■ Edisto Forage Bull Test Blackville, N.C.

On-test report (Dec. 10, 2012)

The 2013 Edisto Forage Bull Test got a great start Dec. 10 in Blackville after the delivery of 47 bulls Nov. 30, says Scott Sell, new area livestock/forage extension agent and bull test coordinator. Bulls that were treated upon arrival for respiratory issues have cleared up, and all bulls seem to be in great health.

Interim weights were scheduled for Jan. 8, Feb. 5, March 5, April 2 and April 30, with offtest weights May 28-29.

Sell can be contacted at 803-284-3343 ext. 223 (office); 803-450-0995 (cell) or gsell@ clemson.edu.

The test sale is scheduled for Oct. 12, 2013.

North Carolina BCIP Bull Test Mountain Research Station, Waynesville, N.C. 112-day final report (Nov. 26, 2012)

The 112-day Waynesville Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Bull Test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2011. Bulls were

To access a state-by-state listing of current central bull tests, visit our virtual library online at www.api-virtuallibrary.com/CentralBullTests.htm. The listing includes contact information, links to test websites, current test schedules and dates of upcoming tests.

accepted July 25 for an on-test date of Aug. 6-7. There were 48 bulls overall, 35 of them Angus.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 57; owner: King Angus Farm, Dwight King, Piney Flats, Tenn.; sire: GVF Forward 9042; ADG: 4.29 lb.; ADG ratio: 121; WDA: 3.17 lb.; WDA ratio: 104; wt.: 1,168 lb.; test index: 108; frame: 7.4; SC: 34 cm

High-WDA Angus-Lot 53; owner: H&H Farm, Buddy Hamrick, Boiling Springs; sire: Hilltops Design Maker 008; ADG: 3.73 lb.; ADG ratio: 105; WDA: 3.54 lb.; WDA ratio:

116; wt.: 1,353 lb.; test index: 114; frame: 6.9; SC: 35 cm

High-indexing Angus—Lot 79; owner: Williams Angus, George Williams, Gray, Tenn.; Sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 4.24 lb.; ADG ratio: 120; WDA: 3.41 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,568 lb.; test index: 116; frame: 6.2; SC: 34 cm

Angus averages (35 head)—ADG: 3.54 lb.; WDA: 3.04 lb.; wt.: 1,224 lb.

Overall averages (48 head)—ADG: 3.57 lb.; WDA: 2.99 lb.; wt.: 1,218 lb.

The test sale was scheduled for Jan. 5 at the Haywood County Agricultural Office Building, Waynesville. For more information, contact Gary Gregory at 919-515-4027, fax: 919-515-6884 or gary_gregory@ncsu.edu; or Danny Hyatt, station manager, at 828-456-3943. Information is available on the test website, www.cals.ncsu.edu/an sci/ extension/animal/bcip/Ahbcip.html.

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■ Florida Bull Test North Florida Research & Education Center (NFREC) Marianna, Fla.

112-day final report (Dec. 12, 2012)

Bulls nominated for the annual North Florida Research and Education Center (NFREC) Bull Test in Marianna, Fla., were accepted for delivery July 31 with initial weights taken Aug. 21-22. The test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Dec. 31, 2011. Purebred animals must be registered and composites must be out of registered parents.

All Angus and Angus derivatives must be tested for AM status, or must be accompanied by a letter from the breed association to indicate they are not a carrier.

High-ADG, high-WDA and high-indexing Angus-Lot 1072; owner: Pintlala Cattle Co., Hope Hull, Ala.; sire: BCC Traveler 589 114-7535; ADG: 4.57 lb.; WDA: 3.39 lb.; wt.: 1,378 lb.; test index: 120

Angus averages (36 head)— ADG: 3.52 lb.; WDA: 2.91 lb.; wt.: 1,273 lb.

Overall averages (93 head)—ADG: 3.63 lb.; WDA: 3.03 lb.; wt.: 1,282 lb.

The test sale was scheduled for Jan. 19, 2013.

For more information contact Cliff Lamb, bull test coordinator, University of Florida-NFREC, 3925 Hwy. 71, Marianna, FL 32446; phone: 850-394-9124, ext. 106, or visit the test website at http://nfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/fl_bull_test/index.shtml.

■ MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program Plank Farms, Crystal, Mich. 49-day report (Dec. 14, 2012)

The 25th Michigan Cattlemen's Association/Michigan State University (MCA/MSU) Bull Evaluation at Plank Farms, Crystal, Mich., accepted delivery of 110 bulls Oct. 12-13, 2012, for a 112-day test. The test is for bulls born Sept. 1, 2011-April 30, 2012. Bulls went on test Oct. 25-26, 2012. Interim weights were scheduled for Jan. 18, with bulls weighed off test Feb. 14-15, 2013.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 33; owner: Hutchings Registered Angus, Dennis Hutchings, Bellevue, Mich.; sire: SydGen Turbo 6684; ADG: 5.15 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.23 lb.; WDA ratio: 100; wt.: 1,025 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus (tie)—Lot 58; owner: KB Farms LLC, Merritt, Mich.; sire: SAV Bismarck 5682; ADG: 4.59 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 3.82 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,070 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus (tie)—Lot 60; owner: KB Farms LLC; sire: LCC New Standard; ADG: 4.64 lb.; ADG ratio: 116; WDA: 3.82 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 960 lb.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 8; owner: Apple Hill Angus, John MacMaster, Harrisville, Mich.; sire: SS Objective T510 0T26; ADG: 5.87 lb.; ADG ratio: 125; WDA: 3.50 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; wt.: 1,370 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 21; owner: Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich.; sire: Connealy Final Product; ADG: 4.49 lb.; ADG ratio: 95; WDA: 3.68 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,250 lb.

Overall averages—ADG: 4.16 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,028 lb.

The sale will be March 16, 2013. For more information contact Dan Buskirk, extension beef specialist, at 2265 Anthony Hall, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824; 517-432-0400; Brian Plank, manager, 325 Mount Hope Rd., Crystal, MI 48818; phone: 989-235-6253 (office) or 989-506-2061 (cell); or Michigan Cattlemen's Ass'n, 2145 University Park Dr., Ste. 300, Okemos, MI 48864; phone: 517-347-8117. Information is also available on the test website at http://beef.msu.edu/bulleval.

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■ Tifton Bull Evaluation Program Tifton Bull Evaluation Center, Tifton, Ga. 56-day report (Dec. 18, 2012)

The 55th Tifton Bull Evaluation Program began Oct. 1-2 with the delivery of 170 bulls representing 11 different breeds. On-test weights were taken Oct. 22-23. Bulls have maintained excellent performance with a few exceptions, says Ronnie Silcox, extension animal scientist.

The 112-day test features bulls born Dec. 1, 2011-Feb. 29, 2012. All bulls tested negative for persistent infection with bovine viral diarrhea (PI-BVD). Interim weights were to be collected Jan. 15, 2013, and final weights are scheduled for collection Feb. 11-12. There are 100 Angus bulls on test.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 80; owner: Gillis Angus Farm, Eastman, Ga.; sire: SydGen CC&7; ADG: 5.75 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.38 lb.; WDA ratio: 104; wt.: 1,215 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 85; owner: Bamboo Road Farms, Marshallville, Ga.; sire: SAV Net Worth 4200; ADG: 5.21 lb.; ADG ratio: 116; WDA: 3.97 lb.; WDA ratio: 122; wt.: 1,425 lb.

Angus averages (100 head)—ADG: 4.51 lb.; WDA: 3.26 lb.; wt.: 1,126 lb.

Overall averages (170 head)—ADG: 4.49 lb.; WDA: 3.30 lb.; wt.: 1,133 lb.

Qualifying bulls may sell in the test sale March 6.

Visitors are welcome at the station 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. If weekend visits are desired, please call Mike Keeler at 229-831-5416. Bull and heifer reports can be accessed through the test website at www.caes.uga.edu/commodities/animals/beef/index.html.

■ IBEP 2012 Winter Test Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind. 28-day report (Dec. 18, 2012)

A total of 182 bulls and 22 get-of-sire groups were delivered Oct. 30 for the 2012 Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) 2012 Winter Test. Bulls were consigned by 61 cooperators from Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. Angus, Hereford, Red Angus, SimAngus, Simmental and ChiMaine are the six breeds represented. Average on-test weight was 878 lb.

Interim weigh dates were scheduled for Jan. 22, 2013, and Feb. 19. The bulls will be weighed off test March 25 and 28. There are 126 Angus bulls in the test.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 109; owner: Decker's Whitehouse Cattle Co., Columbus, Ind.; sire: OCC Legend 616L; ADG: 5.89 lb.; ADG ratio: 151; WDA: 3.49 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,210 lb.; test index: 134

High-WDA Angus—Lot 80; owner: Willer Timber Ridge Farm, Greencastle, Ind.; sire: WTR 2351 Prestige Forever 021; ADG: 4.25 lb.; ADG ratio: 109; WDA: 3.90 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,115 lb.; test index: 114

Angus averages (126 head)—ADG: 3.90 lb.; WDA: 3.22 lb.; wt.: 984 lb.

Overall averages (182 head)—ADG: 3.86 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 986 lb.

Bulls will sell April 18 in the 70th IBEP Bull Sale and Springville Feeder Auction Association Bred Heifer Sale.

For more information contact Brad Shelton, station manager, 1117 SR 458, Bedford, IN 47421; phone: 812-279-8554; fax: 812-279-4390 or sheltonb@ purdue.edu; Terry Stewart, secretary-treasurer at 765-494-0138 (office), fax: 765-494-9436 or tstewart@purdue.edu; Donna Lofgren, performance records and website at 765-494-6439, fax: 765-494-9436 or dlofgren@purdue.edu. Information is also available on the test website at www.ansc.purdue.edu/ibep.

■ University of Tennessee Senior Bull Test Middle Tennessee Research & Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn. 84-day final report (Nov. 27, 2012)

Ninety-eight Angus were among the 102 bulls weighed on test Sept. 3-4 for the University of Tennessee Senior Bull Test. The sale for the senior bulls was scheduled for lan. 24, 2013.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 77; owner: Rainbow Angus, Piney Flats; sire: SAV Providence 6922; ADG: 6.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 136; WDA: 3.63 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,460 lb.; frame: 6.3; SC: 35.8 cm

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 11; owner: Chimney Top Angus, Johnson City; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 5.51 lb.; ADG ratio: 121; WDA: 4.03 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,665 lb.; frame: 6.9; SC: 39.3 cm

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 12; owner: Chimney Top Angus; sire: SS Incentive 9J17; ADG: 5.30 lb.; ADG ratio: 116; WDA: 4.03 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,522 lb.; frame: 6.6; SC: 36.1 cm

Angus averages (92 head)—ADG: 4.55 lb.; WDA: 3.35 lb.

Overall averages (94 head)—ADG: 4.53 lb.; WDA: 3.35 lb.

For more information contact David Kirkpatrick, professor of animal science, University of Tennessee, at 865-974-7294; fax: 865-974-0429 or fkirkpat@utk.edu; or Kevin Thompson, station manager, at 931-486-2129; fax: 931-486-0142. Test information is also available at http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu/Beef?bullTestingProgram.html.

☑ University of Tennessee Bull Test
 Middle Tennessee Research & Education
 Center, Spring Hill, Tenn.
 28-day report (Dec. 4, 2012)

Fifty-seven Angus bulls were weighed on test Nov. 6, 2012, for the University of Tennessee Junior Bull Test. The test is for bulls born Dec. 16, 2011-March 15, 2012. Interim weights were to be taken Jan. 2, with off-test weights scheduled for Jan. 28-29.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 11; owner: LA Farms, Kingston Springs; sire: LA Mytty 42W; ADG: 7.25 lb.; WDA: 3.74 lb.; wt.: 1,280 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 2; owner: Chimney Top Farms, Johnson City; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 4.93 lb.; WDA: 3.98 lb.; wt.: 1,250 lb.

Angus averages (57 head)—ADG: 4.57 lb. Overall averages (65 head)—ADG: 4.57 lb.

The sale for the junior bulls will be March 7.

For more information contact David Kirkpatrick, professor of animal science, University of Tennessee, at 865-974-7294; fax: 865-974-0429 or fkirkpat@utk.edu; or Kevin Thompson, station manager, at 931-486-2129; fax: 931-486-0142. Test information is also available at http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu/beef/bullTestingProgram.html.

■ UBIA Bull Test Kenison Feedlot, Levan, Utah 56-day report (Dec. 17, 2012)

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) received 188 junior and 28 senior bulls to be tested Oct. 8, 2012, at Kenison Farm and Feedlot, Levan. There are 116 junior Angus and 18 senior Angus in the test. Bulls were weighed on test Oct. 22. Bulls entered in the senior test were born Sept. 1-Dec. 31, 2011. Bulls entered in the junior test were born Jan. 1-March 15, 2012.

Bulls will be fed by breed. Breeds that do not have adequate numbers to fill a pen (typically 50 head) will be commingled with other breeds and fed together. There will be two divisions within the junior Angus breed test. Those divisions will be the traditional growth division and a low-birth-weight (LBW) division.

High-ADG and high-indexing junior low-BW Angus—Lot 150; owner: McPherson Farms, Paul McPherson, Nephi; sire: SS Incentive 9J17; ADG: 5.27 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 966 lb.; sale ratio: 126

High-WDA junior low-BW Angus—Lot 195; owner: Strawberry River Angus, Travis Clayburn, Strawberry River; sire: SS Objective T510 0T26; ADG: 4.13 lb.; ADG ratio: 106; WDA: 3.56 lb.; wt.: 1,100 lb.; sale ratio: 107

High-ADG and high-indexing junior growth Angus—Lot 101; owner: Conley Moon Angus, Duchesne; sire: Summitcrest Complete 1P55; ADG: 5.45 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 3.17 lb.; wt.: 1,080 lb.; sale ratio: 136

High-WDA junior growth Angus—Lot 177; owner: River Valley Angus, Wayne Robb, Duchesne; sire: Basin Payweight 1075; ADG:

3.70 lb.; ADG ratio: 94; WDA: 3.85 lb.; wt.: 1,185 lb.; sale ratio: 100

High-ADG and high-indexing senior low-BW Angus—Lot 229; owner: 5C Livestock, Mark Crane, Redmond; sire: SAV Final Answer 0035; ADG: 3.79 lb.; ADG ratio: 107; WDA: 2.69 lb.; wt.: 1,015 lb.; sale ratio: 104

High-WDA senior low-BW Angus—Lot 240; owner: Lowe Livestock, Lorin Lowe, Toquerville; sire: Mr. Objective 904; ADG: 3.50 lb.; ADG ratio: 99; WDA: 2.83 lb.; wt.: 1,010 lb.; sale ratio: 100

High-ADG and high-indexing senior growth Angus—Lot 239; owner: Lowe Livestock; sire: Mr. Objective 904; ADG: 5.66 lb.; ADG ratio: 146; WDA: 3.39 lb.; wt.: 1,200 lb.; sale ratio: 138

High-WDA senior growth Angus—Lot 236; owner: Lowe Livestock, Lorin Lowe; sire: Mr. Objective 904; ADG: 5.46 lb.; ADG ratio: 141; WDA: 3.46 lb.; wt.: 1,290 lb.; sale ratio: 135

Angus junior low-BW averages (40 head)—ADG: 3.90 lb.

Angus senior low-BW averages (5 head)—ADG: 3.55 lb.

Angus junior growth averages (66 head)— ADG: 3.92 lb.

Angus senior growth averages (23 head)— ADG: 3.87 lb.

Overall junior averages (177 head)—ADG: 3.72 lb.

The next interim weights were scheduled to be taken Jan. 14, 2013. Bulls will be weighed off test Feb. 11 and 13. The test sale will be March 16.

For more information contact Kim Chapman, Utah State University Extension area animal scientist, at 435-892-0474 or kimc@ext.usu.edu; or Dale Kenison at 435-250-0090; or visit the test website, www.ubiabulls.com.

Southwest Virginia BCIA Bull Test Hillwinds Farm, Dublin, Va. 56-day report (Dec. 11, 2012)

The junior and senior tests at the Southwest Virginia BCIA Bull Test will be conducted simultaneously. Entries for both divisions were due Sept. 7. Delivery was accepted Oct. 2 at Hillwinds Farm. The bulls went on test Oct. 15-16, with interim weights scheduled for collection Jan. 8, 2013. The bulls were to be weighed off test with an average of weights collected Feb. 4-5. The test sale will be at the farm March 23.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 96; owner: Silverado Cattle Co., Glenn and Rachel Covington, Warrenton; sire: Connealy Impression; ADG: 5.80 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.75 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,240 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 76; owner:

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606 Angus, John Warren, Bland; sire: SAV Final Answer 0035; ADG: 4.91 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; WDA: 3.91 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,025 lb.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 28; owner: Mt. Yoe, John Archer, Darlington, Md.; sire: Weaverland Objective OT26 909; ADG: 7.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 182; WDA: 3.44 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,205 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 55; owner: J&M Windy Acres, Mike Connatser, Maryville, Tenn.; sire: Connealy Mentor 7374; ADG: 5.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 145; WDA: 3.69 lb.; WDA ratio: 126; wt.: 1,350 lb.

Junior Angus averages (70 head)—ADG: 4.35 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.; wt.: 993 lb.

Overall junior averages (115 head)—ADG: 4.29 lb.; WDA: 3.32 lb.; wt.: 1,000 lb.

Senior Angus averages (59 head)—ADG: 3.93 lb.; WDA: 2.94 lb.; wt.: 1,189 lb.

Overall senior averages (99 head)—ADG: 3.94 lb.: WDA: 2.97 lb.: wt.: 1.209 lb.

For more information contact Scott Greiner, extension beef specialist, at 540-231-9159; fax: 540-231-3713 or sgreiner@vt.edu; or Tim Sutphin, owner/manager, Hillwinds Farm, 5660 Thornspring Church Rd., Dublin, VA 24084: 540-980-5848.

Information is also available on the test website, http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu.

≥ 61st Annual OPSU Bull Performance Test Goodwell, Okla. 84-day report (Dec. 29, 2012)

The bulls consigned to the 61st annual Oklahoma Panhandle State University (OPSU) Bull Performance test were weighed on test Oct. 6. This year's test includes bulls consigned by 18 breeders.

The test is a 112-day test, during which average daily gain (ADG), feed intake and efficiency on a pen basis, and weight per day of age (WDA) will be collected on the bulls. Other data collected will be frame score, scrotal circumference, semen quality, fat thickness, ribeye area and marbling score.

OPSU students working on the test include Craig Bohl, Ulysses, Kan.; Gideon Busieni, Kenya; Heather Crow, Lahoma, Okla.; Chris Malone, Ulysses, Kan.; and Roger Unwin, Pritchett. Colo.

High-ADG junior Angus pen—four bulls; owner: Phil Light, Turpin, Okla.; sire: Connealy Final Product; avg. ADG: 4.76 lb.

High-ADG junior Angus—owner: Phil Light; sire: GAR Progress; ADG: 5.69 lb.

High-ADG senior Angus pen—owner: Wink Farms, Panhandle, Texas; sires: WAR Alliance 9126 6006 and Bon-View New Design 1407; avg. ADG: 5.50 lb.

High-ADG senior Angus—owner: Wink

Farms; sire: Bon-View New Design 1407; ADG: 6.00 lb.

Overall averages—ADG: 4.45 lb.

Off-test weights were to be taken Jan. 26, 2013, and the top 70 bulls are to sell Feb. 18. Those interested in following the performance of the bulls during the test can contact Gwen Martin at 580-349-1500 or at gwen@opsu.edu.

■ Clemson Bull Test Pendleton, S.C.

115-day final report (Dec. 27-28, 2012)

Purebred breeders from three states (15 South Carolina, nine North Carolina and one Georgia) consigned the 65 bulls delivered to the Clemson Beef Cattle Farm near Pendleton, S.C., Aug. 21 for the 112-day 2013 Clemson Bull Test sponsored by Clemson University and the South Carolina Cattlemen's Association.

Matthew Burns, extension animal scientist and bull test coordinator, says the bulls look really good and have been in excellent health. Residual feed intake (RFI) was calculated from each bull's on-test weight to its 84-day weight.

RFI is simply actual feed intake minus expected feed intake. A positive RFI means the bull ate more feed than expected to

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achieve his actual performance, whereas a negative RFI means the bull ate less feed than expected to achieve his actual performance. For example, if we have two bulls (start weights are the same), both gaining 2.5 lb. per day over a 75-day period, we would expect them to eat approximately 1,500 lb. of feed per bull during the test period. However, Bull A ate 1,717 lb. of feed and Bull B ate 1,232 lb. of feed. Bull A's RFI would be: 1,717 - 1,500 = 217 lb., and Bull B's RFI would be: 1,232 -1,500 = -268. Overall, Bull A ate 485 lb. more feed over a 75-day test period to gain the same amount of weight as Bull B. Therefore, in this scenario, Bull B could be considered 'more efficient' than Bull A.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 26; owner: Mull Meadow Farms, Frankie Mullikin, Pendleton, S.C.; sire: TC Aberdeen 759; ADG: 4.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 2.94 lb.; WDA ratio: 92; RFI: -139; wt.: 1,213 lb.; test ratio: 91

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 23; owner: Paul Boyd Angus, Neil Boyd, Clover, S.C.; sire: Mytty In Focus; ADG: 4.35 lb.; ADG ratio: 109; WDA: 3.54 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; RFI: -102; wt.: 1,440 lb.; test ratio: 110

High-indexing junior Angus—Lot 19; owner: Bridges Beef Cattle, John Bridges, Shelby, N.C.; sire: Vin-Mar O'Reilly Factor; ADG: 4.06 lb.; ADG ratio: 102; WDA: 3.40 lb.; WDA ratio: 107; RFI: -57; wt.: 1,273 lb.; test ratio: 112

Best RFI junior Angus—Lot 25; owner: Oak Hill Farm, Danny Winchester, Six Mile, S.C.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 3.96 lb.; ADG ratio: 99; WDA: 3.08 lb.; WDA ratio: 97; RFI: -154; wt.: 1,295 lb.; test index: 97

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 60; owner: Stillwater Cattle Co., Steve McPhail/Mike

Ryan, Inman, S.C./Fair Play, S.C.; sire: Rito 616 of 4B20 6807; ADG: 5.27 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 3.25 lb.; WDA ratio: 107; RFI: 230; wt.: 1,508 lb.; test ratio: 109

High-WDA and high-ratio senior Angus— Lot 43; owner: Shuffler Farm, Gene Shuffler, Union Grove, N.C.; sire: SAV Final Answer 0035; ADG: 4.52 lb.; ADG ratio: 107; WDA: 3.54 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; RFI: -41; wt.: 1,620 lb.; test ratio: 124

Best RFI senior Angus—Lot 64; owner: Oak Hill Farm; sire: SAV Final Answer 0035; ADG: 4.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 98; WDA: 3.14 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; RFI: -289; wt.: 1,500 lb.; test ratio: 108

Junior Angus averages (10 head)—ADG: 3.99 lb.; WDA: 3.18 lb.; wt.: 1,269 lb.

Senior Angus averages (39 head)—ADG: 4.24 lb.; WDA: 3.05 lb.; wt.: 1,382 lb.

Overall averages (62 head)—ADG: 4.12 lb.; WDA: 3.07 lb.; wt.: 1,353 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for Feb. 2, 2013. For more information contact Matthew Burns at PO Box 995, Pickens, SC 29671; phone: 864-878-1394, ext. 116, or 864-940-2428 (cell); fax: 864-878-6712; or Gary Burns, Clemson University farm manager; phone: 864-617-3402; www.clemson.edu/extension/livestock/livestock/beef/bull_tests/.

■ Southern Illinois University Bull Test Carbondale, Ill. 28-day report (Dec. 4, 2012)

There were 50 bulls weighed on test in the 38th annual Southern Illinois University—Carbondale (SIUC) Bull Test Nov. 6, 2012. The test station ration is a pelleted ration mixed with shelled corn that has been balanced to meet the amino-acid requirements for growing bulls and provides

20% effective fiber, as well as 14% CP. Bulls are fed using the Calan Broadbent Feeding System. Senior bulls were born Sept. 3-Dec. 18, 2011. Junior bulls were born Dec. 19, 2011-March 18, 2012. Both junior and senior bulls will be tested for 84 days. The 56-day interim weights were scheduled for Jan. 1, with final weights scheduled for Jan. 29.

High-ADG and best F:G junior Angus—Lot 4; owner: Neubauer Farms, Shirley; sire: Connealy Stimulus 8419; ADG: 8.82 lb.; ADG ratio: 148; F:G: 3.03 lb.; F:G ratio: 149; wt.: 1,220 lb.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 68; owner: Tom Perjak, Nashville, Ill.; sire: SQ Liberty 147T; ADG: 9.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; F:G: 3.74; F:G ratio: 117; wt.: 1,265 lb.

Best F:G senior Angus—Lot 62; owner: Betzold Farms, Nokomis, Ill.; sire: MA Freedom 475-492; ADG: 8.29 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; F:G: 3.31; F:G ratio: 132; wt.: 1,375 lb.

Junior Angus averages (31 head)—ADG: 5.97 lb.; F:G: 4.51; wt.: 979 lb.

Senior Angus averages (8 head)—ADG: 7.33 lb.; F:G: 4.37; wt.: 1,299 lb.

56-day report (Jan. 1, 2013)

High-ADG junior Angus (tie)—Lot 4; owner: Neubauer Farms; sire: Connealy Stimulus 8419; ADG: 6.55 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; F:G: 4.19 lb.; F:G ratio: 121; wt.: 1,340 lb.

High-ADG (tie) and best F:G junior Angus—Lot 16; owner: Tom Perjak; sire: Rito Revenue 5m2 of 2536 Pre; ADG: 6.55 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; F:G: 3.81 lb.; F:G ratio: 133; wt.: 1,160 lb.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 68; owner: Tom Perjak; sire: SQ Liberty 147T; ADG: 7.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; F:G: 5.17; F:G ratio: 111; wt.: 1,415 lb.

Best F:G senior Angus—Lot 62; owner: Betzold Farms; sire: MA Freedom 475-492; ADG: 6.55 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; F:G: 4.53; F:G ratio: 126; wt.: 1,510 lb.

Junior Angus averages (30 head)—ADG: 5.27 lb.; F:G: 5.06; wt.: 1,106 lb.

Senior Angus averages (8 head)—ADG: 5.86 lb.; F:G: 5.72; wt.: 1,422 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for March 8. For more information contact George Wiedlocher, bull test supervisor, at 618-457-6838 or bullman@siu.edu or Rebecca Atkinson at 618-453-5000 or ratkinsn@siu.edu. Test information can be found at http://bulltest.siuc.edu.

OBI Report No. 121 Stillwater, Okla. 84-day report (Sept. 7, 2012)

Test 121 is for bulls born May-October 2011. Bulls were delivered to the station June 1-2, 2012, to go on test June 12.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 81; owner: Cripple Creek Ranch, Guthrie, Okla.; sire: J&J Diamond Back 427; ADG: 5.52 lb.; wt.: 1,030 lb.

2012 Calhoun Bull Evaluation Performance Test & Sale, Calhoun, Dec. 7

► Michael Williams (center) and Gene Williams (right), Williams Angus Farm, Calhoun, receive the award for consigning the high-indexing Angus bull from Mike McCravy, Georgia Angus Ass'n president. WAF Upward 1352, a November 2011 son of Sitz Upward 307R, posted an average daily gain (ADG) of 4.78 lb., with an adjusted yearling weight of 1,426 lb.



Angus averages (84 head)—ADG: 3.98 lb.; wt.: 1,073 lb.

112-day final report (Oct. 5, 2012)

High-ADG Angus-Lot 81; owner: Cripple Creek Ranch; sire: J&J Diamond Back 427; ADG: 5.62 lb.; ADG ratio: 132; WDA: 3.35 lb.; WDA ratio: 104; wt.: 1,195 lb.; test index: 95; SC: 37 cm

High-WDA Angus—Lot 63; owner: H&H Land & Cattle, Vinita, Okla.; sire: Phoenix Success 5002; ADG: 5.37 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.88 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,375 lb.; test index: 105; SC: 40 cm

High-indexing (tie) Angus—Lot 42; owner: H&H Land & Cattle; sire: H&H L&C Success 8136; ADG: 5.26 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 3.68 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,430 lb.; test index: 119; SC: 40 cm

High-indexing (tie) Angus—Lot 75; owner: H&H Land & Cattle; sire: Spur Reward 6005; ADG: 4.60 lb.; ADG ratio: 108; WDA: 3.80 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,185 lb.; test index: 119; SC: 35

Angus averages (84 head)—ADG: 4.25 lb.; WDA: 3.23 lb.; wt.: 1,214 lb.

For more information contact Tim Stidham, station manager, at 405-624-1181 or okbeef@provalue.net; Bob Kropp, OBI executive secretary, at 405-744-9287; fax: 405-744-7390; or Carrie Doyle at carrie.doyle@okstate.edu. Information is also available on the test website, www.ansi.okstate.edu/outreach-extension/beef/oklahoma-beef-inc/bull-testing-1.

OBI Angus Report No. 122 Stillwater, Okla.

56-day report (Dec. 7, 2012)

Test 122 is for bulls born Nov. 2011-Feb. 2012. Bulls were delivered to the station Sept. 28-29, 2012, to go on test Oct. 13. Interim weights were scheduled for Dec. 8, 2012, and Jan. 5, 2013, with a sale date of March 28, 2013.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 145; owner: Pollard Farms, Waukomis, Okla.; sire: Connealy Consensus 7229; ADG: 6.34 lb.; wt.: 1,160 lb.

Angus averages (96 head)—ADG: 4.49 lb.; wt.: 1,032 lb.

84-day report (Jan. 4, 2013)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 145; owner: Pollard Farms; sire: Connealy Consensus 7229; ADG: 6.19 lb.; wt.: 1,325 lb.

Angus averages (96 head)—ADG: 4.53 lb.; wt.: 1,162 lb.

For more information contact Stidham, Kropp or Doyle. Information is also available on the test website, www.ansi.okstate.edu/ outreach-extension/beef/oklahoma-beef-inc/ bull-testing-1.

■ WIU Bull Test Macomb, Ill.

56-day report (Dec. 18, 2012)

Western Illinois University (WIU) reported

74 bulls from 32 consignors were weighed Dec. 18 for the 56-day interim period. Angus bulls on the 112-day test were born Jan. 1-April 15, 2012. Final weights were to be taken Feb. 11-12.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 303; owner: Keith Kramer, Farina, Ill.; sire: SAV Brilliance 8077; ADG: 5.63 lb.; wt.: 1,182 lb.

Qualifying bulls will be eligible for sale March 15. For more information contact Ken Nimrick, bull test supervisor, at KO-nimrick@wiu.edu; cell phone: 309-337-4352; or Samantha Cunningham, assistant professor; WIU, Knoblauch Hall B 12, Macomb, IL 61455; office phone: 309-298-1288. Test information can be found at www.wiu.edu/bulltest.

■ Wardensville Bull Test West Virginia University Reymann Memorial Farm, Wardensville, W.Va. 31-day report (Dec. 27, 2012)

The Wardensville Bull Test received 158 bulls for the 2013 test. There are 132 Angus, 16 Hereford, five Charolais, three Limousin and two SimAngus on test.

The bulls are being fed a ration (NE_m =0.68, NE_g =0.41) that includes 20% ground mixed hay, 24% wheat midds, 23% soybean hulls, 8% distillers' grains, 4% cottonseed hulls, 4% corn, 10% hominy feed, and 7% miscellaneous ingredients.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 77; owner: Stalnaker Farm, Weston, W.Va.; sire: N-Bar Emulation EXT; ADG: 5.48 lb.; ADG ratio: 159; WDA: 3.56 lb.; wt.: 1,088 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 54; owner: Poling Angus Farm, Philippi, W.Va.; sire: OFF Retail Product T134; ADG: 4.87 lb.; ADG ratio: 141; WDA: 3.74 lb.; wt.: 1,246 lb.

Angus averages (132 head)—ADG: 3.44 lb.; WDA: 3.13 lb.; wt.: 987 lb.

The next interim weigh day was scheduled for Jan. 27, with off-test weights to be taken Feb. 20-21. The sale will be March 28 at the Reymann Memorial Farm, Wardensville, W.Va.

Test information is available from Jim Bostic, executive secretary of the West Virginia Livestock Association, at 304-472-4020 and on the test website, www.wvbeef.org.

■ MBCIA Jackson Bull Test Spring Grove, Minn. 52-day report (Jan. 5, 2013)

A total of 80 bulls, including 64 Angus, are on test at Foundation Feeders Inc. near Spring Grove, Minn., for the 2012-2013 Minnesota Beef Cattle Improvement Association (MBCIA) Jackson test. Bulls are being fed a ration of corn silage, alfalfa haylage, corn, distillers' grains, minerals and vitamins as a TMR.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 58; owner: Freeburg Ridge, Caledonia, Minn.; sire: Sitz Upward; ADG: 5.18 lb.;

WDA: 3.93 lb.; wt.: 1,195 lb.; test index: 130 High-WDA Angus—Lot 17; owner: Richland Prairie Farm, Lanesboro, Minn.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 4.18 lb.; WDA: 4.01 lb.; wt.: 1,270 lb.; test index: 117

Angus averages (64 head)—ADG: 3.79 lb.; WDA: 3.26 lb.; wt.: 1,019 lb.

Overall averages (80 head)—ADG: 3.76 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,016 lb.

Bulls indexing in the top 75%-80% of the entire Jackson group (all breeds) will be eligible for the MBCIA Bull Test Sale in Jackson, Minn., scheduled for April 6. The test index is 50% Test ADG ratio + 50% WDA ratio.

For more information, contact Ron Holty, manager, at 507-498-5839 or rkholty@springgrove.coop.

St. Croix Valley Bull Test UW Mann Valley Farm, River Falls, Wis. 56-day report (Dec. 29, 2012)

The St. Croix Valley Bull Test (SCVBT) is conducted at the University of Wisconsin (UW) Mann Valley Farms at River Falls, Wis. The 140-day test features a high-roughage ration of corn silage, haylage, shell corn, protein and mineral to provide a targeted ADG of 3 lb.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 8-1; owner: Emerald Lane Angus, Melvin and Sharon Neimann, Edgar, Wis.; sire: SS Objective T510 0T26; ADG: 5.96 lb.; ADG ratio: 144; WDA: 3.55 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,215 lb.; sale ratio: 136

High-WDA Angus—Lot 5-2; owner: Bonte Angus Farm, Dan and Lana Bonte, Glenwood City, Wis.; sire: SS Objective T510 0T26; ADG: 5.11 lb.; ADG ratio: 123; WDA: 4.22 lb.; WDA ratio: 136; wt.: 1,140 lb.; sale ratio: 126

Angus averages (63 head)—ADG: 4.15 lb.; WDA: 3.10 lb.; wt.: 899 lb.

Interim weights were scheduled for Jan. 26 and Feb. 23, with off-test weights collected March 22-23. The sale will be at the farm April 20. The top two-thirds of the bulls will sell based on an index that is 75% ADG ratio + 25% WDA ratio.

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