# ■ IBEP Summer Test Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind. 91-day report (Aug. 16)

The 75th Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Summer Test entry deadline was April 4, with bulls and get-of-sire groups delivered April 26 for the 2016 test. The test started May 17. 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, 2015. The bulls were to be weighed off test Sept. 19.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 45; owner: Home Acres Farm Inc., Lebanon, Ohio; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 5.42 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 3.10 lb.; WDA ratio: 97; wt.: 1,465 lb.; test index: 123

High-WDA Angus—Lot 231; owner: Kiata Farms, Hamilton, Ohio; sire: Deer Valley All In; ADG: 3.86 lb.; ADG ratio: 99; WDA: 3.86 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,155 lb.; index: 108

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus sire group—three bulls; owner: Home Acres Farm Inc.; sire: Home Acres CC&7 7118; avg. ADG: 4.66 lb.; ADG ratio: 120; avg. WDA: 2.93 lb.; WDA ratio: 92; avg. wt.: 1,328 lb.; test index: 109

High-WDA Angus sire group—three bulls; owners: Brown Family Farms, Norman, Ind., and Kiata Farms; sire: Deer Valley All In; avg. ADG: 3.87 lb.; ADG ratio: 100; avg. WDA: 3.55 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; avg. wt.: 1,143 lb.; test index: 104

**Angus averages (61 head)**—ADG: 3.89 lb.; WDA: 3.19 lb.; wt.: 1,156 lb.

Overall averages (81 head)—ADG: 3.74 lb.; WDA: 3.18 lb.; wt.: 1,142 lb.

Bulls will sell Oct. 15 in the 75th IBEP Bull Sale and Springville Feeder Auction Association Bred Heifer Sale.

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# ■ Cal Poly Bull Test San Luis Obispo, Calif. 100-day final report (Aug. 19)

Bulls arrived April 29-30 to go on test for the annual Cal Poly Bull Test. The test was for bulls born between Aug. 1 and Oct. 31, 2015. To be eligible for the test, all bulls must be registered and must be tested negative for persistent infection with bovine viral diarrhea 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.

(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 14-15.

High-ADG and high-indexing (tie) low-BW Angus—Lot 31; owner: Westwind Angus, Oroville, Calif.; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36; ADG: 4.23 lb.; ADG ratio: 121; WDA: 3.76 lb.; wt.: 1,413 lb.; test index: 118

High-WDA and high-indexing (tie) low-BW Angus—Lot 49; owner: Diablo Valley Angus, Byron, Calif.; sire: Baldridge Waylon W34; ADG: 3.95 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; WDA: 4.04 lb.; wt.: 1,333 lb.; test index: 118

High-ADG, high-WDA and high-indexing multi-trait Angus—Lot 55; owner: Diablo Valley Angus; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36; ADG: 4.27 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; WDA: 4.12 lb.; wt.: 1,363 lb.; test index: 119

High-ADG, high-WDA (tie) and highindexing general Angus—Lot 48; owner: Diablo Valley Angus; sire: Baldridge Waylon W34; ADG: 4.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.75 lb.; wt.: 1,403 lb.; test index: 123

High-WDA (tie) general Angus—Lot 109; owner: BW Angus, Livermore, Calif.; sire: DPL Dash N08; ADG: 3.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 103; WDA: 3.75 lb.; wt.: 1,173 lb.; test index: 109

Angus low-BW averages (58 head)—ADG: 3.49 lb.: WDA: 3.29 lb.

Angus multi-trait averages (27 head)— ADG: 3.62 lb.; WDA: 3.43 lb.

**General Angus averages (25 head)—**ADG: 3.49 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.

The sale was scheduled for Oct. 2. For more information contact Keela Retallick, beef cattle specialist, Department of Animal Science, Cal Poly State University, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407; phone: 805-756-2685; fax: 805-756-5069; kretalli@calpoly.edu; http://bulltest.calpoly.edu.

#### ■ Calhoun Bull Evaluation Northwest Georgia Research and Education Center, Calhoun, Ga. 28-day report (Aug. 16)

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 lb., with overall on-test weights at 885 lb. Eligible bulls were born Sept. 1-Nov. 30, 2015. The next weigh date is Oct. 11, with off-test weights scheduled for Nov. 7-8.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 89; owner: Double T, Tim and Tandy West, Centre, Ala.; sire: Boyd Forword 6025; ADG: 5.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 166; WDA: 2.88 lb.; WDA ratio: 89; wt.: 978 lb.

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 93; owner: Oakdale Farms, Wiliam Watters, Rome, Ga.; sire: Plattemere Weigh Up K360; ADG: 3.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 108; WDA: 3.73 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,010 lb.

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 99; owner: Meldon Farm, Melvin Porter, Jefferson, Ga.; sire: Plattemere Weigh Up K360; ADG: 3.29 lb.; ADG ratio: 96; WDA: 3.73 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,105 lb.

**Angus averages (83 head)**—ADG: 3.44 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt: 1,000 lb.

**Overall averages (149 head)**—ADG: 3.42 lb.; WDA: 3.18 lb.; wt.: 980 lb.

The sale is set for Dec. 2.

For more information contact Jason Duggin, Extension beef animal scientist, phone: 706-624-1403; fax: 706-629-8686; jduggin@ uga.edu; or visit the website at www.caes.uga.edu/commodities/animals/beef/stations/index.html.

## Connors State College All Breeds Bull Test Warner, Okla. 28-day report (Aug. 20)

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

2016-2017 schedule for centralized performance bull tests

Test name	On test	Off test	Sale date
Butner Bull Test (N.C.)	July 25-26, 2016	Nov. 14-15, 2016	Dec. 16, 2016
Cal Poly Bull Test (Calif.)	May 14-15, 2016	Aug. 18-19, 2016	Oct. 2, 2016
Calhoun Bull Evaluation (Ga.)	July 18-19, 2016	Nov. 7-8, 2016	Dec. 2, 2016
Clemson Bull Test (S.C.)	Aug. 23, 2016	Dec. 13, 2016	Feb. 4, 2017
Connors State College Bull Test (Okla.)	July 21, 2016	Nov. 10, 2016	Dec. 1, 2016
Florida Bull Test	Aug. 16-17, 2016	Dec. 6-7, 2016	Jan. 21, 2017
Hinds Bull Test (Miss.)	Oct. 18, 2016	Feb. 7, 2017	March 2, 2017
IBEP Summer (Ind.)	May 17, 2016	Sept. 19, 2016	Oct. 15, 2016
IBEP Winter (Ind.)	Nov. 1, 2016	March 27, 2017	April 20, 2017
IBEP 2017 Summer (Ind.)	May 23, 2017	Sept. 25, 2017	Oct. 21, 2017
Kansas Bull Test	Nov. 10, 2016	Feb. 16, 2017	March 22, 2017
MCA/MSU (Mich.)	Oct. 20-21, 2016	Feb. 9-10, 2017	March 18, 2017
Nebraska Bull Test	Oct. 13-14, 2016	Feb. 10-11, 2017	March 22, 2017
North Alabama Bull Evaluation	Aug. 9, 2016	Nov. 1, 2016	Dec. 10, 2016
OPSU Bull Test (Okla.)	Oct. 8, 2016	Jan. 28, 2017	Feb. 27, 2017
Pennsylvania Bull Test	Nov. 1, 2016	Feb. 21, 2017	March 31, 2017
Snake River Bull Test (Idaho)	Oct. 15-16, 2016	Feb. 4 & 6, 2017	March 3, 2017
Southern Illinois Un. (SIU) Bull Test	Nov. 8, 2016	Jan. 30-31, 2017	March 3, 2017
Southern West Virginia Test	Nov. 8-9, 2016	Feb. 8-9, 2017	March 25, 2017
South Mississippi Forage Bull Test	Nov. 18, 2016	May 5, 2017	May 20, 2017
Tifton Bull Evaluation (Ga.)	Oct. 17-18, 2016	Feb. 6-7, 2017	March 1, 2017
Un. of Florida Bull Test	Aug. 16-17, 2016	Dec. 6-7, 2016	Jan. 21, 2017
Un. of Tennessee (Sr.) Bull Test	Aug. 30-31, 2016	Nov. 21-22, 2016	Jan. 19, 2017
Un. of Tennessee (Jr.) Bull Test	Nov. 7-8, 2016	Jan. 30, 2017	March 9, 2017
Utah Beef Improvement Ass'n Bull Test	Oct. 17 & 19, 2016	Feb. 6 & 8, 2017	March 18, 2017
Virginia BCIA Culpeper Sr. Bull Test	July 12, 2016	Nov. 1, 2016	Dec. 10, 2016
Virginia BCIA SW Jr. & Sr. Test	Oct. 25, 2016	Feb. 14, 2017	March 25, 2017
Wardensville (W.Va.) Bull Test	Nov. 21-22, 2016	Feb. 15-16, 2017	March 23, 2017
Waynesville Bull Test (N.C)	Aug. 8-9, 2016	Nov. 28-29, 2016	Jan. 7, 2017
Western Illinois Un. (WIU) Bull Test	Oct. 19-20, 2016	Feb. 8-9, 2017	March 10, 2017
WCA All-Breeds Test (WA)	Nov. 1-2, 2016	Feb. 28-March 1, 2017	March 22, 2017

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. The 84-day weight is scheduled for Oct. 13, with off-test weights to be taken Nov. 10.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 19; owner: Lee Angus Cattle Co., Austin Lee, Vinita, Okla.; sire: SAV Resource 1441; ADG: 5.18 lb.; wt.: 1.085 lb.

The sale is scheduled for Dec. 1, 2016. For more information contact Todd
Trennepohl, bull test oversight, at 918-463-6279 or todd.trennepohl@okstate.edu; Ron Ramming at 918-869-7573 or rronald@ connorsstate.edu; or Roger Morton, farm manager, at 918-557-4560 or roger.morton@ connorsstate.edu. For more information visit the test website at www.connorscc.ok.us/agriculture.

#### **☑** Virginia BCIA Culpeper Sr. on-test report

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 are 74 Angus bulls on test. The test is a 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov.

30, 2015. Interim weights were to be collected Sept. 6 and Oct. 4, with final weights to be taken Nov. 1. The test sale is scheduled for Dec. 10 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, <a href="http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu">http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu</a>.

#### ■ Florida Bull Test on-test report

The North Florida Research and Education Center (NFREC) Bull Test in Marianna, Fla., has begun. Bulls nominated by June 15 were accepted for delivery July 26 with on-test weights taken Aug. 16 and 17. There were 59 Angus among the 129 bulls weighed on test. The average test weight on all bulls was 907 lb. The test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Dec. 31, 2015. 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 will be a grain and forage-based diet formulated to target 3.5 lb. gain per day, with *ad libitum* access to hay, adequate for allowing expression of growth potential and development without overconditioning the

Interim weights are scheduled for Sept. 14, Oct. 11-12 and Nov. 9. Final weights will be taken Dec. 6-7, and the test sale will be 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 850-526-1621; or visit the test website at http://nfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/fl\_bull\_test/index.shtml.

#### **≥** 2017 Clemson Bull Test begins

Bulls were delivered to the 2017 Clemson Bull Test at the Clemson Beef Cattle Farm near Pendleton, S.C., Aug. 9. Purebred breeders from four states (South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee and Georgia) consigned bulls. Steve Meadows, extension animal scientist and Clemson Bull Test coordinator, says the weather was hot and

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dry during the first two weeks of the warmup, but they are starting to get rain. He says overall the health of the bulls has been excellent.

The bulls were weighed on test Aug. 23 following a 14-day warm-up period. Their average on-test weight was 915 lb. Interim weights are scheduled for Sept. 20, Oct. 18 and Nov. 15. Off-test weights are to be taken Dec. 13. The sale is scheduled for Feb. 4, 2017.

For additional information contact Meadows at 864-656-0681 or smdws@

clemson.edu; Gary Burns, Clemson University Beef Farm manager and 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/bulltest/Clemson/index.html.

### ■ University of Tennessee Senior Bull Test Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn. On-test report (Aug. 30)

The University of Tennessee Bull Testing Program weighed a total of 109 bulls on test Aug. 30. 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 are 100 Angus bulls on test. Interim weights are scheduled for Sept. 27 and Oct. 24, with off-test weights to be taken Nov. 21-22. The test sale is scheduled for Jan. 19, 2017.

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.

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