



Performance Report

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► Pennsylvania Bull Testing Program

Pennsylvania Furnace, Pa.

112-day final report (Feb. 17)

Beef producers from Connecticut, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and West Virginia consigned 120 bulls to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's 2008-2009 performance bull test at the Samuel E. Hayes Jr. Livestock Evaluation Center at Pennsylvania Furnace. The winter test is a 112-day performance test for bulls born Jan. 1-April 15, 2008.

The bulls are evaluated, compared and indexed on average daily gain (ADG), weight per day of age (WDA), feed efficiency, loin-eye area, fat thickness and meat quality traits.

Seven beef breeds are participating in this year's test, including 66 Angus, 20 Simmentals, 13 Herefords, eight Red Angus, four Limousin, five Charolais and one crossbred.

High-ADG Angus (tie)—Lot 46; owner: River Bend Farm, Peapack, N.J.; sire: Connealy Front Page 0228; ADG: 5.75 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.40 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; F/G: 4.86 lb.; wt.: 1,356 lb.; SC: 38.5 cm; test index: 111

High-ADG (tie) and high-indexing (tie) Angus—Lot 90; owner: Paul Salansky, Coal Center; sire: TC Grid Topper; ADG: 5.75 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.86 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; F/G: 4.46 lb.; wt.: 1,274 lb.; SC: 38.5 cm; test index: 116

High-WDA and high-indexing (tie) Angus—Lot 118; owner: Russell & Judy Hollenback, Towanda; sire: SAV 8180 Traveler 004; ADG: 5.59 lb.; ADG ratio: 123; WDA: 3.96 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; F/G: 5.23 lb.; wt.: 1,418 lb.; SC: 39.0 cm; test index: 116

Angus averages (66 head)—ADG: 4.56 lb.; WDA: 3.45 lb.; wt.: 1,234 lb.

The bulls are available for inspection at any time. The 36th Annual Pennsylvania Performance Tested Bull Sale was scheduled to be March 27.

For more information about Pennsylvania's performance testing programs and sales, contact Livestock Evaluation Center Director Glenn Eberly at 814-238-2527 or geberly@state.pa.us or visit the test's web site at www.agriculture.state.pa.us/lec.

► SIUC Bull Test

Carbondale, Ill.

112-day final report (Feb. 12)

The 34th Annual Performance Tested Bull Test at Southern Illinois University—Carbondale (SIUC) weighed 41 bulls representing breeders in two states Feb. 12.

Bulls are fed Purina's Impact Grower mix using intake modifier technology. This diet consists of 12.5% crude protein (CP). Rumensin® and Tylan are added. Corn will be rolled or cracked. The station has the facilities to assess feed-to-gain conversion (F/G) of 72 bulls for a 112-day test period.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 26; owner: DeKap Angus, Mount Carroll, Ill.; sire: TC Grid Topper 355; ADG: 5.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 123; F/G: 5.23 lb.; F/G ratio: 114; wt.: 1,443 lb.

Best-F/G Angus—Lot 8; owner: James Schrecke, Schrecke Angus, Camp Point, Ill.; sire: Dr. J Analyst M250; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 108; F/G: 5.07 lb.; F/G ratio: 117; wt.: 1,468 lb.

Angus averages (30 head)—ADG: 4.63 lb.; F/G: 5.94 lb.; wt.: 1,316 lb.

The 34th Annual SIUC Performance Tested Bull Sale was scheduled for March 13. 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.siu.edu/~animal/bulltest.

► Midland Bull Test

Columbus, Mont.

Second Intermediate report (Feb. 6-7)

Test managers weighed 749 bulls Dec. 27, 2008, for the Midland Bull Test's 77-day interim report. Including all breeds, there are 1,155 bulls on test at Midland this year.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 461; owner: Drysdale Farms Inc., Wabasha, Minn.; sire: SAV Net Worth 4200; ADG: 4.67 lb.; ADG ratio: 147; WDA: 3.44 lb.; wt.: 1,195 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 142; owner: Granger Angus, Great Falls, Mont.; sire: Connealy Onward; ADG: 4.58 lb.; WDA: 3.84 lb.; wt.: 1,458 lb.

High-ADG Angus sire group—Lots 161, 163 & 164; owner: Harrison Angus Ranch, Boyd, Mont.; sire: Connealy Onward; avg. ADG: 4.25 lb.; avg. WDA: 3.29 lb.; avg. wt.: 1,182 lb.

High-WDA Angus sire group—Lots 184, 185 & 187; owner: Harrison Angus Ranch, Boyd, Mont.; sire: REB Freedom 1156; avg. ADG: 3.49 lb.; avg. WDA: 3.37 lb.; avg. wt.: 1,099 lb.

Angus averages (749 head)—ADG: 3.23 lb.; WDA: 3.03 lb.

The Midland Bull Test Sale will be April 8-10, with Angus featured on the 10th. For more information, contact Steve or Lindsay Williams at 406-322-5597 or bulls@midlandbulltest.com. Information can also be found on the test web site, www.midlandbulltest.com.

► IBEP 2008 Winter Test

Bedford, Ind.

91-day report (Feb. 17)

The Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) 2008 Winter Test is under way at the Feldun-Purdue Ag Center at Bedford, Ind. There are 227 bulls on test, including 156 Angus representing 61 owners.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 80; owner: Beaver Ridge Farm, Middletown, Ind.; sire: GAR Grid Maker; ADG: 5.22 lb.; ADG ratio: 138; WDA: 3.68 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,405 lb.; test index: 129

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High-WDA Angus—Lot 184; owner: Grubbs Angus Farm, Hillsboro, Ind.; sire: EXAR Lutton 1831; ADG: 3.85 lb.; ADG ratio: 102; WDA: 3.86 lb.; WDA ratio: 122; wt.: 1,405 lb.; test index: 110

High-indexing Angus get-of-sire—Lot 1; owner: Bill Washburn; sire: Dr. J Analyst M250; avg. test index: 110

Angus averages (156 head)—ADG: 3.77 lb.; WDA: 3.17 lb.; wt.: 1,157 lb.

Overall averages (227 head)—ADG: 3.72 lb.; WDA: 3.17 lb.; wt.: 1,150 lb.

The test index is 60% ADG ratio plus 40% WDA ratio. Final weights were scheduled for March 23. The 63rd IBEP Bull Sale will be April 16 at the Springville Feeder Auction, Springville, Ind.

For more information contact Terry Stewart at 765-494-0138; or Richard Huntrods, station manager, at 812-279-8554 or huntrods@purdue.edu. For test information visit the web site at www.ansc.purdue.edu/ibep. (See additional item regarding the IBEP Summer Test on page 146).

▣ St. Croix Valley Bull Test Mann Valley Farm

112-day final report (Jan. 24)

The St. Croix Valley Bull Test has ended at the University of Wisconsin—River Falls (UWRF) Mann Valley Farm.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 9-2; owner: Mike & June Chadwick, Chadwick Angus, Marshall, Wis.; sire: Twin Valley Precision E161; ADG: 4.04 lb.; ADG ratio: 138; WDA: 3.40 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,170 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 2-2; owner: Mark & Claudine Goodrich, Goodrich Place Inc., Emerald, Wis.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 3.25 lb.; ADG ratio: 111; WDA: 3.48 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,145 lb.

Angus averages (46 head)—ADG: 2.93 lb.; WDA: 3.02 lb.; wt.: 1,021 lb.

The sale will be at the UWRF and is scheduled for April 18. For more information contact Don Prochnow, manager, at 715-235-5882.

▣ WIU Bull Test

WIU Livestock Center, Macomb, Ill.

112-day final report (Feb. 17)

The Western Illinois University (WIU) Bull Test has been completed. Fifty-five bulls were delivered to the WIU Test Station Oct. 6-7. The official test began Oct. 28, 2008.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 508; owner: Atwood Farm, Geneseo, Ill.; sire: KCF Bennett Performer; ADG: 4.77 lb.; F/G: 5.90 lb.; wt.: 1,351 lb.

Best-F/G Angus—Lot 408; owner: Steve Catlin, Blue Ridge Cattle LLC, Monticello, Ill.; sire: Bear Mtn. Owyhee 5012; ADG: 4.58 lb.; F/G: 4.72 lb.; wt.: 1,128 lb.

The annual sale was scheduled for Friday, March 20. For more information contact Ken Nimrick at 309-298-1288 or ko-nimrick@wiu.edu, or visit the test web site at www.wiu.edu/bulltest.

▣ Illinois Performance Tested Bull Sale, Feb. 29, Springfield

► Illinois Angus breeders were recognized for having the high-performing bulls. Pictured are (from left) Bryan Armendariz, Fort Dodge Animal Health, sponsor, presenting the awards; Lee Stremsterfer, Prairie Creek Angus Farm, Pleasant Plains, first; Stephen Murphy, Murphy's Angus, Illinois, second; and E.J. Eastin, 4 E Angus Farm, Tuscola, third.



▣ OBI Angus Test No. 83 Stillwater, Okla.

112-day final report (Feb. 6)

Test No. 83 of Oklahoma Beef Inc. (OBI), featuring 143 Angus bulls born January-February 2008, began Oct. 17, 2008. Bulls were fed twice daily in fenceline bunks or self-feeders. Bulls tested negative for persistent infection with bovine viral diarrhea (PI-BVD).

Bulls that successfully completed testing are eligible for the OBI All-Breed Performance Tested Bull Sale in March or in October at the OBI test station in Stillwater.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 149; owner: Pfeiffer Angus Farm, Mulhall, Okla.; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 6.25 lb.; ADG ratio: 123; WDA: 3.83 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,448 lb.; SC: 38.0 cm; test index: 115

High-WDA and high-indexing Angus—Lot 245; owner: 74-51 Cattle Co., Fairmont, Okla.; sire: Basin Franchise P142; ADG: 5.96 lb.; ADG ratio: 117; WDA: 4.20 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,689 lb.; SC: 38.0 cm; test index: 120

Angus averages (143 head)—ADG: 5.07 lb.; WDA: 3.56 lb.; wt.: 1,323 lb.

The Angus test index is 50% final cumulative ADG ratio plus 50% adjusted 365-day weight ratio. For more information contact Tim Stidham, station manager, at 405-624-1181 or okbeef@provalue.net. Reports are available on the test web site at www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/obi.

▣ OBI Angus Test No. 84 Stillwater, Okla.

56-day report (Feb. 13)

Test No. 84 features 77 Angus bulls born March-April 2008 and began Dec. 19, 2008. Bulls were fed twice daily in fenceline bunks or self-feeders. Bulls tested negative for PI-BVD.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 312; owner: 74-51 Cattle Co., Fairmont, Okla.; sire: BC 7022 Raven 7965; ADG: 7.38 lb.; ADG ratio: 141; WDA: 4.14 lb.; WDA ratio: 133; wt.: 1,340 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 314; owner: 74-51 Cattle Co.; sire: Rito 112 of 2536 Rito 616; ADG: 7.34 lb.; ADG Ratio: 140; WDA: 4.44 lb.; WDA ratio: 143; wt.: 1,430 lb.

Angus averages (77 head)—ADG: 5.23 lb.; WDA: 3.12 lb.; wt.: 1,033 lb.

Bulls were scheduled to be weighed March 13 for an interim weight. They will be weighed off the 112-day test April 10. The

Angus test index is 50% final cumulative ADG ratio plus 50% adjusted 365-day weight ratio. For more information contact Stidham at 405-624-1181 or okbeef@provalue.net, or go online to www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/obi.

▣ Edisto Forage Bull Test Blackville, S.C.

84-day report (Feb. 10)

The performance of the 75 bulls consigned to the 2009 Edisto Forage Bull Test was very good at the test mid-point, reports Bull Testing Program Coordinator Larry Olson. They gained an average of 3.68 lb. per day during the last 28-day period.

The bulls were on winter grazing during the first half of the period until it ran out. They received extra feed and hay during the last half of the period. This is a 168-day test.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 1; owner: Ted Bourne, Cedar Creek Farm, Donalds, S.C.; sire: Boyd On Target 1083; ADG: 4.58 lb.; ADG ratio: 162; WDA: 2.93 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; wt.: 1,180 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 20; owner: River Hill Farm, Fountain Inn, S.C.; sire: Basin Max 602C; ADG: 3.37 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.33 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,195 lb.

Angus averages (67 head)—ADG: 2.83 lb.; WDA: 2.84 lb.; wt.: 1,057 lb.

Overall averages (75 head)—ADG: 2.78 lb.; WDA: 2.83 lb.; wt.: 1,051 lb.

The bulls are scheduled to be weighed for interim weights March 10 and April 7. Final 168-day weights are scheduled for collection May 5. The test sale will be Oct. 10. For more information contact Olson at 803-284-3343, ext. 231, or visit the test web site at www.clemson.edu/edisto/efbt/efbt.htm.

▣ 51st Tifton Bull Evaluation Program Tifton, Ga.

112-day final report (Feb. 10)

"This is an outstanding set of bulls," Robert Stewart, Extension animal scientist, reports.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 141; owner: Arnold Brown, Brown's Twin Oaks, Orchard Hill, Ga.; sire: Rito 2V1 of 2536 1407; ADG: 5.81 lb.; ADG ratio: 136; WDA: 3.37 lb.; WDA ratio: 98; wt.: 1,380 lb.; SC: 36.0 cm

High-WDA Angus—Lot 92; owner: Harvey Lemmon, Lemmon Cattle Ent., Woodbury, Ga.; sire: B/R Destination 727-928; ADG: 4.93 lb.;

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ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 4.19 lb.; WDA ratio: 122; wt.: 1,556 lb.; SC: 37.0 cm

Angus averages (80 head)—ADG: 4.27 lb.; WDA: 3.43 lb.; wt.: 1,347 lb.

Overall averages (157 head)—ADG: 4.26 lb.; WDA: 3.42 lb.; wt.: 1,339 lb.

The Tifton Bull Evaluation Sale was scheduled for March 4. For more information contact Stewart at 229-386-3683 or rstewart@uga.edu, or visit the test web site www.tifton.uga.edu/pc-web.

▶ Virginia BCIA Culpeper Junior Bull Test Glenmary Farm, Rapidan, Va. 83-day report (Feb. 10)

Forty-one Angus bulls are on test at the Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement Association (BCIA) Culpeper Junior Bull Test.

High-ADG and high-WDA Angus—Lot 118; owner: John Gundzik, Gundzik Angus Farm, Manchester, Md.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 137; WDA: 3.62 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,475 lb.

Angus averages (41 head)—ADG: 3.65 lb.; WDA: 3.02 lb.

Overall averages (58 head)—ADG: 3.31 lb.; WDA: 2.74 lb.

The bulls were scheduled to be weighed off test March 9-10. The sale is scheduled for April 3 with an open-house format. For more information contact Tom and Kim Nixon, station owners/managers, at 540-672-7396 or glenmaryfarm@crucialisp.com or Scott Greiner, educational advisor, at 540-231-9159 or sgreiner@vt.edu. Information is available on the test web site at <http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu>.

▶ 2009 IBEP Summer Test

The entry deadline for the 2009 IBEP

Summer Test is April 6. Bulls born May 1-Oct. 31, 2008, are eligible, including nonrecorded and composite breed bulls. Each bull's WDA must be at least 2.25 lb. when delivered on April 28.

The 125-day performance test begins May 19 and ends Sept. 21, 2009. The 64th IBEP Bull Sale will be Oct. 17 at the Springville Feeder Auction and will follow the Bred Heifer Sale sponsored by the Springville Feeder Auction Association. Heifers will sell at 2 p.m.

Bulls that are suspected to be carriers of a lethal allele (as defined by their breed association) for which a DNA test is available must be DNA-tested and verified free of the lethal allele prior to entry in a test. Lethal traits with available DNA testing include: arthrogyposis multiplex (AM) in Angus, tibial hemimelia (TH) in Shorthorn and other breeds. Consult with your breed association for a complete list of known lethal alleles and DNA testing procedures.

Bulls will be fed a total mixed ration consisting of approximately 55% corn silage, 22% corn grain, 20% dried distillers' grains with solubles, and 3% balancer. Salt and minerals will be provided free-choice.

For more information, contact Terry Stewart at 765-494-0138 or Richard Huntrods at 812-279-8554. Information is available on the test web site, www.ansc.purdue.edu/ibep.

▶ UBIA Bull Test

Kenison Farms & Feedlot, Levan, Utah 112-day final report (Feb. 16-17)

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) Bull Test weighed 229 bulls off test in mid-February.

High-ADG and high-indexing junior Angus—Lot 88; owner: Chris Fullmer, Sigurd,

Utah; sire: Connealy Freightliner; ADG: 4.93 lb.; ADG ratio: 149; WDA: 3.16 lb.; wt.: 1,250 lb.; sale index: 130

High-WDA junior Angus (tie)—Lot 65; owner: Carson Angus Ranch, Larry Carson, Highland, Utah; sire: Stevenson CE Deluxe 1914; ADG: 3.68 lb.; ADG ratio: 111; WDA: 3.80 lb.; wt.: 1,470 lb.; sale index: 114

High-WDA junior Angus (tie)—Lot 132; owner: McPherson Farms, Paul McPherson; Nephi, Utah; sire: PM ND 1407 VDR7078 6449; ADG: 4.08 lb.; ADG ratio: 123; WDA: 3.80 lb.; wt.: 1,368 lb.; sale index: 123

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 231; owner: Brigham Young University, Rexburg, Idaho; sire: Woodhill Foresight; ADG: 3.53 lb.; ADG ratio: 109; WDA: 3.09 lb.; wt.: 1,643 lb.; sale index: 104

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 240; owner: Steve Smith Angus, Lehi, Utah; sire: Manning Selma Alliance 11; ADG: 3.28 lb.; ADG ratio: 102; WDA: 3.23 lb.; wt.: 1,440 lb.; sale index: 104

Junior Angus averages (124 head)—ADG: 3.31 lb.

Junior overall averages (219 head)—ADG: 3.21 lb.; WDA: 3.16 lb.

Senior overall averages (10 head)—ADG: 3.23 lb.

The sale was scheduled for March 21. 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 web site at www.ubiabulls.com.

▶ Southwest Virginia Bull Test Hillwinds Farm, Dublin, Va.

111-day interim junior report (Feb. 10) 111-day final senior report (Feb. 9-10)

Bulls were weighed on test for the Southwest Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement Association (BCIA) Bull Test Oct. 21, 2008. The test was conducted at Hillwinds Farm, Dublin, Va. It is managed by the Virginia Tech Department of Animal and Poultry Science.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 90; owner: Doug Hughes, Little Windy Hill Farms, Max Meadows, Va.; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 5.09 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.68 lb.; wt.: 1,475 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 122; owner: Sara Pratt, Echo Ridge Farm, Fredericksburg, Va.; sire: Rito 6F40 of Rita 4011 FD; ADG: 4.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 105; WDA: 3.80 lb.; wt.: 1,265 lb.

High-ADG and high-indexing senior Angus—Lot 58; owner: Mike Connatser, J&M Windy Acres, Maryville, Tenn.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 5.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; test index: 127; SC: 43.0 cm; wt.: 1,695 lb.

Angus junior averages (63 head)—ADG: 3.96 lb.; WDA: 3.35 lb.; wt.: 1,239 lb.

Overall junior averages (103 head)—ADG: 3.86 lb.; WDA: 3.30 lb.; wt.: 1,210 lb.

Angus senior averages (76 head)—ADG: 3.90 lb.; wt.: 1,445 lb.

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Overall senior averages (105 head)—ADG: 3.89 lb.; wt.: 1,425 lb.

Senior bulls were weighed off test Feb. 9-10; junior bulls are scheduled to be weighed off test March 3. The sale for both senior and junior bulls was scheduled for March 28.

For more information contact Scott Greiner, Extension beef specialist, at 540-231-9159 or sgreiner@vt.edu, or visit the test web site at <http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu>.

▣ West Virginia Young Sire Evaluation Wardensville, W.Va. 56-day report (Feb. 3)

The West Virginia Young Sire Evaluation is under way with 101 Angus bulls on test at the West Virginia University Reymann Memorial Farm in Wardensville. In addition to traditional measures of growth, fertility and body composition, this test measures individual feed intake (FI) and provides insight into each bull's ability to convert feed into marketable product.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 5; owner: Triple O Farms, Amma; sire: GT Shear Force; ADG: 5.05 lb.; ADG ratio: 141; WDA: 3.19 lb.; wt.: 1,162 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 24; owner: Kinsey's Oak Front Farm, Flemington; sire: Mytty in Focus; ADG: 4.09 lb.; ADG ratio: 114; WDA: 3.62 lb.; wt.: 1,282 lb.

Angus averages (101 head)—ADG: 3.59 lb.; WDA: 3.01 lb.; wt.: 1,077 lb.

The annual bull sale was scheduled for March 26. For more information contact Wayne Wagner, test manager, at 304-293-6131, ext. 4205, or visit the test web site at www.wvbeef.org/wbt/wbt.html.

▣ Tucumcari Bull Test Tucumcari, N.M. 84-day report (Feb. 9)

The Tucumcari Bull Test at Tucumcari, N.M., weighed all test groups Feb. 9. All bulls are fertility tested, and verified trichomoniasis and PI-BVD negative. The test index is 40% ADG, 40% WDA and 20% feed-to-gain ratio.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 20-2; owner: Porter Angus Ranch, Mule Creek, N.M.; sire: HV 338 Alliance 6084; ADG: 5.96 lb.; ADG ratio: 131; WDA: 3.31 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; wt.: 1,160 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 12-4; owner: Hartzog Angus Cattle, Farwell, Texas; sire: EXAR Precision 5290; ADG: 5.73 lb.; ADG ratio: 125; WDA: 4.06 lb.; WDA ratio: 126; wt.: 1,280 lb.

High-ADG and high-WDA Angus sire group—Lot 12; owner: Hartzog Angus Cattle; sire: EXAR Precision 5290; avg. ADG: 5.39 lb.; avg. ADG ratio: 118; avg. WDA: 3.85 lb.; avg. WDA ratio: 119; avg. wt.: 1,181 lb.

The 48th Annual Bull and Heifer Sale was scheduled for March 20. For more information contact Manny Encinias, Extension beef cattle specialist, at 505-927-7935 or mencinias@nmsu.edu, or visit the test web site at <http://cahe.nmsu.edu/beefperformancetest>.

▣ Treasure Bull Test Simms, Mont.

100-day report (Feb. 10)

The Treasure Bull Test has now completed 100 days of their test on 150 Angus bulls.

High-ADG spring Angus—Lot 7; owner: Craig & Todd Vejraska, Sunny Okanogan Angus Ranch, Omak, Wash.; sire: Connealy Lead On; ADG: 4.25 lb.; WDA: 3.00 lb.; wt.: 1,185 lb.

High-WDA spring Angus—Lot 216; owner: Myers & Watson, Livingston, Mont.; sire: Rito 112 of 2536 Rito 616; ADG: 3.55 lb.; WDA: 3.83 lb.; wt.: 1,370 lb.

High-ADG spring Angus sire group—Four bulls; owner: Jed Stevenson, Hobson, Mont.; sire: Boyd On Target 1083; avg. ADG: 3.79 lb.; avg. wt.: 1,210 lb.

High-WDA spring Angus sire group—Four bulls; owner: Myers & Watson; sire: Sitz New Design 458N; avg. WDA: 3.3 lb.; avg. wt.: 1,274 lb.

High-WDA fall Angus—Lot 301; owner: Jocko Valley Angus, Marvin Rehbein, Atlee, Mont.; sire: Twin Valley Precision E161; WDA: 3.42 lb.; wt.: 1,815 lb.

Angus spring bull averages (137 head)—ADG: 3.22 lb.; WDA: 3.07 lb.

Angus fall bull averages (13 head)—WDA: 2.77 lb.

Treasure Bull Test bulls sell April 13 at the Western Livestock Auction, Great Falls, Mont. For additional information contact Russ Pepper at 406-264-5694 or 406-799-0174 or brtangus@3rivers.net. The entire progress can be viewed at www.treasurebulltest.com.

▣ MBCIA Jackson Sale Foundation Feeders, Jackson, Minn. 105-day report (Feb. 20)

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 54; owner: Bullerman Angus, Tom & Trisha Bullerman, Adrian, Minn.; sire: TC Gridtopper 355; ADG: 5.07 lb.; WDA: 3.58 lb.; wt.: 1,460 lb.; test index: 119

High-WDA Angus—Lot 24; owner: Oakridge Farm; sire: "Rito 112"; ADG: 4.35 lb.; WDA: 3.97 lb.; wt.: 1,500 lb.; test index: 114

Angus averages (57 head)—ADG: 3.91 lb.; WDA: 3.41 lb.; wt.: 1,207 lb.

Overall averages (73 head)—ADG: 3.91 lb.; WDA: 3.38 lb.; wt.: 1,201 lb.

The test index is based 50% on WDA and 50% on cumulative ADG. The sale is scheduled for April 3 at the Jackson Auction Barn in Jackson, Minn. For more information, contact Ron Holty at 507-429-7963 or rkholty@springgrove.coop.

▣ MCA/MSU Bull Test Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich. 112-day final report (Feb. 26)

Bulls were weighed off test for the Michigan Cattlemen's Association/Michigan State University (MCA/MSU) Bull Test Feb. 26. The test index for the 112-day test is based on the average percentile ranking of a bull for six expected progeny differences

▣ Tifton Performance Tested Bull Sale, March 4, Irwinville



►The Georgia Angus Association (GAA) recognized Brown's Twin Oaks, Griffin, Ga., for consigning the high-indexing Angus bull. BTO 2V1 Rito B720 is a Dec. 2007 son of Rito 2V1 of 2536 1407. He posted an ADG of 5.81 lb. Pictured are (from left) **Arnold Brown**, consignor, and **Chuck Idone**, GAA president.

(EPDs), plus ADG and WDA. Thus, a lower index is more desirable.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 3; owner: Fitzner Farms, Bellevue, Mich.; sire: WCC Perfect Design N251; ADG: 4.96 lb.; WDA: 3.12 lb.; wt.: 1,653 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 55; owner: Apple Hill Angus, John MacMaster, Harrisville, Mich.; sire: GAR Grid Maker; ADG: 4.06 lb.; WDA: 3.69 lb.; wt.: 1,505 lb.

The sale was scheduled for March 21. For more information on the test, contact Brian Plank, farm manager, at 989-235-5853 or psf@cmsinter.net, or visit the test web site at www.micattlemen.org.

▣ LSU 101st Beef Bull Evaluation Test Alexandria, La. 112-day final report (Feb. 17)

Thirty-three Angus bulls were among the 80 weighed on test for Louisiana State University's (LSU's) 101st Beef Bull Evaluation Test Oct. 28, 2008. The test was conducted at the Dean Lee Research Station in Alexandria.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 11; owner: Darnall Place Farm, Carroll Boudreaux, Loreauville, La.; ADG: 5.73 lb.; ADG ratio: 144; WDA: 2.97 lb.; wt.: 1,290 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 3; owner: Pinehills Farm, B.L. Bickham, Schreveport, La.; ADG: 4.44 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 3.44 lb.; wt.: 1,315 lb.

Angus averages (33 head)—ADG: 3.91 lb.; WDA: 2.97 lb.; wt.: 1,126 lb.

Overall averages (80 head)—ADG: 3.62 lb.; WDA: 2.88 lb.; wt.: 1,113 lb.

The sale was scheduled for March 7, 2009. For more information contact Danny Coombs, professor, at 318-473-6528 or by e-mail at dcoombs@agcenter.lsu.edu.

