



Performance Report

► Bull test reports and other performance-related items

▣ OBI Angus Test No. 92

Stillwater, Okla.

84-day report (Nov. 13)

High ADG Angus—Lot 7113; owner: H&H Land & Cattle LLC, Vinita, Okla.; sire: H&H L&C Phoenix 5045; ADG: 6.37 lb.; wt.: 1,590 lb.

Angus averages (49 head)—ADG: 4.80 lb.; wt.: 1,218 lb.

For more information contact Tim Stidham, station manager, at 405-624-1181 or okbeef@provalue.net; or Bob Kropp, Oklahoma State University professor of animal science, at 405-744-9287. Reports are available on the test web site at www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/obi.

▣ North Carolina BCIP Bull Test

Butner, N.C.

112-day final report (Nov. 17)

Bulls on the North Carolina Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Bull Test at Butner went on test July 28. Final weights were taken Nov. 17.

High-ADG Angus (tie)—Lot 10; owner: Darch Dale, Douglas Darch, Wake Forest, N.C.; sire: GAR Expectation 4915; ADG: 4.51 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 3.13 lb.; WDA ratio: 102; wt.: 1,291 lb.; frame: 6.2

High-ADG (tie) and high-WDA Angus—Lot 26; owner: Overcash Angus, Dennis Overcash, Mooresville, N.C.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 4.51 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 3.79 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,438 lb.; frame: 7.1

Angus averages (53 head)—ADG: 3.62 lb.; WDA: 3.06 lb.; wt.: 1,253 lb.

Overall averages (58 head)—ADG: 3.62 lb.; WDA: 3.07 lb.; wt.: 1,264 lb.

The testing period ended Nov. 17. Qualifying

bulls were eligible for sale Dec. 18 at the Granville County Livestock Arena, Oxford. For more information contact station manager Dean Askew at 919-471-6872 or Gary Gregory, bull test supervisor, at 919-515-4027 or gary_gregory@ncsu.edu. Test information can be found at www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/animal/bcip/Ahbcip.html.

▣ Calhoun Bull Evaluation

Calhoun, Ga.

112-day final report (Nov. 17)

Ted Dyer, Extension animal scientist-beef cattle at the University of Georgia reports on the 112-day report for the 2009 Calhoun Bull Evaluation Program.

The average daily gains (ADG) during the final 28-day period continue to improve, with few exceptions. The ADGs finished at 3.88 lb. per day.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 32; owner: Emilan Angus, Lanny Benson, La Fayette, Ga.; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 4.56 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; WDA: 3.26 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; wt.: 1,400 lb.; SC: 36.5 cm

High-WDA Angus—Lot 84; owner: Meldon Farm, Melvin Porter, Jefferson, Ga.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 4.06 lb.; ADG ratio: 105; WDA: 3.77 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,415 lb.; SC: 38.5 cm

Angus averages (76 head)—ADG: 3.86 lb.; WDA: 3.30 lb.; wt.: 1,328 lb.

Overall averages (102 head)—ADG: 3.88 lb.; WDA: 3.30 lb.; wt.: 1,309 lb.

This report, along with other reports, can be accessed electronically by going to www.tifton.uga.edu/pc-web.

Qualifying bulls were sold at the test sale

Dec. 11. If you have any questions or have any problems accessing the report online, contact Dyer by phone at 706-624-1403 or by e-mail at tgdyer@uga.edu.

▣ Clemson Bull Test

Simpson Experiment Station, Pendleton, S.C.

84-day report (Dec. 1)

The 40 bulls on the 2010 Clemson Bull Test gained an average of 4.31 lb. per day during the last 28 days and have an average WDA of 3.25 lb.

“Health of the bulls has been very good,” reports Larry Olson, Extension animal scientist and bull testing program coordinator. “Yearling scrotal and ultrasound measurements were taken on all senior bulls on Nov. 3.”

Junior bulls were born Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 2008. Senior bulls were born Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 2008.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 4; owner: MPAC Angus, Marvin Zeigler, Bamberg, S.C.; sire: Boyd On Target 1083; ADG: 4.82 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 3.48 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,550 lb.; SC: 33.9 cm

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 1; owner: MPAC Angus, Marvin Zeigler, Bamberg, S.C.; sire: TC Grid Topper 355; ADG: 3.81 lb.; ADG ratio: 98; WDA: 3.90 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,570 lb.; SC: 41.7 cm

High-ADG and High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 29; owner: Trax Cattle, Saint George, S.C.; sire: HA Power Alliance 1025; ADG: 5.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 3.88 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,520 lb.

Senior Angus averages (21 head)—ADG: 3.88 lb.; WDA: 3.22 lb.; wt.: 1,383 lb.

WCA/WSU Bull Test Report

Ninety-two bulls owned by 33 breeders from three states were weighed on test Nov. 4 and 5, 2009, at the Washington State University (WSU) Irrigated Agriculture Research and Extension Center in Prosser, Wash. These bulls ranged in weight between 647 pounds (lb.) and 1,185 lb., with an average weight of 855 lb. Five bulls weighed more than 1,000 lb. The 17th annual all-breed test, jointly sponsored by Washington Cattlemen's Association (WCA) and WSU, includes 52 Angus, nine Red Angus, 10 Simmental, five SimAngus, five Horned and Polled Hereford, six ChiAngus, and five Balancers. Bulls are preconditioned at the ranch by their owners and receive a series of booster shots upon arrival to minimize health problems.

Test bulls are started on mostly chopped hay and a small amount of concentrate gradually added during the three-week pretest warmup period. Once the 120-day test begins, corn silage replaces half of the hay on a dry-weight basis to produce a diet similar to a feedlot growing ration, which allows bulls to express their individual genetic potential for both growth and carcass merit.

When the bulls come off test, the grain is removed from the ration. Bulls harden on an all roughage ration and are ready to breed cows for their new owners following the March 24, 2010, sale at the research center. A presale social with a nationally recognized speaker on a topic of current interest will take place the night before the sale. Handling equipment and electronic scales were added to the facility from corporate sponsors Big R Supply, Powder River Equipment and donations from the WCA/WSU booster foundation.

Key personnel for the test and sale include Pete Jacoby, test manager; Matt Hayter, herdsman; Charlie Gaskins, animal scientist and test data coordinator; Gary Kendall, sale manager; and Sharon Taff, records assistant. Cattlemen wishing to receive progress reports and catalogs can access them online through the WCA/WSU web site bull sale link, or at www.prosser.wsu.edu. Reports are also available by mail by calling Sharon Taff at 509-786-9220 or the sale manager, Kendall Cattle Sales at 208-858-2163 or kendall@potlatch.com.

▣ PERFORMANCE REPORT

Junior Angus averages (7 head)—ADG: 4.61 lb.; WDA: 3.38 lb.; wt.: 1,296 lb.

Overall averages (40 head)—ADG: 4.03 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,340 lb.

Final 112-day weights will be collected Dec. 28. Qualifying bulls will sell Feb. 6, 2010, at the Garrison Livestock Arena Cattle Complex, Clemson. For more information contact Olson at 803-284-3343, ext. 231, or visit the test web site at www.clemson.edu/edisto/cubt/cubt.htm.

▣ Virginia BCIA Culpeper Senior Bull Test Glenmary Farm, Rapidan, Va.

112-day final report (Nov. 3, 2009)

Eighty-five Angus bulls were among the 93 bulls weighed Nov. 3 for the Virginia Bull Cattle Improvement Association (BCIA) Culpeper Senior Test. The senior test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2008. Junior bulls born Dec. 1, 2008, through March 31, 2009, were scheduled to begin their test Nov. 16-17, 2009.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 4; owner: Edgewood Angus, Pete Henderson, Williamsburg, Va.; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 5.76 lb.; ADG ratio: 138; wt.: 1,470 lb.

Angus averages (85 head)—ADG: 4.18 lb.; wt.: 1,309 lb.

Overall averages (93 head)—ADG: 4.13 lb.; wt.: 1,308 lb.

Qualifying bulls in the senior test were sold Dec. 12 at the Glenmary Farm, Rapidan, Va. For more information contact station owner Tom Nixon at 540-672-7396 or Virginia Tech's Scott Greiner at 540-231-9163 or sgreiner@vt.edu or visit the test web site at http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu/reports/09/09_weightreport_csr.html.

▣ Oklahoma Panhandle State University Bull Test

Goodwell, Okla.

56-day report (Dec. 5, 2009)

High-ADG and high-indexing senior

Angus—Lot 9-2; owner: B&M Angus, Edmond, Okla.; sire: Spur Success 2801; ADG: 6.93 lb.; ADG ratio: 141; WDA: 3.29 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; wt.: 1,332 lb.; test index: 125

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 24-3; owner: Tim Meier, Hitchcock, Okla.; sire: Bar M New Design 5188; ADG: 5.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; WDA: 3.79 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,327 lb.; test index: 119

High-ADG and high-indexing junior

Angus—Lot 15-1; owner: OPSU Angus, Goodwell, Okla.; sire: B&M Right Time 667; ADG: 5.84 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.62 lb.; WDA ratio: 107; wt.: 1,100 lb.; test index: 121

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 29-3; owner: Wink Farms, Panhandle, Texas; sire: PL in Focus 376; ADG: 5.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 125;

WDA: 3.88 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,152 lb.; test index: 120

High-ADG junior Angus pen—owner: OPSU Angus, Goodwell, Okla.; sire: B&M Right Time 667; avg. ADG: 4.91 lb.; avg. ADG ratio: 114; avg. WDA: 3.50 lb.; avg. WDA ratio: 104; pen F:G: 4.89:1

High-ADG senior Angus pen—owner: B&M Angus, Edmond, Okla.; sire: Spur Success 2801; avg. ADG: 5.70 lb.; avg. ADG ratio: 116; avg. WDA: 2.90 lb.; avg. WDA ratio: 96; pen F:G: 5.11:1

Angus averages (78 head)—ADG: 4.50 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.

Overall averages (83 head)—ADG: 4.49 lb.; WDA: 3.08 lb.

The test index is 50% ADG, 50% WDA. Upon completion of the 112-day test, the top end of the bulls will be consigned to the 58th Annual OPSU Performance Tested Bull Sale, which is set for Feb. 22 at 1 p.m. in the England Activity Building at the University Farm, Goodwell, Okla.

For more information contact Gwen Martin, Animal Science Department, at 580-349-1500.

▣ University of Tennessee Senior Bull Test Spring Hill, Tenn.

84-day final report (Dec. 1, 2009)

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High-ADG Angus—Lot 19; owner: Four Hills Farms, Centerville, Tenn.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 5.83 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.70 lb.; WDA ratio: 106; wt.: 1,640 lb.; frame: 6.8; SC: 39.5 cm

High-WDA Angus—Lot 14; owner: Chimney Top Angus LLC, Johnson City, Tenn.; sire: Vermilion Payweight J847; ADG: 3.73 lb.; ADG ratio: 85; WDA: 4.17 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,635 lb.; frame: 7.7; SC: 38.5 cm

Overall and Angus average (64 head)—ADG: 5.07 lb.; WDA: 3.48 lb.; wt: 1,452 lb.

Qualifying bulls will be eligible to sell in the Senior Bull Test Sale scheduled for Jan. 21, 2010, at the Middle Tennessee Experiment Station, Spring Hill, Tenn. For more information contact David Kirkpatrick at 865-974-7294 or fkirkpat@utk.edu.

103rd LSU Beef Bull Evaluation Test Alexandria, La.

28-day report (Nov. 25)

Danny Coombs reported from the Dean Lee Livestock Testing Station that gains were variable during the first period, but he expects them to level out in the next period. The ADG of the group was 3.66 lb. per day.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 1; owner: Pinehill Farm, Shreveport, La.; sire: Riverbend Mile High 3718; ADG: 5.07 lb.; wt.: 1,016 lb.

Angus average (26 head)—ADG: 3.30 lb.; wt: 854 lb.

Overall average (68 head)—ADG: 3.66 lb.; wt: 823 lb.

The second 28-day period was scheduled to end Dec. 23, 2009. A progress report will be sent out shortly thereafter. For more information contact Coombs at dcoombs@agcenter.lsu.edu.

St. Croix Valley Bull Test University of Wisconsin—River Falls, Mann Valley Farm

30-day report (Nov. 30, 2009)

The St. Croix Valley Bull Test is under way for the 2009-2010 season. The test is being conducted at the University of Wisconsin—River Falls (UWRF) Mann Valley Farm. The sale will again be held at the UWRF and is scheduled for April 17, 2010.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 1-2; owner: PAK Angus, Phil Ketterhagen, Burlington, Wis.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 5.47 lb.; ADG ratio: 157; WDA: 3.65 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 994 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 2-1; owner: Goodrich Place Inc., Mike & Claudine Goodrich, Emerald, Wis.; sire: GAR New Design 5050; ADG: 4.93 lb.; ADG ratio: 142; WDA: 3.92 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,120 lb.

Angus averages (46 head)—ADG: 3.47 lb.; WDA: 3.23 lb.; wt.: 818 lb.

For more information, contact Phil Ketterhagen, publicity director, at 262-763-9323 or pakangus@tds.net.

SIUC Bull Test

Carbondale, Ill.

56-day report (Nov. 24, 2009)

The 35th Annual Performance Tested Bull Test at Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIUC) is under way. Forty bulls representing breeders in two states were weighed on test Oct. 22-23.

The test station is using ADM Stressfighter 10 as the starter ration this year and all bulls trained well and are healthy. Moreover, the growing ration has been changed and is a corn/byproduct-based ration along with 4 lb.-6 lb. of hay.

High-ADG and best F/G Angus—Lot 2; owner: Neubauer Farms, Shirley, Ill.; sire: SAV Bismarck 5682; ADG: 7.21 lb.; ADG ratio: 148; F:G: 4.30:1; F:G ratio: 153; wt.: 1,170 lb.

Angus averages (30 head)—ADG: 4.87 lb.; F:G: 6.56:1; wt.: 972 lb.

The bulls were scheduled to be reweighed Dec. 22. For more information contact George Wiedlocher at 618-201-6838 or bullman@siu.edu, or Rebecca Atkinson at 618-453-5000 or ratkinsn@siu.edu. Information is also available on the test web site at www.bulltest.siu.edu.

North Carolina BCIP Bull Test Waynesville, N.C.

112-day final report (Nov. 2, 2009)

Bulls on the North Carolina Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Bull Test at Waynesville went on test Aug. 10-11. Bulls were born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2008.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 72; owner: Miller Angus Farms, Warren Miller, Jefferson, N.C.; sire: GAR Retail Product; ADG: 4.85 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.49 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,565 lb.; frame: 6.5; SC: 39.0 cm; test index: 113

High-WDA Angus—Lot 54; owner: J&M Windy Acres, Mike Connatser, Maryville, Tenn.; sire: GAR New Design 5050; ADG: 4.30 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 3.80 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,405 lb.; frame: 7.1; SC: 39.5 cm; test index: 114

Angus averages (37 head)—ADG: 3.85 lb.; WDA: 3.23 lb.; wt.: 1,335 lb.

Overall averages (41 head)—ADG: 3.85 lb.; WDA: 3.23 lb.; wt.: 1,327 lb.

Bulls were to be weighed off test Dec. 1. Qualifying bulls are scheduled to sell Jan. 9, 2010, at the Haywood County Agricultural Office Building, Waynesville. For more information contact station manager Danny Hyatt at 828-456-3943 or Gary Gregory, bull test supervisor, at 919-515-4027 or gary_gregory@ncsu.edu. Test information can be found at www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/animal/bcip/Ahbcip.html.

