Make Plans for 2016 National Western Stock Show

The 110-year-old tradition continues in Denver, Colo., with Angus events Jan. 13-16, 2016.

or many individuals and families, the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver, Colo., is an extension of their holiday celebrations. The NWSS is a cherished tradition that dates back more than a century, and thousands are expected to travel to the National Western throughout the month of January.

Angus events kick off Jan. 13 and continue through the week with the annual NWSS Angus Bull Sale, Super-Point Roll of Victory (ROV) Shows, the Junior Angus Heifer Show, as well as special events hosted by the Angus Foundation.

"The best of the Angus breed come together to compete at the National Western Stock Show each year," says Jaclyn Clark, American Angus Association director of events and education. "New this year, we look forward to hosting the first Angus Heifer Pen Show on Saturday, Jan. 16, down in the Yards."

For years, the carload and pen Angus bull show has been a unique tradition at the NWSS, and now exhibitors are able to showcase their registered-Angus heifers in the competition that ranks their ability to present a uniform group of cattle.

While walking through the Yards, be sure to stop by the Angus Tent, where Association, Angus Genetics Inc. (AGI) and Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) staff members will be on hand to visit about the latest programs and news from the organization.

ROV Angus shows

Angus activities begin with the Angus Bull Sale Show at 8 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13, in the Stadium Arena. A panel of three judges will evaluate the bulls using a composite system to establish a sale order. Judges are Scott Bayer, Ringle, Wis.; Mark Nikkel, Maple Hill, Kan.; and Jake Tiedeman, North Platte, Neb. Attendees will be invited into the showring to inspect bulls after the grand and reserve grand champions have been selected.

Immediately after, the ROV Angus Bull Show is scheduled to begin at 11:30 a.m. in Stadium Arena. Judges Jeff Dameron, Towanda, Ill., and Chris Cassady, Tuscola, Ill., will evaluate the ROV entries. The Junior Angus Heifer Show begins at 8 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 14, in Stadium Arena. Brad Winegardner, Lima, Ohio, will judge the junior show. The next day, ROV Angus females enter the ring, judged again by Dameron and Cassady.

The NWSS Angus Pen and Carload Show takes place Saturday, Jan. 16. The show begins with the bull carloads at 8 a.m. in the Livestock Center Auction Arena, followed by the Angus heifer pens and Angus bull pens. Arlen Sawyer, Bassett, Neb.; Doug Slattery, Chappell Hill, Texas; and Phil Trowbridge, Ghent, N.Y., will serve on the three-judge panel evaluating the group competitions.

Immediate show results will be available online at *www.angus.org* and may be accessed through the Association's smartphone application, Angus Mobile. A complete event schedule, showring videos, event photos and breaking news alerts are also available by downloading the app.

Angus events and sales

Following the bull shows Jan. 13, the 2016 Angus Foundation Heifer Package will sell at 3:30 p.m. in the Beef Palace Auction Arena at the Stock Show Complex. Immediately after, at approximately 4 p.m., the National Western Angus Bull Sale begins. Rick Machado of Arroyo Grande, Calif., will serve as auctioneer for the sale, which is managed by the Association.

Evening events wrap up at 7 p.m. Jan. 13 with Angus Night on the Mountain at Spruce Mountain Ranch. A fundraising event for the Angus Foundation, the night is free and open to the public. Spruce Mountain Ranch will provide bus transportation to and from the ranch. Two buses will pick up attendees on a first-come, first-served basis at the NWSS following the Angus Bull Sale and Marriott from 5:30-5:45 p.m. Visit www.angusfoundation.org for more information as it becomes available.

The Angus headquarters hotel, the Marriott City Center, offers a shuttle that travels to the NWSS daily, Jan. 13-16, each morning and evening. A complete schedule of NWSS Angus events is at right.

2016 National Western Stock Show Angus Schedule

Monday, Jan. 11

8 a.m. Angus check-in of Hill

cattle — Angus Hill stalls

Noon Angus check-in of Yard

cattle — Yards tent behind Stockyards Arena

6 p.m. Herdsman social —

Stockyards Saloon

Tuesday, Jan. 12

5 p.m. Bases Loaded Sale — Coors Field

Wednesday, Jan. 13

8 a.m.-5 p.m. Listening Post — Yards Angus

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8 a.m. NWSS Angus Bull Sale

Show — Stadium Arena

11:30 a.m. Super-Point ROV Angus

Bull Show — Stadium Arena

3:30 p.m. Angus Foundation Heifer

Package Sale — Beef Palace

Auction Arena

4:00 p.m. NWSS Angus Bull Sale —

Beef Palace Auction Arena

7:00 p.m. Angus Night on the Mountain

- Spruce Mountain Angus

Ranch

Thursday, Jan. 14

8 a.m.-5 p.m. Listening Post — Yards Angus

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8 a.m. Junior Angus Heifer Show

Stadium Arena

5 p.m. Denim & Diamonds Sale —

Beef Palace Auction Arena

6:30 p.m. Trowbridge Family of

Friends Sale — Livestock

Center Auction Arena

Friday, Jan. 15

8 a.m.-5 p.m. Listening Post — Yards Angus

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8 a.m. Super-Point ROV Angus

Female Show — Stadium Arena

2:30 p.m. Foundation Female Sale —

Livestock Center Auction Arena

Saturday, Jan. 16

8 a.m.-5 p.m. Listening Post — Yards Angus

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8 a.m. Angus Pen & Carload Show

Livestock Center Auction

Arena