 17, 2014, edition of *The Angus Report* available at www.angus.org.



Convention Attendee Wins Yamaha Viking VI

Becky Billingsley, Keithville, La., is the winner of the 2015 side-by-side vehicle.

When David and Becky Billingsley traveled to Kansas City, Mo., from northwest Louisiana, they were expecting to gain a lot from the first-ever Angus Means Business National Convention & Trade Show — new friends and practical information for the ranch, and experience at the organization’s business meetings. They never guessed they would be bringing home a 2015 Yamaha Viking VI.

Thanks to a generous donation from Yamaha Motor Corp., U.S.A, the utility vehicle will make its new home at Billingsley Angus Farm in Keithville, La. With 600 pounds (lb.) of hauling and 1,500 lb. of towing capacity, the Yamaha Viking VI is made to be the toughest and most off-road-capable six-person side-by-side ever.

“The Viking VI giveaway was one of many highlights from the National Angus Convention & Trade Show,” says Becky Weishaar, Creative Media director for Angus Productions Inc. “Everyone who attended received at least one chance to win, and those who registered prior to Sept. 5 had three chances to win per registration. Our thanks to Yamaha for their support.”

The 2015 Viking VI has a suggested retail value of \$13,599. It combines Yamaha performance and durability with the comfort and convenience of a Viking — now with maximum headroom, legroom and shoulder room for six occupants. The drawing took place Nov. 6 during the American Angus Association’s Annual Meeting of Delegates.

David and Becky Billingsley have been raising Angus cattle in Louisiana for nearly 20 years. They raise Angus bulls to market to the commercial beef cattle industry, offering cattle through private treaty and regional consignment sales. This was their first time attending the National Angus Convention.

“I was impressed. I didn’t know it was going to be this big,” David Billingsley says. “Any time you go anywhere, you go to Denver, Montana or Texas and you walk in, you see all your friends, you really feel at home.”

About 2,000 Angus cattlemen, commercial producers and others attended the Nov. 4-6 event in Kansas City, resulting in a record-setting turnout for the organization’s annual business meetings and first-ever trade show. Participants from across the country enjoyed educational sessions, networking opportunities and plenty of fun.

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— by Jena McRell, digital editor



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