



Performance Report

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

Green Springs Spring Bull Test Nevada, Mo.

112-day final report (Oct. 17, 2016)

The Green Springs Spring Bull Test at Nevada, Mo., weighed bulls off test Oct. 17, 2016. The test is a 112-day performance test with bulls grouped by breed and size as much as possible, offering an optimum growth environment. Bulls must be weaned and vaccinated. The spring test is for bulls born Aug. 1-Oct. 31, 2015.

Bulls were fed for a 14-day warm-up period before the official test began. Bulls were fed a high-quality ration formulated by a qualified nutritionist and adequate for a targeted ADG of 3.5 lb.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 16198; owner: Maas Angus Farms, Quincy, Ill.; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 132; WDA: 3.29 lb.; WDA ratio: 106; RFI: 0.42; RFI ratio: 98; wt.: 1,465 lb.; test index: 99; SC: 36.5 cm

High-WDA Angus—Lot 16222; owner: Jeff Liston, Lovilia, Iowa; sire: High Prime 4037; ADG: 4.55 lb.; ADG ratio: 120; WDA: 3.75 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; RFI: -1.92; RFI ratio: 106; wt.: 1,215 lb.; test index: 97; SC: 34.5 cm

Best RFI Angus—Lot 16196; owner: Dr. &

Mrs. Norman Garton, Nevada, Mo.; sire: Plattemere Weigh Up K360; ADG: 3.72 lb.; ADG ratio: 98; WDA: 3.59 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; RFI: -4.65; RFI ratio: 114; wt.: 1,465 lb.; test index: 94; SC: 38.5 cm

Angus averages (66 head)—ADG: 3.79 lb.; WDA: 3.12 lb.

The test sale took place Nov. 21.

For more information contact Kent Abele, owner, at 417-465-2240 or 417-448-7416; email him at gbsulltest@gmail.com, or visit the test website at www.greenspringsbulltest.com.

Calhoun Bull Evaluation Northwest Georgia Research and Education Center, Calhoun, Ga.

112-day final report (Nov. 8, 2016)

The 47th Calhoun Bull Evaluation Program began June 27-28, 2016, 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.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 96; owner: Double T, Tim and Tandy West, Centre, Ala.; sire: Connealy Comrade 1385; ADG: 5.13 lb.; ADG

ratio: 132; WDA: 3.53 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; wt.: 1,438 lb.; SC: 36.0 cm

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 44; owner: Williams Angus Farm, Gene and Michael Williams, Calhoun, Ga.; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage OA36; ADG: 4.34 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 3.97 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,380 lb.; SC: 40.0 cm

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 85; owner: Sheppard Farms, Lindy Sheppard, Sylvania, Ga.; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 4.97 lb.; ADG ratio: 128; WDA: 3.97 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,640 lb.; SC: 31.0 cm

Angus averages (82 head)—ADG: 3.89 lb.; WDA: 3.42 lb.; wt.: 1,342 lb.

Overall averages (147 head)—ADG: 3.85 lb.; WDA: 3.35 lb.; wt.: 1,318 lb.

The sale was Dec. 2.

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North Alabama BCIA Bull Evaluation Cullman, Ala.

84-day final report (Nov. 1, 2016)

The North Alabama Bull Evaluation Center located at Donaldson Farm near Cullman accepted bulls for the 84-day test in July 2016. Bulls were weighed on test in August, with interim weights taken in September and October. The bulls are fed a ration recommended by the Alabama Cooperative Extension that is fed in self-feeders. Bulls are provided free-choice access to hay, as well.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 32; owner: Triple S Cattle Co., Southside, Ala.; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 4.99 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; wt.: 1,294 lb.; SC: 40.5 cm

Angus averages (37 head)—ADG: 3.92 lb.; wt.: 1,313 lb.

Overall averages (74 head)—ADG: 3.60 lb.; wt.: 1,315 lb.

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

84-day report (Oct. 18, 2016)

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The North Carolina Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) Butner Bull Test reported 94 bulls were weighed on test Aug. 8-9. The 112-day test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 15, 2015, and has 70 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: Eugene Shuffler, Shuffler Farm, 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.

112-day final report (Nov. 15)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 3; owner: Oakview Angus, Bobby Aldridge, Yanceyville; ADG: 5.21 lb.; ADG ratio: 136; WDA: 3.65 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,558 lb.; frame: 6.5; test index: 122

High-WDA and high-indexing Angus—Lot 62; owner: Shuffler Farm, Eugene Shuffler; sire: Jindra Double Vision; ADG: 5.10 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.87 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,648 lb.; frame: 6.8; test index: 126

Angus averages (70 head)—ADG: 3.85 lb.; WDA: 3.11 lb.; wt.: 1,302 lb.

Overall averages (94 head)—ADG: 3.76 lb.; WDA: 3.09 lb.; wt.: 1,290 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for Dec. 16 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.

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

84-day report (Nov. 1, 2016)

A total of 57 bulls, 39 of them Angus, were weighed on test Aug. 8-9 for the North Carolina BCIP Waynesville Bull Test. 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.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 2; owner: Edie Bradley, Hiawessee, Ga.; sire: Deer Valley All In; ADG: 5.70 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.35 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; wt.: 1,375 lb.; frame: 5.9

High-WDA Angus—Lot 18; owner: Steve Johnston, Chimney Top Angus, Johnson City, Tenn.; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 4.44 lb.; ADG ratio: 101; WDA: 3.61 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,470 lb.; frame: 6.7

Angus averages (39 head)—ADG: 4.38 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,261 lb.

Overall averages (57 head)—ADG: 4.31 lb.; WDA: 3.23 lb.; wt.: 1,262 lb.

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.

112-day final report (Nov. 29)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 2; owner: Eddy Bradley; sire: Deer Valley All In; ADG: 5.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 131; WDA: 3.42 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; wt.: 1,500 lb.; frame: 6.1; SC: 34 cm; test index: 113

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 24; owner: Overcash Angus, Dennis Overcash, Mooresville, N.C.; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 4.74 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 3.57 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,505 lb.; frame: 6.6; SC: 35 cm; test index 114

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 18; owner: Chimney Top Angus, Steve Johnson; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 4.07 lb.; ADG ratio: 99; WDA: 3.57 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,553 lb.; frame: 6.7; SC: 41 cm; test index 113

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 16; owner: H&H Farm, Buddy Hamrick, Boiling Springs, N.C.; sire: PA Power Tool 9108; ADG: 3.66 lb.; ADG ratio: 89; WDA: 3.57 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,400 lb.; frame: 6.2; SC: 38 cm; test index 107

High-indexing Angus—Lot 44; owner: Williams Angus, George Williams, Gray, Tenn.; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 5.19 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.33 lb.; WDA ratio: 102; wt.: 1,513 lb.; frame: 6.7; SC: 40 cm; test index 115

Angus averages (39 head)—ADG: 4.13 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,356 lb.

Overall averages (57 head)—ADG: 4.05 lb.; WDA: 3.23 lb.; wt.: 1,353 lb.

The test sale will be Jan. 7, 2017, 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. 11)

The North Florida Research and Education Center (NFREC) Bull Test in Marianna, Fla., accepted bulls July 26 with on-test weights taken Aug. 16-17. The test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Dec. 31, 2015.

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 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.

84-day report (Nov. 9)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 1534; owner: Triple D Angus, Farm, Whigham, Ga.; sire: Rito 005 of Rita 5F56 OBJ; ADG: 3.74 lb.; WDA: 2.85 lb.; wt.: 1,095 lb.; test index: 108

High-WDA and high-indexing Angus—Lot 1551; owner: Hubert Hightower; ADG: 3.57 lb.; WDA: 3.62 lb.; wt.: 1,420 lb.; test index: 118

Overall averages—ADG: 3.18 lb.; WDA: 2.95 lb.; wt.: 1,174 lb.

Final weights were to be taken Dec. 6-7. 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/fl_bull_test/index.shtml.

▶ 2017 Clemson Bull Test Clemson, S.C.

56-day report (Oct. 18, 2016)

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. Interim weights were scheduled for Nov. 15.

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

High-WDA 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.

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84-day report (Nov. 15, 2016)

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 44; owner: Lindy Sheppard; sire: GAR Highroller 5281; ADG: 5.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.82 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,585 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 46; owner: Lindy Sheppard; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 5.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.93 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,670 lb.

High-ADG and high-WDA junior Angus—Lot 78; owner: Chimney Top Angus; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 5.27 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 3.89 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,470 lb.

Senior Angus averages (25 head)—ADG: 4.43 lb.; WDA: 3.30 lb.; wt.: 1,362 lb.

Junior Angus averages (17 head)—ADG: 4.25 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,154 lb.

Off-test weights were to be taken Dec. 13. The sale is scheduled for Feb. 7, 2017.

For additional information contact Meadows at smdws@clermson.edu or at 864-633-9970 (cell) or Gary Burns, Clemson Bull Test manager at gburns@clermson.edu or at 864-617-3402 (cell). Information is also available on the test website at <http://www.clemson.edu/extension/bulltest/>.

UBIA Bull Test

Kenison Feedlot, Levan, Utah On-test report (Oct. 18, 2016)

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) received junior and senior bulls at Kenison Farm and 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. Interim weights are scheduled for Dec. 13, 2016, and Jan. 10, 2017. Bulls will be weighed off test Feb. 6 & 8.

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.

The test sale is scheduled for March 18.

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. 25, 2016)

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, 2015. Junior bulls must have been born Jan. 1-March 31, 2016. Entries for both divisions were due Sept. 5. Delivery was accepted Oct. 4 at Hillwinds Farm. A total of 97 senior bulls

Calhoun Bull Evaluation high-indexing bull

Lindy Sheppard, Sheppard Farms, Sylva, Ga., consigned the high-indexing Angus bull to the 2016 Calhoun Bull Evaluation Performance Test and Sale Dec. 2 in Calhoun, Ga. LSF Ready For Duty 902 564 is a September 2015 son of RB Tour Of Duty 177. He posted an ADG of 4.97 lb., with an adjusted yearling weight of 1,450 lb. Pictured are (from left) Rucker McDonald, Red Carpet Cattlemen's Ass'n; Gary Hill, Georgia bull test advisory committee member; Lindy Sheppard, consignor; and Will Bentley, Georgia Cattlemen's Association executive vice president.



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and 128 junior bulls went on test Oct. 25.

The senior Angus bulls began the test with an average weight of 1,040 lb. and an average WDA of 2.70 lb. The junior Angus bulls weighed on test with an average weight of 735 lb. and an average WDA of 2.86 lb.

Interim weights are scheduled for collection Dec. 20, 2016, and Jan. 17, 2017. The bulls will be weighed off test with an average of weights collected Feb. 13 and 14. The test sale will be at the farm March 25.

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 Thornspring Church Rd., Dublin, VA 24084; 540-980-5848; or visit the test website at <http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu>.

Manitoba Beef Cattle Performance Association

Douglas Bull Test Station, Carberry, Man. On-test report (Nov. 8, 2016)

The 53rd Manitoba Beef Cattle Performance Association Bull & Heifer Development Test accepted delivery Oct. 11-14, 2016, 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 Jan. 1-April 30, 2016, to be eligible for the 112-day test.

A total of 140 bulls were weighed on test Nov. 7-8, with Blonde D'Aquitaine, Limousin, Salers, Angus*, Simmental, Maine Anjou and Shorthorn breeds represented. The average on-test WDA for the Angus bulls was 3.04 lb. Overall on-test WDA was 3.02 lb.

Interim weights were to be taken Jan. 3 and Jan. 31, 2017. The bulls will be weighed off test Feb. 27-28, with the sale scheduled for April 1.

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.co.

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

Tifton HERD Program

Reports 1 (Oct. 25) & 2 (Nov. 9, 2016)

The 18th HERD program at the Tifton Bull Evaluation Center in Irwinville has released its second report. The center received 197 heifers Oct. 3 to go on test Oct. 25. Drought and dusty conditions gave rise to some incidence of pinkeye; however, overall health was good as heifers entered the program, reported Jacob Segers, extension animal scientist. All heifers tested negative for persistent infection with bovine viral diarrhoea (PI BVD).

The heifers were worked November 9 to begin a synchronization and breeding program including the use of CIDRs®, GnRH and Lutalyse.

Lee Jones, UGA College of Veterinary Medicine evaluated reproductive tract maturity and took pelvic area measurements. Two heifers had a maturity score less than 2 and a pelvic measurement of less than 140 square centimeters (sq. cm), seven heifers had actual pelvic measurements of less than 140 sq. cm, and three heifers were found to already be pregnant. One heifer had a deformed reproductive tract. These heifers are no longer sale eligible and will not appear on the report.

CIDRs were inserted Nov. 9 and removed Nov. 23. Lutalyse was to be injected Dec. 9, and all heifers were to be bred Dec. 12 with GnRH injected at breeding. The HERD team made the decision to use MCR Horizon 081 as the primary sire and SS Niagara Z29 for those heifers closely related to Horizon. Cleanup bulls were to be placed with the heifers Dec. 20.

The center is open for visitors on weekdays between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. You are welcome to visit the station during these hours. If you wish to visit on weekends, please call Mike Keeler at 229-831-5416.

For more information visit www.ugabeef.com.

Virginia BCIA Culpeper Sr. Bull Test Blacksburg, Va.

112-day final report (Nov. 1, 2016)

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

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test is a 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2015.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 63; owner: Gundzik Angus, John Gundzik, Manchester, Md.; sire: Connealy Consensus 7229; ADG: 4.69 lb.; ADG ratio: 128; WDA: 3.30 lb.; WDA ratio: 106; wt.: 1,385 lb.; station index: 117; frame: 5.8; SC: 36.0 cm

High-WDA Angus—Lot 2; owner: Monomoy Farm, John Pennington, Warrenton; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 4.07 lb.; ADG ratio: 111; WDA: 3.67 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,530 lb.; station index: 114; frame: 6.1; SC: 36.0 cm

High-indexing Angus—Lot 35; owner: Lucas Farm, Joe and Timmy Lucas, Blacksburg; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 4.65 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.57 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,450 lb.; station index: 118; frame: 6.2; SC: 39.0 cm

Angus averages (71 head)—ADG: 3.66 lb.; WDA: 3.10 lb.; wt.: 1,264 lb.

Overall averages (82 head)—ADG: 3.65 lb.; WDA: 3.11 lb.; wt.: 1,264 lb.

The test sale was 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, <http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu>.

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

84-day final report (Nov. 22)

The University of Tennessee Bull Testing Program accepted delivery of bulls for the senior bull test Aug. 16, 2016, and weighed a total of 109 bulls on test Aug. 30-31. The 84-day test was conducted at the Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn. Senior bulls were born Sept. 1-Nov. 30, 2015. There were 100 Angus bulls on test.

High-ADG (tie) Angus—Lot 11; owner: Diamond M Farms, Moss; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 5.65 lb.; ADG ratio: 132; WDA: 3.59 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,562 lb.; frame: 6.1; SC: 39.6 cm

High-ADG (tie) Angus—Lot 84; owner: Plateau Farms, Cookeville; sire: Jindra Double Vision; ADG: 5.65 lb.; ADG ratio: 132; WDA: 3.61 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,572 lb.; frame: 6.7; SC: 38.0 cm

High-WDA Angus—Lot 7; owner: Chimney Top Angus, Johnson City; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 4.94 lb.; ADG ratio: 116; WDA: 3.73 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,665 lb.; frame: 5.5; SC: 37.2 cm

Angus averages (96 head)—ADG: 4.27 lb.; WDA: 3.26 lb.

Overall averages (105 head)—ADG: 4.26 lb.; WDA: 3.27 lb.

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

▶ OPSU Beef Bull Performance Test Goodwell, Okla.

28-day report (Nov. 5)

The 99 beef bulls consigned to the 65th annual Oklahoma Panhandle State University (OPSU) Beef Bull Performance Test were weighed on test Oct. 8, 2016. Consigned by 19 breeders, breeds represented were Angus, Maine-Anjou, Lim-Flex, Hereford and Polled Hereford.

In addition to the bull test ration, which is fed twice daily, the bulls have access to a grass hay *ad libitum*.

High-ADG junior Angus—Owner: R.J. Hollon, Woodward; sire: GAR 9M25 Rito 6082; ADG: 5.36 lb.; ADG:WDA ratio: 140

High-ADG senior Angus—Owner: B&M Angus, Edmond; sire: B&M Upshot 304; ADG: 6.93 lb.

Top junior Angus pen—Owner: R.J. Hollon; avg. ADG: 4.88 lb.; avg. WDA: 3.25 lb.

Top senior Angus pen—Owner: B&M Angus; ADG: 5.51 lb.

Overall averages (99 head)—ADG: 3.33 lb.; WDA: 2.94 lb.

The next interim weigh day was scheduled for Dec. 3, 2016, with the 112-day test ending Jan. 28, 2017.

The sale is scheduled for Feb. 27, 2017, in the England Activity Building, University Farm, Goodwell, Okla. Those interested in following the performance of the bulls during the test can contact Gwen Martin at 580-349-1500 or gwen@opsu.edu.

▶ Tifton Bull Evaluation Program Tifton Bull Evaluation Center, Tifton, Ga.

28-day report (Nov. 15, 2016)

The 59th Tifton Bull Evaluation Program began Sept. 26 and 27, 2016, with the delivery of 157 bulls representing eight different breeds and averaging 838 lb. As a group, the bulls have performed well in the first test period, says Jacob Segers, extension animal scientist.

The 112-day test features bulls born Dec. 1, 2015-Feb. 28, 2016. All bulls tested negative for 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. Interim weights were to be collected Dec. 13, 2016, and Jan. 10, 2017, with final weights scheduled for collection Feb. 6-7.

High-ADG (tie) Angus—Lot 126; owner: Gretsches Bros. Angus, Fred and Ann Gretsches, Lexington, Ga.; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36; ADG: 7.04 lb.; ADG ratio: 150; WDA: 3.26 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; wt.: 1,040 lb.

High-ADG (tie) Angus—Lot 107; owner: Lemmon Cattle Enterprises, Harvey Lemmon,

Woodbury, Ga.; sire: Rito 9Q20 of Rita 5F56 GHM; ADG: 7.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 150; WDA: 3.35 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,060 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 125; owner: Gretsches Bros. Angus; sire: Williams Incentive 200; ADG: 4.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 94; WDA: 3.89 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,065 lb.

Angus averages (83 head)—ADG: 4.68 lb.; WDA: 3.11 lb.; wt.: 952 lb.

Overall averages (157 head)—ADG: 4.70 lb.; WDA: 3.14 lb.; wt.: 970 lb.

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. 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 <http://blog.extension.uga.edu/beef/programs/>.

▶ WIU Bull Test Macomb, Ill.

28-day report (Nov. 16, 2016)

The 45th Western Illinois University (WIU) Bull Test received 63 bulls from five states, representing the Angus, Simmental, Polled Hereford, Red Angus and Charolais breeds, plus a number of Simmental composites and a Barzona composite, according to WIU School of Agriculture Bull Test Director John Carlson. The bulls officially began the test Oct. 19, 2016. Off-test weights will be taken Feb. 7 and 8, 2017.

The bulls will be weighed every 28 days throughout the test, and the test website will be updated after each weigh date. The WIU bull test station is open daily for those who want to view the bulls during the test period.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 511; owner: Kuhle Farm, Hazel Green, Wis.; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 6.75 lb.; wt.: 848 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for March 10, 2017.

For more information about the test and to follow the progress of the bulls, contact Carlson at 309-298-1288 or tJP-Carlson@wiu.edu. The test website is www.wiu.edu/bulltest.

▶ MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich.

28-day report (Nov. 18, 2016)

The Michigan Cattlemen's Association (MCA) and Michigan State University (MSU) 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

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entries for the 112-day test was Sept. 1, with a delivery date of Oct. 7-8. Interim reports are scheduled for Dec. 16, 2016, and Jan. 13, 2017. Final weights will be taken Feb. 10, 2017.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 43; owner: Bordner Angus Farms, Sturgis; sire: K-B Carcass Merit A02; ADG: 6.43 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 2.73 lb.; WDA ratio: 91; wt.: 1,130 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 26; owner: KB Farms, Kevin Beckington, Merritt; sire: EXAR Denver 2002B; ADG: 5.27 lb.; ADG ratio: 107; WDA: 3.33 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,130 lb.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 19; owner: Dawson Farms, Concord; sire: Rito 9M25 of Rita 5F56 Pred; ADG: 6.25 lb.; ADG ratio: 161; WDA: 3.62 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,140 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 5; owner: Barker Creek Cattle Co., Bath; sire: Connealy Black Granite; ADG: 2.41 lb.; ADG ratio: 62; WDA: 3.66 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 870 lb.

Overall averages—ADG: 4.12 lb.; WDA: 3.14 lb.; wt.: 899 lb.

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 Association (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://www.mibulls.com/>.

WCA All-Breed Bull Test Eltopia, Wash.

On-test report (Nov. 3, 2016)

The 24th annual Washington Cattlemen's Association (WCA) All-Breed Bull Test began Nov. 3 with the initial weigh-in of 126 bulls consisting of 69 Angus, 31 Hereford, 13 Red Angus, four Angus composites, and nine Simmental. The bulls will be fed under the supervision of Bob and Nina Lundgren at their Bonina Feed Facility at Eltopia.

Bulls eligible for the 120-day test were born Jan. 1-March 31, 2016. When the bulls are weighed off test Feb. 28 and March 1, 2017, breeding soundness exams, semen tests and ultrasound data will be compiled. Genetic profile enhancement through DNA samples will be used on many of the bulls selling. One interim weight will be taken at 60 days from the on-test date.

The test sale is scheduled for March 22.

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@wvalley.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 Jr. Bull Test Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn.

On-test report (Nov. 8, 2016)

The University of Tennessee Bull Testing Program weighed 43 bulls on test, 33 of them Angus. The 84-day test is conducted at the Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn.

The junior bulls must be born Dec. 1, 2015-Feb. 28, 2016. The nomination deadline for junior bulls was Sept. 27, 2016, with delivery Oct. 25.

Interim weights were scheduled for Dec. 6, 2016, and Jan. 3, 2017. Bulls are to be weighed off test Jan. 30, with the sale scheduled March 9.

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>.

Kansas Angus Ass'n Bull Test Wamego, Kan.

On-test report (Nov. 10, 2016)

There were 85 Angus bulls delivered to Kansas Bull Development LLC, Wamego, Oct. 14-15 for the Kansas Angus Association Bull Test. Nominations were due Oct. 7, 2016. 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, 2016. Mid-test weights were to be collected Dec. 29, 2016. Final weights are to be taken Feb. 16, 2017. The test sale will take place March 22 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.

IBEP Winter Test Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind.

A total of 220 bulls and 21 get-of-sire groups were delivered for the 2016 Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Winter Test. Angus, Hereford, Red Angus, SimAngus, Simmental, Maine-Anjou, Lim-Flex and Charolais are represented with 76 owners from six different states.

Interim weigh dates were scheduled for Dec. 20, 2016; Jan. 24, 2017; and Feb. 21. The bulls will be weighed off test March 21.

Bulls will sell April 20 in the 75th 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.

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

On-test report (Nov. 10, 2016)

The 2017 Southern West Virginia Bull Test accepted delivery of 90 bulls that went on test Nov. 10, 2016, with Angus bulls averaging 805 lb. Interim weights were scheduled for Dec. 7, 2016, and Jan. 4, 2017. 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 25.

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. 22, 2016)

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 bulls Oct. 26, 2016, 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, 2016. The enrollment deadline was Sept. 16, 2016. Interim weights were scheduled for Dec. 21, 2016, and Jan. 18, 2017.

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 23 at the WVU Reymann Memorial Farm at Wardensville.

Test information is available from Kevin Shaffer, program coordinator, WVU Extension Service, 2084 Agricultural Sciences Bldg., PO Box 6108, Morgantown, WV 26505; phone: 304-293-2669; Kevin.Shaffer@mail.wvu.edu; or Jerry Yates, WVU Reymann Memorial Farm, phone: 304-874-3561; or on the test website, www.wvbeef.org/bulltest/.