

# National Western Nears

Make plans to attend the annual tradition

Jan. 11-14, in Denver, Colo.

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The National Western Stock Show (NWSS), a 106-year-old celebration of the spirit and history of the livestock business, is a premier event for Angus enthusiasts. Hundreds will make the trip to Denver, Colo., this January to participate in four days of Angus shows, sales and other activities.

For those staying at the NWSS Angus headquarters, a shuttle will once again be provided between the Denver Marriott City Center Hotel and the NWSS from Wednesday through Saturday, each morning and evening on a space-available basis.

While at the NWSS, stop by the Listening Post in the Yards, where American Angus Association and Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) staff members will be available daily to visit with producers about Association programs and the cattle industry.

## Big day Wednesday

The Super-Point Roll of Victory (ROV)

Angus Bull Show will kick off Angus activities at 8 a.m. Jan. 11 in the Stadium Arena. Doug Worthington, Modesto, Calif., will evaluate the ROV entries.

The National Western Angus Bull Sale Show follows at 12 noon in the Stadium Arena. A panel of three judges will evaluate the bulls using a composite system to establish a sale order. Judges are Paul Bennett, Red House, Va.; Bill Davis, Sidney, Mont.; and Matt Perrier, Eureka, Kan.

Attendees will be invited into the showing to inspect bulls after the grand and reserve grand champions have been selected.

Following the bull show, the 2012 Angus Foundation Heifer Package will sell at 3:30 p.m. in the Beef Palace Auction Arena at the Stock Show Complex. Immediately after, the National Western Angus Bull Sale will begin — approximately 4 p.m.

Eddie Burks, Park City, Ky., will serve as auctioneer during the sale, which is managed

by the Association. A sale book is available at [www.angusjournal.com](http://www.angusjournal.com) or by contacting the Association at 816-383-5100.

Events wrap up at 7 p.m. with an “Angus Night on the Mountain” at the Spruce Mountain Ranch. The event is free and open to anyone. Spruce Mountain Ranch will provide bus transportation to and from the ranch; however, the ranch will open at 3 p.m. for those who would like to drive out early and see the facility before dinner begins at 7 p.m. Buses will pick up attendees at the Denver Marriott City Center Hotel and NWSS starting at 5:30 p.m.

Following dinner, the Angus Foundation will auction off a limited number of packages, such as family vacations, hunting or fishing outings, cruises, leisure trips and weekend getaways (see page 44). The 2012 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) committee will also sell items at the event to raise funds for the show. The list of Angus Foundation and 2012 NJAS packages can be found at [www.angusfoundation.org](http://www.angusfoundation.org).

In addition, this auction will feature an elite 12 lots of Spruce Mountain Ranch’s finest Angus genetics.

## Shows finish out week

Angus activities begin at 8 a.m. Jan. 12

## Angus events and other items of interest at the 2012 National Western Stock Show

(All times are Mountain Time)

### Saturday, Jan. 7

- 8 a.m. 4-H/FFA Livestock Judging Contest — CSU, Fort Collins, Colo.
- 8 a.m. 4-H/FFA Meats Judging Contest — CSU, Fort Collins, Colo.

### Sunday, Jan. 8

- 8 a.m. 4-H/FFA Livestock & Meat Judging Contest awards breakfast — National Western Club

### Monday, Jan. 9

- 8 a.m. 2012 International Livestock Congress (ILC) Tours (see [www.nationalwestern.com/international/ilc-2012-agenda.aspx](http://www.nationalwestern.com/international/ilc-2012-agenda.aspx) for more)
- 6 p.m. Exhibitors’ Social — Stockyards Arena
- 7:30 p.m. PBR Touring Pro Finale — Coliseum

### Tuesday, Jan. 10

- 8 a.m. 2012 ILC: Beef’s Greatest Challenge: Feeding the World (see [www.nationalwestern.com/international/ilc-2012-agenda.aspx](http://www.nationalwestern.com/international/ilc-2012-agenda.aspx) for more)
- 7:30 p.m. PBR Touring Pro Finale, Team Penning Finals — Coliseum

### Wednesday, Jan. 11

- 8 a.m. ROV Angus Bull Show — Stadium Arena
- noon Angus Bull Sale Show — Stadium Arena
- 3:30 p.m. Sale of Angus Foundation Heifer Package — BPAA
- National Western Angus Bull Sale — BPAA
- 7 p.m. Angus Night on the Mountain (Foundation fundraiser) — Spruce Mountain Ranch
- 7 p.m. PBR Touring Pro Finale-Finals — Coliseum

### Thursday, Jan. 12

- 8 a.m. Junior Angus Heifer Show — Stadium Arena
- 8 a.m. Collegiate Livestock Judging Contest — Coliseum
- 2 p.m. Denim & Diamonds Sale Cattle Display — Expo Hall, Level 1
- 5 p.m. Denim & Diamonds Sale — BPAA
- 7 p.m. Trowbridge Family & Friends Sale, LCAA
- 7 p.m. ProRodeo featuring Miss Rodeo Colorado coronation — Coliseum

### Friday, Jan. 13

- 7:30 a.m. Collegiate Carload Judging Contest — Coliseum
- 8 a.m. ROV Angus Female Show — Stadium Arena
- 8 a.m. AQHA Working Ranch Horse Classic — Coliseum
- 2:30 p.m. Colorado Angus Ass’n Foundation Female Sale — LCAA
- 7:30 p.m. ProRodeo featuring U.S. Industry Leader of the Year — Coliseum
- 10 p.m. All Hill cattle must be out of the barn

### Saturday, Jan. 14

- 8 a.m. Carload & Pen Shows — LCAA
- 9 a.m. Herd Sire Display Opens — Yards
- 11 a.m. ProRodeo — Coliseum
- 3:30 p.m. ProRodeo — Coliseum
- 5 p.m. National Western’s New Wild West Show — Events Center
- 6 p.m. Collegiate Judging Contest Awards
- 8 p.m. ProRodeo — Coliseum

BPAA=Beef Palace Auction Arena; CSU=Colorado State University; LCAA=Livestock Center Auction Arena

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with the junior heifer show in the Stadium Arena. Brett Barber, Channing, Texas, will judge the junior show.

The ROV show resumes Jan. 13 with the female show set to begin at 8 a.m. in the Stadium Arena. Worthington will again evaluate entries.

Angus activities conclude Jan. 14 with the pen and carload show in the Yards. The event begins at 8 a.m. in the Livestock Center Auction Arena. Jonathan Perry, Fayetteville,

Tenn.; Rick Blanchard, Firebaugh, Calif.; and Jeff Gooden, Iberia, Mo., will serve on the three-judge panel evaluating the group competitions.

Immediate show results will be available at [www.angus.org/showresults](http://www.angus.org/showresults), which may be accessed through mobile phones, depending on phone capabilities.

After the show, visit [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org) for complete coverage.

For more information about Angus cattle

and the Association's programs and services, visit [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org).



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