



# Performance Report

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

## ► Virginia BCIA Culpeper Sr. Bull Test Blacksburg, Va. 86-day report (Oct. 6)

The Culpeper Sr. Bull Test began July 12 with starting weights taken on 85 bulls. The average on-test weight for all bulls was 856 lb. There were 74 Angus bulls on test. The test is a 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2015. Final weights were to be taken Nov. 1.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 31; owner: Lucas Farm, Joe and Timmy Lucas, Blacksburg; sire: Connealy Comrade 1385; ADG: 4.24 lb.; ADG ratio: 155; WDA: 2.93 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; wt.: 1,145 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 12; owner: Quaker Hill Farm, Charles Rosson, Louisa; sire: EF Upshot 3213; ADG: 2.44 lb.; ADG ratio: 89; WDA: 3.31 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,075 lb.

**Angus averages (71 head)**—ADG: 2.74 lb.; WDA: 2.85 lb.; wt.: 1,086 lb.

**Overall averages (82 head)**—ADG: 2.74 lb.; WDA: 2.87 lb.; wt.: 1,087 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for Dec. 10 at Glenmary Farm, Rapidan, Va.

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## ► Calhoun Bull Evaluation Northwest Georgia Research and Education Center, Calhoun, Ga. 84-day report (Oct. 11)

The 47th Calhoun Bull Evaluation Program began June 27-28 with the delivery of 150 bulls representing seven breeds. The average on-test weight for the 84 Angus bulls was 904

To access a state-by-state listing of current central bull tests, visit our Virtual Library online at [www.api-virtuallibrary.com/CentralBullTests.htm](http://www.api-virtuallibrary.com/CentralBullTests.htm). The listing includes contact information, links to test websites, current test schedules and dates of upcoming tests.

lb., with overall on-test weights at 885 lb. Eligible bulls were born Sept. 1-Nov. 30, 2015. Off-test weights were scheduled for Nov. 7-8.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 96; owner: Double T, Tim & Tandy West, Centre, Ala.; sire: Connealy Comrade 1385; ADG: 4.89 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.36 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; wt.: 1,275 lb.

**High-WDA (tie) Angus**—Lot 44; owner: Williams Angus Farm, Gene and Michael Williams, Calhoun, Ga.; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36; ADG: 4.24 lb.; ADG ratio: 109; WDA: 3.91 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,250 lb.

**High-WDA (tie) Angus**—Lot 103; owner: Meldon Farm, Melvin Porter, Jefferson, Ga.; sire: MAR Innovation 251; ADG: 3.90 lb.; ADG ratio: 101; WDA: 3.92 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,275 lb.

**Angus averages (83 head)**—ADG: 3.88 lb.; WDA: 3.38 lb.; wt.: 1,230 lb.

**Overall averages (148 head)**—ADG: 3.86 lb.; WDA: 3.32 lb.; wt.: 1,210 lb.

The sale is set for Dec. 2.  
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## ► Connors State College All-Breeds Bull Test Warner, Okla. 84-day report (Oct. 13)

The Connors State College (CSC) Bull Test was initiated by agriculture instructor Robert Hodges in 1961. The cattle market crash in the early 1970s led to the test being discontinued in 1974. In 1977, Gary Harding was hired to lead the ag department and restart the bull test. Both fall and spring tests are 112 days in length. The bulls are fed a complete growing/finishing ration free choice designed to allow for maximum growth.

Nominations for the test were due June 10, 2016. Bulls were received July 4-8 for a start date of July 21. Off-test weights were to be taken Nov. 10.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 6; owner: Christ Family Partnership, John Christ, Bixby, Okla.; sire: SAV Resource 1441; ADG: 5.15 lb.; ADG ratio: 163; WDA: 3.31 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; wt.: 1,395 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 101; owner: Kinnett Farms, Shane Kinnett, Council Hill, Okla.; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 4.23 lb.; ADG ratio: 134; WDA: 3.82 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,390 lb.

The sale is scheduled for Dec. 1, 2016.

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## ► North Carolina BCIP Butner Bull Test Bahama, N.C. 84-day report (Oct. 18)

The Butner Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Bull Test reported 96 bulls were weighed on test July 25-26 with an average on-test weight of 869 lb. The 112-day test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 15, 2015, and had 71 Angus bulls on test. Bulls were delivered to the test station July 13. Final weights were to be taken Nov. 14-15.

**High-ADG and high-WDA Angus**—Lot 62; owner: Shuffler Farm, Eugene Shuffler, Union Grove, N.C.; sire: Jindra Double Vision; ADG: 5.15 lb.; ADG ratio: 140; WDA: 3.79 lb.; WDA ratio: 126; wt.: 1,510 lb.; frame: 6.3.

**Angus averages (70 head)**—ADG: 3.69 lb.; WDA: 3.02 lb.; wt.: 1,181 lb.

**Overall averages (94 head)**—ADG: 3.55 lb.; WDA: 3.00 lb.; wt.: 1,168 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for Dec. 16 at the Granville County Livestock Arena, Oxford, N.C.

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

**55-day report (Oct. 3)**

A total of 57 bulls, 39 of them Angus, were weighed on test Aug. 8-9 for the North Carolina BCIP Waynesville Bull Test with an average on-test weight of 895 lb. The 112-day test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2015. Nominations were due July 6, with bulls accepted for delivery July 27. The next interim weight was scheduled for Nov. 1, with bulls to be weighed off test Nov. 28-29.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 44; owner: Williams Angus, George Williams, Gray, Tenn.; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 5.96 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 3.17 lb.; WDA ratio: 101; wt.: 1,260 lb.; frame: 6.6.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 14; owner: H&H Farm, Buddy Hamrick, Boiling Springs, N.C.; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 3.91 lb.; ADG ratio: 91; WDA: 3.64 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,470 lb.; frame: 6.0.

**Angus averages (39 head)**—ADG: 4.29 lb.; WDA: 3.14 lb.; wt.: 1,129 lb.

**Overall averages (57 head)**—ADG: 4.23 lb.; WDA: 3.13 lb.; wt.: 1,133 lb.

The test sale will be Jan. 9, 2017, at the WNC Regional Livestock Center, Canton, N.C.

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▣ **Florida Bull Test Marianna, Fla.**

**56-day report (Oct. 11-12)**

The North Florida Research and Education Center (NFREC) Bull Test in Marianna, Fla., has reported 56-day test results. Bulls were accepted for delivery July 26 with on-test weights taken Aug. 16-17. The test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Dec. 31, 2015. Purebred animals must be registered, and composites must be out of registered parents.

With a target gain of 3.5 lb. per day, the ration fed will be adequate to allow expression of growth potential and development without overconditioning the bulls. During the first 56 days of the test (in the UF-Feed Efficiency Facility), bulls will receive a total mixed ration containing grain byproducts and forage. During the last 56 days (in the pasture), bulls will receive the same diet in self-feeders, only with a slightly reduced amount of roughage and *ad libitum* access to hay.

Final weights were to be taken Dec. 6-7.  
**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 1512; owner: Harris Livestock LLC, Boston, Ga.; sire: Poss Total

Impact 745; ADG: 4.39 lb.; WDA: 2.72 lb.; wt.: 1,100 lb.; test index: 117

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 1551; owner: Hubert Hightower, Monticello; ADG: 3.30 lb.; WDA: 3.59 lb.; wt.: 1,305 lb.; test index: 113

**High-indexing Angus**—Lot 1537; owner: Griffith Angus Farm, Tallahassee; sire: B/R Destination 928-630; ADG: 4.29 lb.; WDA: 3.01 lb.; wt.: 978 lb.; test index: 120

**Overall averages**—ADG: 3.18 lb.; WDA: 2.93 lb.; wt.: 1,084 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for Jan. 21, 2017.

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/florida-bull-test/>.

▣ **2017 Clemson Bull Test Clemson, S.C.**

**56-day report (Oct. 18)**

Seventy bulls were delivered to the 2017 Clemson Bull Test at the Clemson Beef Cattle Farm near Pendleton Aug. 9. There are 26 senior Angus bulls and 17 junior Angus bulls on test. Steve Meadows, extension animal scientist, says the health of the bulls has been good.

The bulls were weighed on test Aug. 23 following a 14-day warm-up period. The last interim weight was scheduled for Nov. 15. Off-test weights are to be taken Dec. 13.

**High-ADG senior Angus**—Lot 44; owner: Lindy Sheppard, Sylvania, Ga.; sire: GAR Highroller 5281; ADG: 5.64 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.67 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,415 lb.

**High-WDA senior Angus**—Lot 46; owner: Lindy Sheppard; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 5.50 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 3.80 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,505 lb.

**High-ADG junior Angus**—Lot 78; owner: Chimney Top Angus, Greeneville, Tenn.; sire:

GAR Prophet; ADG: 4.77 lb.; ADG ratio: 114; WDA: 3.70 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,290 lb.

**High-WDA junior Angus**—Lot 57; owner: Saluda Ridge Farms, Johnston, S.C.; sire: Connealy Final Product; ADG: 4.67 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 3.71 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,145 lb.

**Senior Angus averages (25 head)**—ADG: 4.43 lb.; WDA: 3.22 lb.; wt.: 1,234 lb.

**Junior Angus averages (17 head)**—ADG: 4.17 lb.; WDA: 3.15 lb.; wt.: 1,027 lb.

**Overall averages (69 head)**—ADG: 4.15 lb.; WDA: 3.17 lb.; wt.: 1,153 lb.

The sale is scheduled for Feb. 7, 2017.

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▣ **University of Tennessee Senior Bull Test Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn.**

**56-day report (Oct. 24)**

The University of Tennessee Bull Testing Program accepted delivery of bulls for the senior bull test Aug. 16 and weighed a total of 109 bulls on test Aug. 30-31. The 84-day test is being conducted at the Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn. Senior bulls must have been born Sept. 1-Nov. 30, 2015. There were 100 Angus bulls on test. The next interim weight was scheduled for Oct. 24.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 5; owner: Brent Freeman, Pleasant View; sire: Poss Total Impact 745; ADG: 5.50 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 2.78 lb.; wt.: 1,050 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 87; owner: Rural

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Venture Farm, Lawrenceburg, Ky.; sire: JRS In Focus 250 RV; ADG: 4.88 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 3.70 lb.; wt.: 1,480 lb.

**Angus averages (100 head)**—ADG: 4.22 lb.

**Overall averages (109 head)**—ADG: 4.25 lb.

The sale is scheduled for Jan. 19, 2017.

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### ▶ OPSU Beef Bull Performance Test

**Goodwell, Okla.**

**On-test report (Oct. 8)**

The 100 beef bulls consigned to the 65th annual Oklahoma Panhandle State University (OPSU) Beef Bull Performance Test were weighed on test Oct. 8. Consigned by 19 breeders, breeds represented were Angus, Maine-Anjou, Limousin Flex, Hereford and Polled Hereford. The 112-day test ends Jan. 28, 2017.

OPSU students working on the test are Cooper Hill, Comanche, Okla.; Nathan Johnson, Longmont, Colo.; Peter (JT) Surrage,

Mead, Colo.; and Sidney Tigler, Peru, Ind.

The sale is scheduled for Feb. 27, 2017.

Those interested in following the performance of the bulls during the test can contact Gwen Martin at 580-349-1500 or [gwen@opsu.edu](mailto:gwen@opsu.edu).

### ▶ Snake River Bull Test

**Twin Falls, Idaho**

**On-test report (Oct. 16)**

The Snake River Bull Test reported 207 bulls weighed on test Oct. 16, including 101 junior Angus and 29 senior Angus. Entry deadline was Sept. 16, with delivery accepted Oct. 8. Interim weights are scheduled for Dec. 10, 2016, and Jan. 7, 2017. Off-test weights will be taken Feb. 4 and 6. The test sale will be March 3, 2017.

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### ▶ Tifton Bull Evaluation Program

**Tifton Bull Evaluation Center, Tifton, Ga.**

**On-test report (Oct. 18)**

The 59th Tifton Bull Evaluation Program began Sept. 26 and 27 with the delivery of 157 bulls representing eight different breeds and averaging 838 lb. Weather conditions have been dry, and the bulls have adapted

well to the self-feeders, with improved overall health compared to last year at this time, says Jacob Segers, extension animal scientist.

The 112-day test features bulls born Dec. 1, 2014-Feb. 28, 2016. All bulls tested negative for persistent infection with bovine viral diarrhea (PI-BVD).

Going on test Oct. 18, the 83 Angus bulls averaged 821 lb. for a WDA of 2.96 lb., while all 157 bulls averaged 838 lb. with a WDA of 3.00 lb. The next weigh day was scheduled for Nov. 15. Interim weights are to be collected Dec. 13, 2016, and Jan. 10, 2017, with final weights scheduled for collection Feb. 6-7. Qualifying bulls will sell in the test sale March 1.

Visitors are welcome at the station 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Contact Segers for more information at 2360 Rainwater Rd., Tifton, GA 31793; phone: 229-386-3683 or at [jacobs@uga.edu](mailto:jacobs@uga.edu). 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](http://www.caes.uga.edu/commodities/animals/beef/index.html).

### ▶ UBIA Bull Test

**Kenison Feedlot, Levan, Utah**

**On-test report (Oct. 18)**

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) received a total of 236 junior and senior bulls Oct. 5 at Kenison Farm and

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Feedlot, Levan. Bulls entered in the senior test must have been born Sept. 1-Dec. 31, 2015. Bulls entered in the junior test must have been born Jan. 1-March 15, 2016. There are 143 junior Angus bulls and 11 senior Angus bulls on test. Interim weights were scheduled for Dec. 13, 2016, and Jan. 10, 2017. Bulls will be weighed off test Feb. 6 and 8. The test sale is scheduled for March 18.

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.

For more information contact Kim

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### MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich. On-test report (Oct. 21)

The Michigan Cattlemen's Association (MCA) and Michigan State University (MSU) have announced the beginning of the MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program, with 103 bulls weighing an average of 783 lb. Consignors must be paid members of the MCA and have their 2017 dues paid in advance. To be eligible for the test, bulls must have been born Sept. 1, 2015-March 31, 2016. There are 47 junior Angus bulls and nine senior Angus bulls on test.

All bulls will be evaluated at the MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program Station located at

Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich. The deadline for entries for the 112-day test was Sept. 1, with a delivery date of Oct. 7-8. Interim reports are scheduled for Nov. 18, Dec. 16, 2016, and Jan. 13, 2017. Final weights will be taken Feb. 10, with the sale scheduled for March 18.

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