



Performance Report

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

Butner BCIP Bull Test

Bahama, N.C.

112-day final report (Nov. 17, 2015)

The Butner BCIP Bull Test reported 91 bulls were weighed on test July 28 with an average on-test weight of 905 lb. The 112-day test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 15, 2014, and has 74 Angus bulls on test. Bulls were delivered to the test station July 15. The test sale is scheduled for Dec. 18 at the Granville County Livestock Arena, Oxford, N.C.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 59; owner: Panther Creek Angus, John Smith, Pink Hill; sire: VAR Reserve 1111; ADG: 5.64 lb.; ADG ratio: 140; WDA: 3.61 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,588 lb.; frame: 6.1; test index: 124

High-WDA Angus—Lot 26; owner: Chimney Top Angus, Steve Johnston, Johnson City, Tenn.; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 4.46 lb.; ADG ratio: 111; WDA: 3.73 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,625 lb.; frame: 6.7; test index: 113

Angus averages (70 head)—ADG: 4.03 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.; wt.: 1,368 lb.

Overall averages (87 head)—ADG: 3.89 lb.; WDA: 3.16 lb.; wt.: 1,342 lb.

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available on the test website, www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/animal/bcip/Ahbcip.html.

Connors State College Fall Bull test

Warner, Okla.

112-day final report (Nov. 12, 2015)
Connors State College, Warner, Okla., has reported final results for the 2015 fall test. The bulls are fed a complete growing-finishing ration designed to allow maximum growth, but not intended to over-finish fast-gaining bulls. The facilities will accommodate 100 bulls. Bulls for the fall test must have been born September-November 2014.

Coarse grass hay was available to the bulls throughout the test. Progress reports were available following the 56-, 84- and 112-day weights. There were new requirements for the test. Only bulls with an official health certificate that confirmed they met all state and federal health requirements, the vaccination protocol was met, and a negative PI test were permitted to unload. Only bulls that weighed 650 lb. or more were eligible for the test. All bulls had to be tested and confirmed BVD PI negative to be eligible, with veterinarian confirmation of vaccination program with specific list of products used

received at least three weeks before delivery.

The official start of the fall test was July 23, 2015. The sale was scheduled for Dec. 3.

High-ADG and high-WDA (tie) Angus—Lot 315; owner: Austin Lee, Vinita, Okla.; sire: Rito 6EM3 of 4L1 Emblazon; ADG: 5.3 lb.; ADG ratio: 128; WDA: 4.1 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,683 lb.; frame: 5.9

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 319; owner: Austin Lee; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 5.2 lb.; ADG ratio: 125; WDA: 4.1 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,687 lb.; frame: 6.9

Angus averages (37 head)—ADG: 4.2 lb.; WDA: 3.5 lb.

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2016 Clemson Bull Test

Clemson, S.C.

84-day report (Nov. 12, 2015)

Seventy-nine bulls were delivered to the 2016 Clemson Bull Test at the Clemson Beef Cattle Farm near Pendleton Aug. 6. Purebred breeders from four states consigned bulls (South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee and Georgia). There were 48 senior Angus bulls and 13 junior Angus bulls on test. Matthew Burns, extension animal scientist and Clemson Bull Test coordinator, says the weather has been cloudy and cooler, but there was finally a little sunshine.

The bulls were weighed on test Aug. 19-20 following a 14-day warm-up period. Off-test weights were to be taken Dec. 10.

High-ADG and high-indexing senior Angus—Lot 75; owner: Paul Boyd Angus, Neil Boyd, Clover, S.C.; sire: SAV Final Answer 0035; ADG: 5.24 lb.; ADG ratio: 137; WDA: 3.17 lb.; WDA ratio: 101; wt.: 1,235 lb.; test index: 8.41

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 4; owner: Black Grove, Dixon Shealy, Newberry, S.C.; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 3.99 lb.; ADG ratio: 104; WDA: 3.58 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,545 lb.; test index: 7.56

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 24; owner: Hi-Son's Farm, Gavin Hammett, Salem, S.C.; sire: Yon Freightliner T77; ADG: 4.50 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.52 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,150 lb.; test index: 8.02

High-WDA and high-indexing junior Angus—Lot 13; owner: Williams Angus, George Williams, Gray, Tenn.; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 3.73 lb.; ADG ratio: 105; WDA: 3.57 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,290 lb.; test index: 7.30

Senior Angus averages (47 head)—ADG: 3.83 lb.; WDA: 3.13 lb.; wt.: 1,293 lb.

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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.

Junior Angus averages (13 head)—ADG: 3.56 lb.; WDA: 3.16 lb.; wt.: 1,115 lb.

Overall averages (78 head)—ADG: 3.42 lb.; WDA: 3.08 lb.; wt.: 1,217 lb.

The sale is scheduled for Feb. 6.

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▣ Calhoun Bull Evaluation

Northwest Georgia Research and Education Center, Calhoun, Ga.

112-day final report (Nov. 9-10, 2015)

The 46th Calhoun Bull Evaluation Program began June 29-30 with the delivery of 179 bulls representing nine breeds. The average on-test weight for the 88 Angus bulls was 845 lb., with overall on-test weights at 866 lb. Eligible bulls were born Sept. 1-Nov. 30, 2014. The sale was scheduled for Dec. 4.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 46; owner: Emilan Angus Farm, Lanny Benson, Lafayette, Ga.; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 5.24 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.50 lb.; WDA ratio: 107; wt.: 1,460 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 70; owner: Taylor Angus, Danny Taylor, Adairsville, Ga.; sire: Taylor Traveler 004 342; ADG: 4.64; ADG ratio: 120; WDA: 4.03; WDA ratio: 123; wt.: 1,390 lb.

Angus averages (84 head)—ADG: 3.88 lb.; WDA: 3.28 lb.; wt.: 1,274 lb.

Overall averages (170 head)—ADG: 3.75 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,287 lb.

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.

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

84-day final report (Nov. 24)

The University of Tennessee Bull Testing Program weighed a total of 104 bulls on test Sept. 1. 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, 2014. There are 93 Angus bulls on test. The sale is scheduled for Jan. 21, 2016.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 1; owner: Alheit Farm, Burns; sire: SAV Momentum 1623; ADG: 5.69 lb.; ADG ratio: 132; WDA: 3.17 lb.;

WDA ratio: 96; wt.: 1,338 lb.; frame: 5.1

High-WDA Angus—Lot 20; owner: Excel Angus, Morristown; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 4.32; ADG ratio: 100; WDA: 3.92; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,490 lb.; frame: 6.1

Angus averages (86 head)—ADG: 4.32 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.

Overall averages (96 head)—WDA: 3.29 lb.

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>.

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

84-day report (Nov. 3, 2015)

A total of 60 bulls, 47 of them Angus, were weighed on test Aug. 11 for the North Carolina Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Waynesville Bull Test with an average on-test weight of 971 lb. The 112-day test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2014.

Nominations were due July 8, with bulls accepted for delivery July 29. Bulls were to be weighed off test Dec. 1.

High-ADG and high-WDA Angus—Lot 33; owner: Overcash Angus, Dennis Overcash,

Mooresville; sire: SydGen CC&7; ADG: 5.40 lb.; ADG ratio: 131; WDA: 3.79 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,360 lb.; frame: 6.8

Angus averages (45 head)—ADG: 4.13 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.; wt.: 1,315 lb.

Overall averages (58 head)—ADG: 4.13 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.; wt.: 1,319 lb.

The test sale will be Jan. 9, 2016, 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.

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

56-day report (Oct. 13-14, 2015)

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 28 with on-test weights taken Aug. 18 and 19. The test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Dec. 31, 2014. 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

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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 Angus—Lot 1327; owner: Williams Angus Farm, Newton, Ala.; sire: EXAR Upward 0564B; ADG: 4.38 lb.; WDA: 3.17 lb.; wt.: 1,170 lb.; test index: 7.55; index ratio: 126; RFI: -0.60

High-WDA and high-indexing Angus—Lot 1427; owner: John Moon Angus, Tallassee, Ala.; sire: Nichols Quiet Lad T9; ADG: 4.33 lb.; WDA: 3.48 lb.; wt.: 1,310 lb.; test index: 7.81; index ratio: 130; RFI: 1.10

Best efficiency Angus—Lot 1412; owner: Cunningham Farm; sire: SydGen Wake Up Call 9446; ADG: 3.39 lb.; WDA: 3.14 lb.; wt.: 1,155 lb.; test index: 6.53; index ratio: 109; RFI: -6.08

Overall averages (136 head)—ADG: 3.15 lb.; WDA: 2.85 lb.; wt.: 1,057 lb.

84-day report (Nov. 11)

High-ADG and high-indexing (tie) Angus—Lot 1418; owner: Windy Hill Farm, Jack Tate, Boaz, Ala.; sire: SAV 707 Rito 9969; ADG: 3.98 lb.; WDA: 3.05 lb.; wt.: 1,335 lb.; test index: 7.02; index ratio: 117

High-indexing (tie) Angus—Lot 1424;

owner: Windy Hill Farm; sire: SydGen CC&7; ADG: 3.81 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,295 lb.; test index: 7.05; index ratio: 117

High-WDA Angus—Lot 1427; owner: John Moon Angus; sire: Nichols Quiet Lad T9; ADG: 3.40 lb.; WDA: 3.35 lb.; wt.: 1,350 lb.; test index: 6.75; index ratio: 112

Overall averages (136 head)—ADG: 3.14 lb.; WDA: 2.87 lb.; wt.: 1,141 lb.

Final weights were to be taken Dec. 8-9, and the test sale is scheduled for Jan. 16.

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/fl_bull_test/index.shtml.

▶ OPSU Bull Performance Test Goodwell, Okla.

28-day report (Nov. 7, 2015)

The bulls consigned to the 64th annual Oklahoma Panhandle State University (OPSU) Bull Performance Test were weighed on test Oct. 11. The bulls on test have a 28-day overall average daily gain (ADG) of 4.70 lb. and a WDA of 2.81 lb. The next weigh day was scheduled for Dec. 5, 2015.

The top pen of bulls in the junior division had an average ADG of 6.15 lb. with a WDA of 3.08 lb. and are consigned by Wink Farms, Panhandle, Texas. The top junior bull with an ADG of 7.29 lb. is in this pen. Owned by Wink Farms, the bull is sired by GAR Composure.

The top pen of senior bulls had an average

ADG of 5.89 lb. and is consigned by Gerald Fish of Harrah, Okla. This pen also has the top-gaining senior bull with an ADG of 6.64 lb. consigned by William (Bill) Gilmore, Canyon, Texas. The bull is sired by JAF 314 Final Answer.

The test is a 112-day test, during which ADG, feed intake and efficiency on a pen basis, and WDA will be collected on the bulls. Other data collected will be frame score, scrotal circumference, semen quality, fat thickness, ribeye area and marbling score.

OPSU students working on the test include Brady Ewton, Whitesboro, Texas; Chris Johnson, Woodward, Okla.; Nathan Johnson, Longmont, Colo.; Justin Lenox, Eads, Colo.; and Sidney Tigler, Peru, Ind. Hannah Hammack and J.T. Surrage, both from Colorado, have volunteered to work on weigh days.

The top bulls will sell Feb. 22. Those interested in following the performance of the bulls during the test can contact Gwen Martin at 580-349-1500 or at gwen@opsu.edu.

▶ Tifton Bull Evaluation Program Tifton Bull Evaluation Center, Tifton, Ga. 28-day report (Nov. 17)

The 58th Tifton Bull Evaluation Program began Sept. 28 and 29, 2015, with the delivery of 190 bulls representing nine different breeds and averaging 787 lb. The 112-day test features bulls born Dec. 1, 2014-Feb. 28, 2015. All bulls tested negative for persistent infection with bovine viral diarrhea (PI-BVD).

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Going on test Oct. 20, the 88 Angus bulls averaged 884 lb. for a WDA of 3.07 lb., while all 190 bulls averaged 880 lb. with a WDA of 3.09 lb. Interim weights were to be collected Dec. 15, 2015, and Jan. 12, 2016, and final weights are scheduled for collection Feb. 8-9. Qualifying bulls may sell in the test sale March 2.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 73; owner: Meldon Farm, Melvin Porter, Jefferson, Ga.; sire: Connealy In Focus 4925; ADG: 6.29 lb.; ADG ratio: 181; WDA: 2.97 lb.; WDA ratio: 96; wt.: 906 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 131; owner: Griffith Angus Farm, Winston Griffith, Tallahassee, Fla.; sire: HARB Pendleton 765 J H; ADG: 4.64 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.88 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,320 lb.

Angus averages (88 head)—ADG: 3.48 lb.; WDA: 3.10 lb.; wt.: 981 lb.

Overall averages (190 head)—ADG: 3.77 lb.; WDA: 3.15 lb.; wt.: 985 lb.

Visitors are welcome at the station 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, contact Jacob Segers, extension animal scientist, at 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 accessed through the test website at www.caes.uga.edu/commodities/animals/beef/index.html.

▣ WIU Bull Test Macomb, Ill.

28-day report (Nov. 17, 2015)

The Western Illinois University (WIU) Bull Testing Program weighed 73 bulls, 28 of them Angus, on test Oct. 20-21, 2015. Bulls entered in the 112-day test must have been born Jan. 1-March 31, 2015, and must have been entered by Sept. 8. Bulls were delivered Sept. 29-30.

Bulls will be indexed by breed group (if there are more than four of a breed), as well as against all bulls on test. Both indexes are based on 70% ADG ratio + 15% marbling ratio + 15% REA ratio.

Interim weights were scheduled for Dec. 15 and Jan. 12, 2016. The test will conclude Feb. 9-10 with the 44th annual test sale March 11 in Macomb, Ill.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 411; owner: Neubauer Farms, Matthew Drury, Shirley, Ill.; sire: Soo Line Motive 9016; ADG: 4.8 lb.; wt.: 844 lb.

For more information contact Samantha Cunningham, assistant professor; Knoblauch Hall B12, Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL 61455; Cunningham phone: 309-298-1288 (office); s-cunningham@wiu.edu; www.wiu.edu/ag.

▣ MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich. 28-day report (Nov. 20)

The Michigan Cattlemen's Association

(MCA) and Michigan State University (MSU) have 110 bulls on test in the 2015-2016 MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program.

Consignors must be paid members of the MCA and have their 2016 dues paid in advance. To be eligible for the test, bulls must have been born Sept. 1, 2014-March 31, 2015.

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, 2015, with a delivery date of Oct. 9-10. Interim reports are scheduled for Dec. 18 and Jan. 15, 2016. Final weights will be taken Feb. 11, with the sale scheduled for March 19.

High-ADG junior Angus (tie)—Lot 30; owner: Dawson Farms, Concord, Mich.; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 3.67 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,120 lb.

High-ADG (tie) and high-WDA junior Angus—Lot 32; owner: Dawson Farms; sire: SAV Resource 1441; ADG: 5.0 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 3.92 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,160 lb.

High-ADG and high-WDA senior Angus—Lot 24; owner: Voogt Farms, Marne, Mich.; sire: Lone Star Advantage E753; ADG: 6.43 lb.; ADG ratio: 178; WDA: 3.57 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,205 lb.

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Overall averages (108 head)—ADG: 3.70 lb.; WDA: 3.12 lb.; wt.: 957 lb.

For more information contact Dan Buskirk, extension beef specialist; 474 Shaw Ln., Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824; 517-432-0400; Brian Plank, manager, 325 Mount Hope Rd., Crystal, MI 48818; cell: 989-506-2061; Michigan Cattlemen's Ass'n, 2145 University Park Dr., Ste. 300, Okemos, MI 48864; phone: 517-347-8117; <http://MIBulls.com>.

▶ IBEP Winter Test

Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind.

On-test report (Nov. 17, 2015)

A total of 219 bulls and 20 get-of-sire groups were delivered Oct. 27 for the 2015 Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Winter Test. Angus, Hereford, Red Angus, SimAngus, Simmental, Gelbvieh, Lim-Flex and Charolais are represented.

Interim weigh dates were scheduled for Dec. 15, 2015; Jan. 19, 2016; and Feb. 16. The bulls will be weighed off test March 21. There are 164 Angus bulls in the test.

Bulls will sell April 14 in the 74th IBEP Bull Sale and Springville Feeder Auction Association Bred Heifer Sale.

For more information contact Terry Stewart at tstewart@purdue.edu or 765-494-0138;

fax: 765-494-9346; Brad Shelton, test station manager, at 812-279-8554 or sheltonb@purdue.edu; or Donna Lofgren, performance records and website, at dlofgren@purdue.edu. Information is available on the website at www.ansc.purdue.edu/ibep.

▶ ICA Bull Evaluation Program Guthrie Center and Cedar Rapids, Iowa Delivery and on-test reports (Oct. 12 and Nov. 9, 2015)

Bulls were delivered to the Bloomfield and Dunlap test stations for the Iowa Cattlemen's Association (ICA) 2016 Bull Evaluation Program, with spring-born bulls at the test station at the Van Meter Feedyard in Guthrie Center, Iowa. The Bloomfield test has 37 Angus bulls and the Dunlap test has 13 Angus spring-born bulls. There were 61 spring-born Angus bulls delivered for the Tama test at the Van Meter Feedyard.

The bulls were to complete a 21-day warm-up period following their respective delivery dates. Bulls are to be weighed twice going on test. The first two weights will be averaged and will mark the start of the 112-day test. The top three-quarters of each breed meeting test requirements will be offered for sale.

Both spring and fall Bloomfield bulls will be sold March 21, 2016, at the Bloomfield Livestock Auction Market. Spring bulls will be sold at the Dunlap Livestock Auction Market April 1. The Tama bulls will be sold May 6, 2016.

For more information contact Matt Deppe, seedstock manager, at matt@iabeef.org, Iowa Cattlemen's Ass'n, PO Box 1490, Ames, IA 50014; ICA phone: 515-296-2266, fax: 515-296-2261; Matt's cell: 515-468-7785; www.iacattlemen.org.

▶ Kansas Angus Ass'n Bull Test Wamego, Kan.

On-test report (Nov. 4, 2015)

There were 232 bulls, 84 of them Angus, delivered to Kansas Bull Development LLC, Wamego, Oct. 23-24 for the Kansas Angus Association Bull Test. Nominations were due Oct. 5, 2015. The test will be conducted and managed at Kansas Bull Development LLC by Brian Hagedorn.

To be eligible for the 112-day test, bulls must have been born Jan. 1-April 15, 2015. Mid-test weights were to be collected Dec. 30, 2015. Final weights are to be taken Feb. 23 and 25, 2016. The test sale will take place April 6 at the Mitchell County Fairgrounds, Beloit, Kan.

For more information contact Hagedorn at 785-458-2137 (cell); 785-456-2636 (home, Brian and Megan); feedlot fax: 785-456-2721; email: kansasbulls@gmail.com; or visit the website at www.kansasbulltest.com.

▶ Nebraska Bull Test Rohde Farms, Mason City, Neb.

On-test report (Oct. 16, 2015)

The Nebraska Bull Test reported that 23

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consignors delivered 117 Angus bulls, including 56 calving-ease bulls, that were weighed on test Oct. 16 for the start of the 2015-2016 test. Delivery of bulls was accepted Oct. 5 for the 120-day test, conducted at Rohde Farms, Mason City, Neb.

Interim weights were to be taken Dec. 15, 2015, and Jan. 14, 2016, with final weights scheduled for Feb. 12 and 13.

The test sale will be March 25 at Central Nebraska Commission Co., Broken Bow, Neb.

For more information contact Mick Phillips, test manager, at 308-764-2378 or Shane Rohde at 308-212-0157.

▶ UBIA Bull Test

Kenison Feedlot, Levan, Utah

On-test report (Oct. 20, 2015)

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) received a total of 265 junior and senior bulls Oct. 5 at Kenison Farm and Feedlot, Levan. Bulls entered in the senior test must have been born Sept. 1-Dec. 31, 2014. Bulls entered in the junior test must have been born Jan. 1-March 15, 2015. There are 159 junior Angus bulls averaging 740 lb. on test. There are 20 senior bulls averaging 890 lb. on test. Interim weights were scheduled for Dec. 14, 2015, and Jan. 11, 2016. Bulls will be weighed off test Feb. 8-9.

The test sale is scheduled for March 19.

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.

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

On-test report (Oct. 27, 2015)

The junior and senior tests at the Southwest Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement Association (BCIA) Bull Test will be conducted simultaneously. Senior bulls must have been born Sept. 1-Dec. 31, 2014. Junior bulls must have been born Jan. 1-March 31, 2015. Entries for both divisions were due Sept. 5. Delivery was accepted Oct. 6 at Hillwinds Farm. A total of 94 senior bulls and 132 junior bulls went on test Oct. 27.

The senior Angus bulls began the test with an average weight of 1,061 lb. and an average WDA of 2.81 lb. The junior Angus bulls weighed on test with an average weight of 735 lb. and an average WDA of 2.82 lb.

Interim weights were scheduled for collection Dec. 12, 2015, and Jan. 19, 2016.

The bulls will be weighed off test with an average of weights collected Feb. 15 and 16. The test sale will be at the farm March 26.

For more information contact Scott Greiner, extension beef specialist, 366 Litton-Reaves Hall, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA 24061; phone: 540-231-9159; fax: 540-231-3010; Joi Saville, extension associate, phone: 540-231-2257; Tim Sutphin, owner/manager, Hillwinds Farm, 5660 Thornsprng Church Rd., Dublin, VA 24084; 540-980-5848; or visit the test website at <http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu>.

▶ Manitoba Beef Cattle Performance Ass'n Douglas Bull Test Station, Carberry, Man.

On-test report (Nov. 3, 2015)

The 52nd Manitoba Beef Cattle Performance Association Bull & Heifer Development Test accepted delivery Oct. 5-9, 2015, at the Douglas Bull Test Station in Carberry, Man., Canada. Consignors must be members of the Manitoba Beef Cattle Association, and bulls must have been born April 1-June 30, 2015, to be eligible for the 112-day test.

A total of 149 bulls were weighed on test Nov. 14, including six Blonde D'Aquitaine, 19 Limousin, nine Salers, 54 Angus*, 39 Simmental, six Maine Anjou and 16 Shorthorn. The average on-test WDA for the Angus bulls was 3.40 lb.

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Interim weights were to be taken Dec. 28, 2015, and Jan. 25, 2016. The bulls will be weighed off test Feb. 22-23, with the sale scheduled for April 2.

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**Editor's Note: Both red and black Angus are tested as Angus in Canada.*

▶ WCA All-Breed Bull Test Eltopia, Wash.

On-test report (Nov. 3, 2015)

The 23rd annual Washington Cattlemen's Association (WCA) All-Breed Bull Test began Nov. 3 with the initial weigh-in of 138 bulls consisting of 71 Angus, 37 Hereford, 11 Red Angus, 10 Angus composites, and nine Simmental consigned by 49 breeders. The bulls will be fed under the supervision of Bob and Nina Lundgren at their Bonina Feed Facility at Eltopia.

The 120-day test will end Feb. 28-29, 2016. At that time breeding soundness exams, semen tests and ultrasound data will be compiled prior to the sale, scheduled for March 23. Genetic profile enhancement through DNA samples will be used on many of the bulls selling.

The bulls can be viewed at any time at the Bonina facility. Interim reports and sale information are available by contacting the WCA office at 509-925-9871, at wacattle@kvalley.com; on the WCA website at www.washingtoncattlemen.org; or via sale

manager Kendall Cattle Sales at 208-858-2163, kendall@potlatch.com.

▶ Un. of Tennessee Junior Bull Test Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn.

On-test report (Nov. 10, 2015)

The University of Tennessee Bull Testing Program weighed 49 bulls on test, 48 of them Angus. The 84-day test is at the Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn.

The junior bulls must be born Dec. 1, 2014-Feb. 28, 2015. The nomination deadline for junior bulls was Sept. 29, 2015, with delivery Oct. 27.

Interim weights were scheduled for Dec. 8, 2015, and Jan. 5, 2016. Bulls are to be weighed off test Feb. 1-2, with the sale scheduled March 10.

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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/ExtBull/Forms/AllItems.aspx>.

▣ **Southern West Virginia Bull Test
Point Pleasant, W.Va.**

On-test report (Nov. 12, 2015)

The 2016 Southern West Virginia Bull Test accepted delivery of 94 bulls Oct. 12, 2015. The bulls went on test Nov. 12, 2015, with Angus bulls averaging 870 lb. Interim weights were scheduled for Dec. 9, 2015, and Jan. 6, 2016. Off-test weights for the 100-day test were to be taken Feb. 8-9.

The Point Pleasant Test utilizes a forage-based ration. Bulls are fed to achieve a target ADG of approximately 3.25 lb. The program stresses a total performance approach, not

only measuring gain on test, but also reporting indicators of reproductive and carcass performance. Consignors are required to be active participants in the herd improvement program of their respective breeds.

The test sale is scheduled for March 26.

For more information contact Kevin Shaffer, program coordinator, Kevin.Shaffer@mail.wvu.edu; West Virginia University Extension Service, 2084 Agriculture Science Bldg., PO Box 6108, Morgantown, WV 26506; phone: 304-293-2669; or visit the test website at <http://southernsires.ext.wvu.edu>.

▣ **Wardensville Bull Test**

West Virginia University Reymann Memorial Farm, Wardensville, W.Va.

On-test report (Nov. 24, 2015)

The West Virginia Young Sire Evaluation Program, sponsored by the West Virginia University (WVU) Cooperative Extension, the WVU Division of Animal and Nutritional

Sciences, the West Virginia Department of Agriculture and the West Virginia Cattlemen's Association received delivery of 143 bulls, 127 of them Angus, Oct. 28, 2015, for the Wardensville Bull Test.

A maximum of 160 bulls were to be accepted for evaluation. To be eligible, bulls must have been born Jan. 20-March 26, 2015. The enrollment deadline was Sept. 18. Interim weights were scheduled for Dec. 18, 2015, and Jan. 20, 2016.

The bulls are being fed a ration ($NE_m=0.68$, $NE_g=0.41$) that includes 20% ground mixed hay, 24% wheat midds, 23% soybean hulls, 8% distillers' grains, 4% cottonseed hulls, 4% corn, 10% hominy feed, and 7% miscellaneous ingredients.

The test sale is scheduled for March 24 at the WVU Reymann Memorial Farm at Wardensville.

Test information is available from Kevin

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▶ **WBIA Bull Test** **University of Wisconsin, Platteville, Wis.** **Delivery report (Nov. 3, 2015)**

The Wisconsin Beef Improvement Association (WBIA) has conducted and

overseen a central performance bull test each year since 1957. Young beef bulls from all over Wisconsin and the Midwest have been delivered to the University of Wisconsin-Platteville farm to develop a performance proof in an unbiased environment designed to let the cream rise to the top. More than 5,000 bulls from more than 250 consignors have been tested.

A total of 105 bulls, 71 of them Angus, were delivered Nov. 2, 2015, for the 2015 WBIA Bull Test to go on test Nov. 30 and Dec. 2, 2015. The 100-day test is for bulls born Jan. 1-April 15, 2015.

Bulls are fed a soy- or oat-hull-based ration adjusted with locally available ingredients in a ration designed to promote lean efficient

growth while providing adequate energy to allow individuals to express their genetic potential. At the test's conclusion, bulls are ultrasound scanned for carcass traits and evaluated for breeding soundness.

Interim weights were to be taken Jan. 5 and Feb. 4, 2016. Off-test weights are scheduled for March 9-10, with the sale April 2.

More information is available by contacting John Freitag, Wisconsin BIA executive director, PO Box 955, New Glarus, WI 53574; phone: 608-527-5747; fax: 608-527-3010; or at wbia@tds.net. Information is also available on the WBIA website at <http://wisconsinbeef.com/home.html>.

