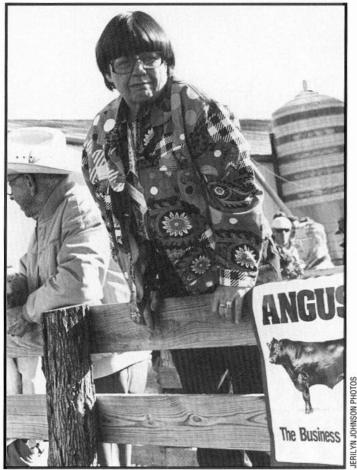
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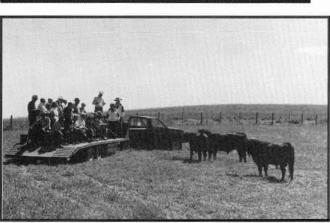
Enid Fisher of Australia gets a better view of Angus cattle at the Leo Derks Farm near King City, Mo.



Angus Across America Tour participants inspect an Angus bull at the Derks Farm.



Chris Derks answers breeder questions on his farm's alfalfa and forage program.



A pasture tour provides a good look at Angus bulls and forage on the Neill Farm near Corning, Iowa.



Ralph Neill (left, with microphone) explains his farming operation to breeders on the tour.

RALPH NEILL FARM

NICHOLS FARMS — IOWA



Nichols Farms' performance genetics and practical production practices were viewed by tour participants.



Dave Nichols, Bridgewater, Iowa, receives a thank you and plaque from John Crouch of the American Angus Association.

"America is a wonderful country and its people more so."

- Hazel & Alan German, England



The Nebraska Angus Association sponsored an Angus cattle exhibit and hospitality tent at Husker Harvest Days.

HUSKER HARVEST DAYS



An innovative cattle corral system was one of the many exhibits at Husker Harvest Days Farm Show in Nebraska.



Lew Smit of Australia is interviewed by a U.S. farm broadcaster at the farm show.



Angus cattle exhibits are a popular attraction at the farm show.

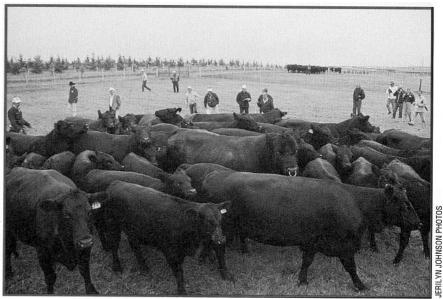
SUMMITCREST FARMS



Jake and Eleanor White of Oklahoma (left) and Pat Simmons of North Carolina visit at Summitcrest Farms.



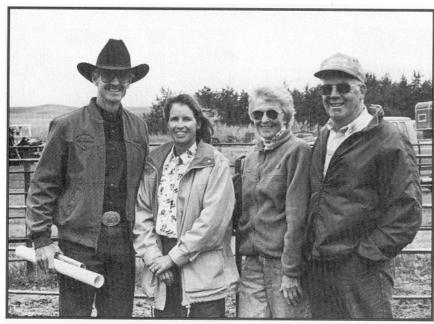
Summitcrest cowboys gather cattle for the Angus Across America Tour.



Visitors inspect a pen of Angus at Summitcrest Ranch near Broken Bow, Neb.

"The weather changes rapidly here on the Plains, eh?"

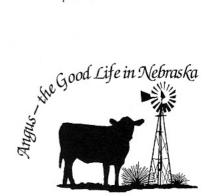
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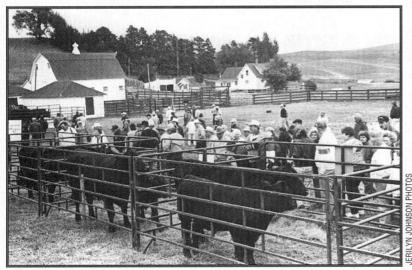
Dave and Loretta Hamilton (left) welcome fellow stewardship award winners Lawrason and Jane Sayre, Churchville, Md., to their Nebraska Sandhills ranch.



Christa and Julie Hamilton display their horsemanship skills.



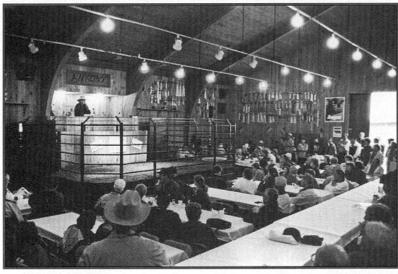
PETE BECKER RANCH



Angus cattle from several western Nebraska herds were on display at the Becker Ranch near Ashby.

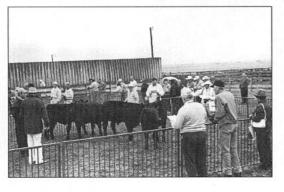
"How many bottles of Grouse can a Scotsman store in his suitcase?!"

ANKONY ANGUS CORP., INC.



(Above): The Ankony Angus sale barn provided a warm, dry spot for breakfast and learning more about Ankony's breeding program.

(Right): Tour participants take mental and written notes on this pen of Ankony bull calves.





Pete and Lassie Becker receive a thank you and bottle of Grouse from James Playfair-Hannay of Scotland.



Cowboy songs, poetry and cookin' make the Becker's barn party a hit.



Keith Stevenson gets performance data on this Baldridge Angus bull.

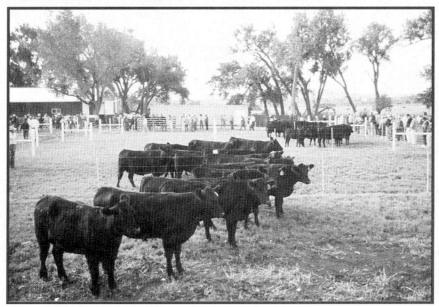


Brian Angus (left) of South Africa discusses the cattle business with Keith Stevenson and Don and Pamala Nicol of Australia.

"How many pounds of steaks, beans and potato salad will feed a group of hungry Angus breeders?!"

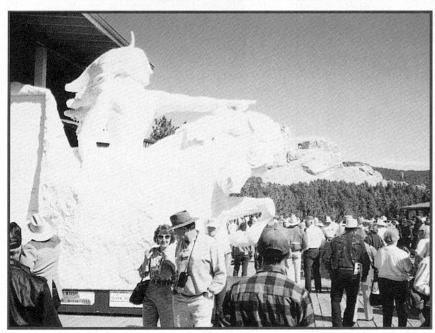
BLACK HILLS ANGUS TOUR

MT. RUSHMORE ANGUS RANCH



Another quality lineup of Angus cattle was seen at Mt. Rushmore Angus Ranch near Hermosa, S.D.

CUSTER STATE PARK/CRAZY HORSE



Tour participants enjoy a sunny day and lunch stop at Crazy Horse Monument. The mountain carving is in the background.

"Bison – 2 o'clock!"

Almost as popular as Angus on the tour were South Dakota's bison.



Milo Rypkema explains his ranch's breeding program.



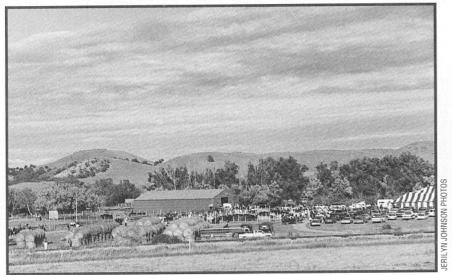
The tour crowd doubled in size and enthusiasm at Mt. Rushmore Angus Ranch.



Native American art and craftsmanship are admired by Angus breeders.



BAKERS-LEMAR ANGUS RANCH



"This is prime cattle country!" Blue skies, endless prairie, and more good food and hospitality made the tour stop at Bakers a memorable event.



This South Dakota cowboy helps hitch up a team of horses on tour day.

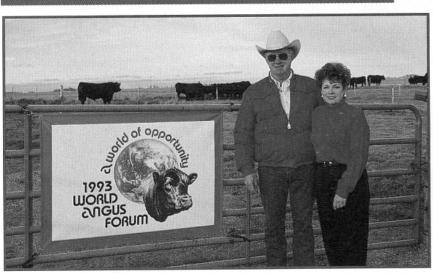


A mule-powered wagon ride was enjoyed by Cecil and Vi Davis of Missouri and Bonnie Lou Wampler of Virginia.



A group of cow-calf pairs were sorted at Bakers LEMAR for all to see.

BON VIEW HIGHLIGHTS SHORT TOUR BON VIEW FARMS



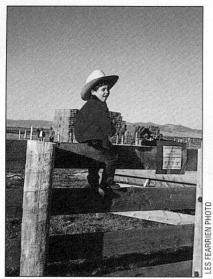
Howard and JoAnne Hillman, Canova, S.D., display their pride in hosting an Angus Across America Tour stop.



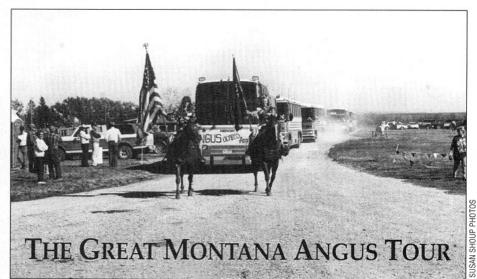
Jim Shirley, AAA regional manager, introduces Howard Hillman to short tour participants.



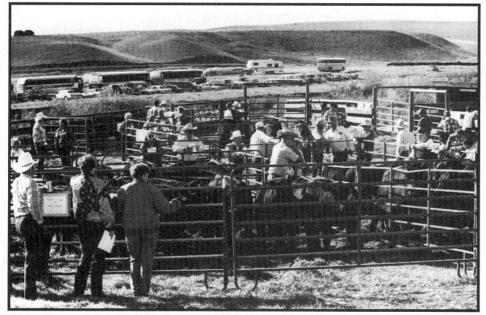
More food, folks and fun . . .



This little buckaroo had the best seat on the ranch.



Montana Angus royalty Mardi Linhart, left, and Denice Vennes greeted tourists in grand entry style. The two horses, 10 buses and a slew of automobiles entered Turner's Green Valley Ranch in parade form for stop number three of the six-stop Montana tour.



"I came away with many memories and much food for thought. The enthusiasm for the Angus breed in the USA is an inspiration to us all."

— Robert Anderson Scotland

Angus Across America tourists look over the display cattle at Wayne and Marian Stevenson's Basin Angus Ranch, Hobson. Guests worldwide enjoyed the pleasant weather, outstanding cattle and grand Montana hospitality at the six ranches visited.



Rain, snow, or this herd of Angus couldn't stop the Angus Across America tour buses from getting to their destination — Basin Angus Ranch.



It was standing room only at Ahlgren Angus Ranch.