

Performance Report

▶ Bull test reports and other performance-related items. Compiled by Linda Robbins.

■ Cal Poly Bull Test San Luis Obispo, Calif. 100-day final report (Sept. 1)

Bulls arrived May 11-12, 2012, to go on test for the annual Cal Poly Bull Test. The test is for bulls born between Aug. 1 and Oct. 31, 2011. All bulls must be registered and must be tested negative for PI-BVD. All Angus and composite bulls that are potential carriers of AM, NH or any other genetic defect by ancestors must be tested prior to sale. No carrier animals will be eligible to sell. Angus bulls are tested in low-birth-weight (BW), multi-trait and general divisions.

The test, which has space for 300 bulls, is a 100-day test. Bulls are fed a high-roughage ration to gain a targeted 3-pound (lb.) average daily gain (ADG). On-test weights were collected May 25-26, with final weights taken Sept. 1.

High-ADG low-BW Angus—Lot 46; owner: Teixeira Cattle Co., Pismo Beach, Calif.; sire: Ankonian Adam 8288; ADG: 5.68 lb.; ADG ratio: 137; WDA: 3.58 lb.; wt.: 1,363 lb.; test index: 125

High-WDA low-BW Angus—Lot 86; owner: Valley of the Moon Livestock, Sonoma, Calif.; sire: SydGen Mandate 6079; ADG: 3.90 lb.; ADG ratio: 94; WDA: 3.93 lb.; wt.: 1,550 lb.; test index: 106

High-indexing low-BW Angus—Lot 12; owner: Diablo Valley Angus, Byron, Calif.; sire: SAV Final Answer 0035; ADG: 5.64 lb.; ADG ratio: 136; WDA: 3.75 lb.; wt.: 1,453 lb.; test index: 127

High-ADG multi-trait Angus—Lot 7; owner: Diablo Valley Angus; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 5.25 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.58 lb.; wt.: 1,273 lb.; test index: 112

High-WDA and high-indexing multi-trait Angus—Lot 70; owner: Gudel Cattle Co., Wilton, Calif.; sire: Connealy Final Project; ADG: 5.22 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; WDA: 4.02 lb.; wt.: 1,453 lb.; test index: 118

High-ADG, high-WDA and high-indexing Angus—Lot 28; owner: Flyin' M Cattle Co., Tracy, Calif.; sire: GAR Concrete; ADG: 5.10 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; WDA: 4.06 lb.; wt.: 1,445 lb.; test index: 118

Low-BW Angus averages (72 head)—ADG: 4.16 lb.; WDA: 3.28 lb.; wt.: 1,224 lb.

Multi-trait Angus averages (31 head)— ADG: 4.43 lb.; WDA: 3.36 lb.; wt.: 1,239 lb. Angus averages (33 head)—ADG: 4.31 lb.; WDA: 3.42 lb.; wt.: 1,260 lb.

Qualifying bulls sold Oct. 7.

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Clemson Bull Test Pendleton, S.C. On-test report (Aug. 21)

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 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 went on feed very quickly, and the health of the bulls has been excellent. The test is a 112-day test, with bulls fed utilizing the GrowSafe 6000 system to measure individual feed intake and calculate relative efficiency of individual bulls.

The 12 junior Angus bulls weighed an average 813 lb. going on test. The 41 senior Angus bulls weighed an average of 905 lb.

28-day report (Oct. 2)

High-ADG senior Angus (tie)—Lot 55; owner: Alexander Angus Farm, Six Mile, S.C.; sire: SAV Final Answer; ADG: 6.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 134; WDA: 2.78 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; wt.: 1,055 lb.

High-ADG senior Angus (tie)—Lot 60; owner: Stillwater Cattle Co., Inman, S.C.; sire: Rito 616 of 4B20 6807; ADG: 6.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 134; WDA: 2.86 lb.; WDA ratio: 102; wt.: 1,080 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 43; owner: Shuffler Farm, Union Grove, N.C.; sire: SAV Final Answer 0035; ADG: 5.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; WDA: 3.36 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,250 lb.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 26; owner:

Mull Meadow Farms, Pendleton, S.C.; sire: TC Aberdeen 759; ADG: 5.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 131; WDA: 2.57 lb.; WDA ratio: 87; wt.: 842 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 23; owner: Paul Boyd Angus, Clover, S.C.; sire: Mytty In Focus; ADG: 4.32 lb.; ADG ratio: 105; WDA: 3.32 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,065 lb.

Senior Angus averages (41 head)—ADG: 4.60 lb.; WDA: 2.80 lb.; wt.: 1,032 lb.

Junior Angus averages (11 head)—ADG: 4.11 lb.; WDA: 2.98 lb.; wt.: 924 lb.

Interim weigh dates were to be taken at 28-day intervals Oct. 30 and Nov. 27. The bulls will be weighed off test Dec. 27-28. The test sale is scheduled for Feb. 2, 2013.

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■ Calhoun Bull Evaluation Calhoun, Ga. 56-day report (Sept. 18)

The 43rd Calhoun Bull Evaluation Program began July 2-3 with the delivery of 162 bulls born Sept. 1-Nov. 30, 2011. The bulls were weighed on test July 23-24.

The feed ration is the same as last year. The bulls have free access to Bermuda-grass hay.

An interim weight was scheduled to be taken Oct. 16.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 96; owner: Clark Hill Angus, Jefferson, Ga.; sire: GAR Ingenuity; ADG: 4.59 lb.; ADG ratio: 134; WDA: 3.27 lb.; WDA ratio: 104; wt.: 1,100 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 48; owner: Emilan Angus Farm, Lanny Benson, La Fayette, Ga.; sire: SAV Mandan 5664; ADG: 3.82 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 3.89 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,150 lb.

Angus averages (90 head)—ADG: 3.42 lb.; WDA: 3.14 lb.; wt.: 1,071 lb.

Overall averages (162 head)—ADG: 3.46 lb.; WDA: 3.15 lb.; wt.: 1,081 lb.

Final weights are to be taken Nov. 12-13, with the sale scheduled for Dec. 7, 2012. For more information contact Phil Worley, PO Box 640, Calhoun, GA 30703; phone: 706-624-1403 or 706-624-1398; fax: 706-624-1400. Information is available on the test website, www.caes.uga.edu/commodities/animals/beef/stations/index.html.

■ IBEP 2012 Summer Test Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind. Off-test report (Sept. 24)

The Indiana Bull Evaluation Program (IBEP) 2012 Summer Test began with the delivery

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.

May 1 of 60 bulls and four get-of-sire groups consigned by 27 cooperators from Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. Seven breeds (Angus, Charolais, Hereford, Limousin, Red Angus, SimAngus and Simmental) were weighed on test May 22. Interim weights were scheduled to be taken at 28-day intervals.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 211; owner: Tucker Angus Farm, Morgantown, Ky.; sire: Woodall 8138 of 588 771B; ADG: 5.44 lb.; ADG ratio: 131; WDA: 3.38 lb.; WDA ratio: 100; wt.: 1,730 lb.; test index: 119

High-WDA Angus—Lot 215; owner: Kiata Farms, Hamilton, Ohio; sire: CRA Bextor 872 5205 608; ADG: 4.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 110; WDA: 3.93 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,485 lb.; test index: 113

High-ADG, high-WDA and high-indexing sire group—four bulls; owner: Kiata Farms; sire: CRA Bextor 872 5205 608; avg. ADG: 4.51 lb.; ADG ratio: 109; avg. WDA: 3.75 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; avg. wt.: 1,379 lb.; test index: 110

Angus averages (34 head)—ADG: 4.15 lb.; WDA: 3.38 lb.; wt.: 1,351 lb.

Overall averages (58 head)—ADG: 4.01 lb.; WDA: 3.37 lb.; wt.: 1,329 lb.

The test sale was Oct. 20 in conjunction with the Springville Feeder Auction Association's Bred Heifer Sale.

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■ 108th LSU Beef Bull Evaluation Dean Lee Research Station, Alexandria, La. 112-day final report (Sept. 26)

The 108th Louisiana State University (LSU) Beef Bull Evaluation Test began June 6 with 46 bulls representing four breeds and eight breeders. There were 15 Angus bulls on test. Six additional bulls were evaluated but were not officially on test due to not meeting age or minimum weight requirements. The bulls were group-fed in six pens. Weights were taken at 28-day intervals for the 112-day test.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 14; owner: Dave Means, Roseneath Plantation, Gloster, La.; sire: Connealy Onward; ADG: 4.47 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.47 lb.; wt.: 1,293 lb.; test index: 121

High-WDA Angus—Lot 4; owner: Carroll Boudreaux, New Iberia, La.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 4.13 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.75 lb.; wt.: 1,158 lb.; test index: 119

Angus averages (15 head)—ADG: 3.46 lb.; WDA: 3.13 lb.; wt.: 1,111 lb.

Overall averages (45 head)—ADG: 3.60 lb.; WDA: 3.05 lb.; wt.: 1,099 lb.

For test information contact Sid DeRouen, animal science professor and test manager, at 318-473-6589 or sderouen@agctr.lsu.edu. Test information is also available on the website at www.lsuagcenter.com/en/our_offices/research_stations/Deanlee/Features/bull_test_station.

■ Butner BCIP Bull Test Bahama, N.C. 56-day report (Sept. 18)

The Butner BCIP Bull Test hosted by the North Carolina Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) is a 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 15, 2011. Bulls were delivered to the test station July 11 to start the test July 23-24. The last interim weight was scheduled for Oct. 16, with final weights scheduled for Nov. 12-13.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 9; owner: Leonard Fussell, Primus Genetics, Millers Creek, N.C; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 4.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 145; WDA: 2.50 lb.; WDA ratio: 90; wt.: 966 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 3; owner: Bobby Aldridge, Oakview Farms, Yanceyville, N.C.; sire: SS Objective T510 0T26; ADG: 4.13 lb.; ADG ratio: 137; WDA: 3.47 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,220 lb.

Angus averages (46 head)—ADG: 3.02 lb.; WDA: 2.76 lb.; wt.: 995 lb.

Overall averages (52 head)—ADG: 2.98 lb.; WDA: 2.75 lb.; wt.: 996 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for Dec. 21 at the Granville County Livestock Arena, Oxford, N.C. For more information contact Gary Gregory at 919-515-4027, fax: 919-515-6884 or gary_gregory@ncsu.edu; or Dean Askew at 919-471-6872. Information is available on the test website, www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/animal/bcip/Ahbcip.html.

■ North Carolina BCIP Bull Test Mountain Research Station, Waynesville, N.C.

On-test report (Aug. 7)

The 112-day Waynesville BCIP Bull Test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2011. Bulls were accepted July 25 for an on-test date of Aug. 6-7. Interim weights were scheduled for Oct. 2 and Oct. 30. Bulls will be weighed off test Nov. 25-26. There are 49 bulls overall, 36 of them Angus.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 50; owner: Buddy Hamrick, H&R Farm, Boiling Springs, N.C.; sire: GAR New Design 5050; WDA: 3.52 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,252 lb.

Angus averages (36 head)—WDA: 2.84 lb.; wt.: 828 lb.

Overall averages (49 head)—WDA: 2.77 lb.; wt.: 820 lb.

56-day report (Oct. 2)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 44; owner: Baird Angus, William Baird, Bluff City, Tenn.; sire: SAV Bismarck 5682; ADG: 4.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 2.80 lb.; WDA ratio: 95; wt.: 958 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 50; owner: H&H Farm; sire: GAR New Design 5050; ADG: 3.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 106; WDA: 3.54 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,460 lb.

Angus averages (36 head)—ADG: 3.49 lb.; WDA: 2.95 lb.; wt.: 1,023 lb.

Overall averages (49 head)—ADG: 3.54 lb.; WDA: 2.90 lb.; wt.: 1,018 lb.

The test sale will be Jan. 7, 2012, 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.

■ Virginia BCIA Culpeper Senior Test Glenmary Farm, Rapidan, Va. 56-day report (Sept. 4)

The 55th Culpeper Senior Test conducted by the Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement Association (BCIA) began with the delivery of 92 bulls June 26. The bulls were weighed on test July 10. The test is conducted at Glenmary Farm, Rapidan, Va., and is an 84-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2011. There are 77 Angus among the bulls on test.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 9; owner: Charles Rosson, Quaker Hill Farm, Louisa; sire: GAR New Design 5050; ADG: 4.73 lb.; ADG ratio: 138; WDA: 2.83 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; wt.: 1,025 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 65; owner: Pete and Peter Henderson, Edgewood Angus, Williamsburg; sire: B/R New Day 454; ADG: 3.93 lb.; ADG ratio: 114; WDA: 3.44 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,170 lb.

Angus averages (77 head)—ADG: 3.44 lb.; WDA: 2.86 lb.; wt.: 995 lb.

Overall averages (90 head)—ADG: 3.42 lb.; WDA: 2.85 lb.; wt.: 992 lb.

Off-test weights were scheduled to be collected Oct. 29-30, with the sale set for Dec. 8.

For more information contact Scott Greiner, extension beef specialist, at 540-231-9159, fax: 540-231-3010 or sgreiner@vt.edu; or Tom and Kim Nixon, owner/manager of Glenmary Farm, 540-672-7396, fax: 540-672-3579 or glenmaryfarm@vabb.com; or visit the test website at http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu.

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

Ninety-eight Angus are among the 102 bulls that were weighed on test Sept. 3-4 for the University of Tennessee Senior Bull Test. Interim weights will be collected Oct. 30, with a final 84-day weight taken as an average of weights Nov. 26-27. The sale for the senior bulls is scheduled for Jan. 24, 2013.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 18; owner: Double D Ranch, Marshall, N.C.; sire: SAV Bismarck 5682; ADG: 7.86 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,265 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 10; owner: Chimney Top Angus, Johnson City; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 6.36 lb.; WDA: 4.05 lb.; wt.: 1,480 lb.

Angus averages (98 head)—ADG: 4.97 lb. Overall averages (102 head)—ADG: 4.97 lb.

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