



Performance Report

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▣ IBEP Summer Test

**Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind.
125-day final report (Sept. 22)**

Bulls and get-of-sire groups were delivered May 2 for the 2017 test, which started May 23. A total mixed ration (TMR) composed of 55% corn silage, 22% corn grain, 20% dried distillers' grains with solubles (DDGS) and 3% balancer was fed.

Bulls eligible for the test were born May 1-Oct. 31, 2016.

High-ADG and high-indexing (tie) Angus—Lot 41; owner: Dolph Angus, Walkerton, Ind.; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 5.19 lb.; ADG ratio: 140; WDA: 3.46 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,645 lb.; test index: 127; frame: 5.7

High-WDA Angus—Lot 4; owner: Hanlin Farms, Pennville, Ind.; sire: EXAR Denver 2002B; ADG: 3.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 100; WDA: 3.79 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,380 lb.; test index: 107; frame: 7.2

High-indexing (tie) Angus—Lot 16; owner: Oval Ridge Farm, Marshall, Ill.; sire: SAV Resource 1441; ADG: 4.98 lb.; ADG ratio: 134; WDA: 3.75 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,405 lb.; test index: 127; frame: 4.8

Angus averages (51 head)—ADG: 3.72 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.; wt.: 1,247 lb.

Overall averages (68 head)—ADG: 3.64 lb.; WDA: 3.19 lb.; wt.: 1,248 lb.

Qualifying bulls were to sell Oct. 21 in the 76th IBEP Bull Sale and Springville Feeder Auction Association Bred Heifer Sale.

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

112-day final report (Oct. 30-31)

A total of 60 bulls, 47 of them Angus, were weighed on test July 11 for the North Carolina Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Waynesville Bull Test with an average on-test weight of 861 lb. The 112-day test was for bulls born Aug. 1-Nov. 15, 2016.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 21; owner: Evening Star Ranch, Tommy McGee, Lenoir; ADG: 5.25 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.38 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; wt.: 1,390 lb.; test index: 107; frame: 5.9; SC: 36 cm

High-WDA and high-indexing Angus—Lot 28; owner: Shuffler Angus, Eugene Shuffler, Union Grove; ADG: 4.51 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 3.99 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,465 lb.;

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test index: 116; frame: 7.5; SC: 38 cm

Angus averages (40 head)—ADG: 4.03 lb.; WDA: 3.30 lb.; wt.: 1,312 lb.

Overall averages (57 head)—ADG: 3.93 lb.; WDA: 3.27 lb.; wt.: 1,321 lb.

The test sale will be Dec. 8 at the WNC Regional Livestock Center, Canton, N.C.

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 Sr. Bull Test Blacksburg, Va.

86-day report (Oct. 4)

The Culpeper Sr. Bull Test began July 11 with starting weights taken on 111 bulls. There were 108 Angus bulls on test. The test is a 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2016. Final weights were to be taken Oct. 31.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 66; owner: Spring Hill Farm, Greg and Becky Moore, Bridgeport, W.Va.; sire: VAR Discovery 2240; ADG: 5.06 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.09 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; wt.: 1,145 lb.; frame: 5.9

High-WDA Angus—Lot 79; owner: Silver Creek Angus, John Prekker, Danville; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 4.06 lb.; ADG ratio: 108; WDA: 3.76 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,330 lb.; frame: 6.9

Angus averages (108 head)—ADG: 3.75 lb.; WDA: 3.12 lb.; wt.: 1,192 lb.

Overall averages (111 head)—ADG: 3.72 lb.; WDA: 3.10 lb.; wt.: 1,188 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for Dec. 9 at Glenmary Farm, Rapidan, Va.

For more information contact Scott Greiner, extension beef specialist, at 540-231-9159; fax: 540-231-3713 or sgreiner@vt.edu; or Tom & Kim Nixon, owner/manager, Glenmary Farm, at 540-672-7396; fax: 540-672-3579 or glenmaryfarm@vabb.com. Information is also available on the test website, <http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu>.

▣ North Carolina BCIP Butner Bull Test Bahama, N.C.

84-day report (Oct. 17)

The Butner Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Bull Test reported 90 bulls

were weighed on test July 25. The 112-day test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 15, 2016, and had 70 Angus bulls on test. Bulls were delivered to the test station July 12. Final weights were to be taken Nov. 13-14.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 27; owner: Primus Genetics, Leonard Fussell, Millers Creek; sire: KCF Bennett Fortress; ADG: 5.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 140; WDA: 3.31 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,265 lb.; frame: 5.8.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 33; owner: Overcash Angus, Dennis Overcash, Mooresville; sire: KCF Bennett Absolute; ADG: 4.23 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 3.69 lb.; WDA ratio: 122; wt.: 1,350 lb.; frame: 6.2

Angus averages (70 head)—ADG: 3.68 lb.; WDA: 3.02 lb.; wt.: 1,163 lb.

Overall averages (90 head)—ADG: 3.65 lb.; WDA: 3.01 lb.; wt.: 1,165 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for Dec. 15 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, station manager, at 919-471-6872. Information is available on the test website, www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/animal/bcip/Ahbcip.html.

▣ Calhoun Bull Evaluation

Northwest Georgia Research and Education Center, Calhoun, Ga.

84-day report (Oct. 10)

The 48th Calhoun Bull Evaluation Program began June 26-27 with the delivery of 151 bulls representing five breeds. The average on-test weight for the 103 Angus bulls was 873 lb., with overall on-test weights averaging 873 lb. Eligible bulls were born Sept. 1-Nov. 30, 2016.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 103; owner: Bridges Angus Farm, Phillip and Alan Bridges, Lexington, Ga.; sire: Plattermere Weigh Up K360; ADG: 5.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 134; WDA: 3.71 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,495 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 51; owner: Taylor Angus, Danny Taylor, Adairsville, Ga.; sire: SAV Brave 8320; ADG: 4.24 lb.; ADG ratio: 110; WDA: 3.98 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,300 lb.

Angus averages (103 head)—ADG: 3.87 lb.; WDA: 3.31 lb.; wt.: 1,198 lb.

Overall averages (151 head)—ADG: 3.87 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.; wt.: 1,198 lb.

Off-test weights were scheduled for Nov. 6-7. The sale is set for Dec. 1.

For more information contact Jason Duggin, Extension beef animal scientist, phone: 706-624-1403; cell: 706-728-4354; jduggin@uga.edu; or visit the website at www.ugabeef.com/programs.

▣ **2018 Clemson Bull Test
Clemson, S.C.
56-day report (Oct. 17)**

Fifty-nine bulls were delivered to the 2018 Clemson Bull Test at the Clemson Beef Cattle Farm near Pendleton, S.C., Aug. 9. There are 19 senior Angus bulls and 13 junior Angus bulls on test. The bulls were weighed on test Aug. 24 following a 14-day warm-up period.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 41; owner: Primus Genetics, Millers Creek, N.C.; sire: SAV Plattermere Weigh Up; ADG: 4.95 lb.; ADG ratio: 125; WDA: 2.98 lb.; WDA ratio: 94; wt.: 1,225 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 53; owner: Oak Hill Farm, Six Mile, S.C.; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 3.89 lb.; ADG ratio: 98; WDA: 3.64 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,380 lb.

High-ADG and high-WDA junior Angus—Lot 77; owner: Currahee Cattle Co., Ken Whitfield, Toccoa, Ga.; sire: Rito 303 of 9Q15 Prog; ADG: 4.38 lb.; ADG ratio: 120; WDA: 3.43 lb.; WDA ratio: 107; wt.: 1,160 lb.

Senior Angus averages (19 head)—ADG: 3.97 lb.; WDA: 3.16 lb.; wt.: 1,204 lb.

Junior Angus averages (13 head)—ADG: 3.66 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.; wt.: 1,042 lb.

The next interim weight was scheduled for Nov. 14. Off-test weights are to be taken Dec. 12. The sale is scheduled for Feb. 3, 2018.

For additional information contact Steven Meadows, bull test program director, at smdws@clemson.edu or at 864-633-9970 (cell) or Gary Burns, Clemson Bull Test manager at gburns@clemson.edu or at 864-617-3402 (cell). Information is also available on the test website at www.clemson.edu/extension/livestock/beef/bulltests-cubt/.

▣ **University of Tennessee Senior Bull Test
Middle Tennessee Research and Education
Center, Spring Hill, Tenn.
56-day report (Oct. 31)**

The University of Tennessee Bull Testing Program accepted delivery of bulls for the senior bull test Aug. 22 and weighed a total of 90 bulls on test Sept. 4. 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-Dec. 20, 2016. There were 73 Angus bulls on test. At the 56-day mark, performance leaders included:

High-ADG Angus—Lot 57; owner: Mills Angus Farms, Cookeville; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36; ADG: 6.52 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.47 lb.; wt.: 1,465 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 60; owner: Mills Angus Farms; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36; ADG: 6.16 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.96 lb.; wt.: 1,555 lb.

Angus averages (71 head)—ADG: 4.84 lb.

Overall averages (88 head)—ADG: 4.75 lb.

Final weights were to be taken Nov. 27-28, 2017. The sale is TBA.

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 <https://ag.tennessee.edu/AnimalScience/Pages/BullTestProgram.aspx>.

▣ **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 25 with on-test weights taken Aug. 15 and 16. The test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Dec. 31, 2016. 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. The diet is a grain and forage-based diet formulated to target 3.5 lb. of gain per day, with *ad libitum* access to hay, adequate for allowing expression of growth potential and development without overconditioning the bulls.

High-ADG and low-F:G Angus—Lot 1636; owner: Triple S Cattle, Southside, Ala.; sire: SAV Platinum 0010; ADG: 3.79 lb.; WDA: 2.54 lb.; wt.: 955 lb.; F:G: 5.63; RFI: 0.03; test index: 107

High-WDA Angus—Lot 1657; owner: Hubert Hightower, Waukeenah; ADG: 2.99 lb.; WDA: 3.33 lb.; wt.: 1,258 lb.; F:G: 8.06; RFI: -0.55; test index: 107

High-indexing Angus—Lot 1632; owner:

Windy Hill Angus Farm, Jack Tate, Boaz, Ala.; sire: SAV Potential 0205; ADG: 3.66 lb.; WDA: 3.28 lb.; wt.: 1,295 lb.; test index: 117

Overall averages—ADG: 3.05 lb.; WDA: 2.87 lb.; wt.: 1,066 lb.

The next interim weight was scheduled for Nov. 8, with final weights to be taken Dec. 5-6. The test sale is scheduled for Jan. 20, 2018.

For more information contact the Beef Unit, bull test coordinator, University of Florida-NFREC, 3925 Hwy. 71, Marianna, FL 32446; phone: 850-526-1621, or visit the test website at http://nfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/fl_bull_test/index.shtml.

▣ **Tifton Bull Evaluation Program
Tifton Bull Evaluation Center, Tifton, Ga.
On-test report (Oct. 10)**

The 60th Tifton Bull Evaluation Program began Oct. 9-10 with the delivery of 146 bulls representing eight different breeds and averaging 843 lb. The 112-day test features bulls born Dec. 1, 2016-Feb. 28, 2017. All bulls tested negative for persistent infection with bovine viral diarrhea (PI-BVD).

Going on test Oct. 10, the 76 Angus bulls averaged 855 lb. for a WDA of 3.14 lb., while all 146 bulls averaged 843 lb. with a WDA of 3.06 lb. The next weigh day was scheduled for Nov. 7. Interim weights are to be collected Dec. 5, 2017, and Jan. 2, 2018, with final weights scheduled for collection Jan. 29-30, 2018.

Qualifying bulls will sell in the test sale March 7.

Visitors are welcome at the station 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Contact Jacob Segers for more information at 2360 Rainwater Rd., Tifton, GA 31793; phone: 229-386-3683 or at jacobs@uga.edu. If weekend visits are desired, please call Mike Keeler at 229-831-5416. Bull and heifer reports can be

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accessed through the test website at www.ugabeef.com/programs.

▶ OPSU Beef Bull Performance Test Goodwell, Okla.

On-test report (Oct. 7)

The 85 beef bulls consigned to the 66th annual Oklahoma Panhandle State University (OPSU) Beef Bull Performance Test were weighed on test Oct. 7. Consigned by 17 breeders, breeds represented were Angus, Hereford, Maine-Anjou and Red Angus. The 112-day test ends Jan. 27, 2018.

OPSU students working on the test are Wyatt Hammack, Platteville, Colo.; and Peter (JT) Surrage, Mead, Colo. Sidney Tigler, Peru, Ind., and Hannah Hammack, Platteville, Colo., have volunteered to help when needed.

The sale is scheduled for Feb. 19, 2018. Those interested in following the

performance of the bulls during the test can contact Gwen Martin at 580-349-1500 or gwen@opsu.edu.

▶ UBIA Bull Test Kenison Feedlot, Levan, Utah

On-test report (Oct. 18)

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) received junior and senior bulls Oct. 2 at Kenison Farm and Feedlot, Levan. Bulls entered in the senior test must have been born Sept. 1-Dec. 31, 2016. Bulls entered in the junior test must have been born Jan. 1-March 15, 2017. There are 159 junior Angus bulls and 10 senior Angus bulls on test. Interim weights were scheduled for Dec. 12, 2017, and Jan. 9, 2018. Bulls will be weighed off test Feb. 6. The test sale is scheduled for March 17, 2018.

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 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.

▶ Iowa Angus Ass'n Bull Test Werner Feed Efficiency Center Diagonal, Iowa

On-test report (Oct. 25)

The Iowa Angus Ass'n accepted bulls Oct. 4 at the Werner Feed Efficiency Center, Diagonal, Iowa, for its 100-day bull test. Bulls are scheduled to go off test Feb. 20, 2018. The sale is scheduled for April 27, 2018.

For more information contact Tricia and Colby Holmes, coordinators, at 1424 220th St., Benton, IA 50835; phone: 642-785-2315;

fax: 641-785-2220. Information is also available on the website at www.iowaangus.org.

▣ **MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program
Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich.
On-test report (Oct. 26-27)**

The Michigan Cattlemen's Ass'n (MCA) and Michigan State University (MSU) have announced the beginning of the MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program, with 115 bulls weighing an average of 821 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, 2016-March 31, 2017. There are 35 junior Angus bulls and 14 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. 13-14. Interim reports

are scheduled for Nov. 22; Dec. 22, 2017; and Jan. 19, 2018. Final weights will be taken Feb. 15-16.

The sale is scheduled for March 18. For more information contact Dan Buskirk (buskirk@msu.edu) extension beef specialist; 2265 Anthony Hall, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824; 517-432-0400; Brian Plank, (brianplank@rocketmail.com) manager, 325 Mount Hope Rd., Crystal, MI 48818; phone: 989-235-6253 (office) or 989-506-2061 (cell); Michigan Cattlemen's Ass'n (micattlemen@aol.com), 2145 University Park Dr., Ste. 300, Okemos, MI 48864; phone: 517-347-8117. Additional information can be found on the test website at <http://beef.msu.edu/bulleval>.

▣ **Manitoba Beef Cattle
Performance Ass'n Bull Test
Douglas Bull Station, Manitoba, Canada
On-test report (Oct. 31)**

The Manitoba Beef Cattle Performance

Ass'n Bull & Heifer Development Test took delivery Oct. 2-5 of bulls for the 2017-2018 test at its Douglas Bull Test Station in Carberry, Man., Canada. Consignors must be members of the Manitoba Beef Cattle Association, and bulls must have been born Jan. 1-April 30, 2017, to be eligible for the 112-day test.

Tentative interim weigh dates are Dec. 25, 2017, and Jan. 23, 2018. Bulls will be weighed off test Feb. 19-20.

The sale is scheduled for March 31, 2018.

For more information contact Ivan Ahnholz, station manager, office phone: 204-763-4696; cell: 204-724-6271; or Bev Walker, office manager, office phone: 204-763-4696; fax: 204-763-4102; bulltest@mynetset.ca; or visit the test website at www.manitobabulltest.com.

