



# Performance Report

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

## ▣ Tifton HERD Program Report 3 (Dec. 12, 2016)

The 18th HERD program at the Tifton Bull Evaluation Center in Irwinville has released its third 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 diarrhea (PI BVD).

The heifers were artificially inseminated (Aled) Dec. 12. The committee decided to allow the females to rest through the months of January and February. Pregnancy examination will be done March 15 to determine which heifers are safe to the AI date and a report will follow at that time.

Cleanup bulls were turned in Dec. 20, 2016, and will be removed Feb. 3, 2017. Overall, health continues to be good.

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](http://www.ugabeef.com).

## ▣ Florida Bull Test Marianna, Fla.

### 112-day final report (Dec. 6-7, 2016)

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 was 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 1557; owner: Gizmo Angus Farm, Molino; sire: SAV Resource 1441; ADG: 3.87 lb.; WDA: 3.18 lb.; wt.: 1,393 lb.; test index: 112

**High-WDA and high-indexing Angus**—Lot 1551; owner: Hubert Hightower, Waukeenah; sire: PA Safeguard 021; ADG: 3.53 lb.; WDA: 3.61 lb.; wt.: 1,515 lb.; test index: 113

**Angus averages**—ADG: 3.07 lb.; WDA: 2.94 lb.; wt.: 1,229 lb.

The test sale was 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](http://nfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/fl_bull_test/index.shtml).

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

### 112-day final report (Dec. 12-13, 2016)

Seventy bulls were delivered to the 2017 Clemson Bull Test at the Clemson Beef Cattle Farm near Pendleton Aug. 9, 2016. There were 26 senior Angus bulls and 17 junior Angus bulls on test.

The bulls were weighed on test Aug. 23 following a 14-day warm-up period.

**High-ADG and high-WDA (tie) senior Angus**—Lot 46; owner: Lindy Sheppard, Sylvania, Ga.; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 5.11 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.92 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,775 lb.

**High-WDA (tie) senior Angus**—Lot 10; owner: Shirley Brown, Tigerville, S.C.; sire: SAV Bruiser 9164; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 116; WDA: 3.92 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,723 lb.

**High-ADG and high-WDA junior Angus**—Lot 5; owner: Chimney Top Angus, Greeneville, Tenn.; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 4.75 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.84 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,560 lb.

**Senior Angus averages (25 head)**—ADG: 4.30 lb.; WDA: 3.34 lb.; wt.: 1,472 lb.

**Junior Angus averages (17 head)**—ADG: 4.01 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,246 lb.

The sale is scheduled for Feb. 4, 2017.

For additional information contact Steve Meadows, extension animal scientist, at [smdws@clemson.edu](mailto:smdws@clemson.edu) or at 864-633-9970 (cell) or Gary Burns, Clemson Bull Test manager at [gburns@clemson.edu](mailto:gburns@clemson.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 Mid-test report (Dec. 13, 2016)

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) received 212 junior and 14 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. The next Interim weights were scheduled for Jan. 10, 2017. Bulls will be weighed off test Feb. 6 and 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.

**High-ADG junior Angus**—Lot 119; owner: Andrew McPherson, McPherson Farms, Nephi;

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sire: SydGen Mandate 6079; ADG: 4.78 lb.; ADG ratio: 143; WDA: 3.47 lb.; wt.: 1,055 lb.; test ratio: 134

**High-WDA junior Angus**—Lot 61; owner: Crozier Angus, Neola; sire: Deer Valley All In; ADG: 4.33 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.81 lb.; wt.: 1,155 lb.; test ratio: 131

**High-ADG and high-WDA senior Angus**—Lot 226; owner: Lowe Livestock, Toquerville; sire: Connealy Final Product; ADG: 4.78 lb.; ADG ratio: 140; WDA: 3.42 lb.; wt.: 1,215 lb.; test ratio: 137

**Angus junior averages (212 head)**—ADG: 3.15 lb.

**Angus senior averages (14 head)**—ADG: 3.40 lb.

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](http://www.ubiabulls.com).

#### ▣ WCA All-Breed Bull Test Eltopia, Wash.

##### 60-day report (Nov. 28, 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 must be 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.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 80; owner: Wheeler Cattle Co., Garrett Wheeler, Prosser; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 5.89 lb.; WDA: 3.61 lb.; wt.: 1,255 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 97; owner: Hagen Cattle Co., Lorren or Pauline Hagen, Chawalah; sire: SAV Resource 1441; ADG: 4.66 lb.; WDA: 3.93 lb.; wt.: 1,400 lb.

**Angus averages (69 head)**—ADG: 4.00 lb.; WDA: 3.32 lb.; wt.: 1,102 lb.

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@kvalley.com](http://wacattle@kvalley.com); or on the WCA website at [www.washingtoncattlemen.org](http://www.washingtoncattlemen.org); or via sale manager Kendall Cattle Sales at 208-858-2163, [kendall@potlatch.com](mailto:kendall@potlatch.com).

#### ▣ OPSU Beef Bull Performance Test Goodwell, Okla.

##### 56-day report (Dec. 3)

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,

To access a state-by-state listing of current central bull tests, visit our Virtual Library online at [www.api-virtuallibrary.com/CentralBullTests.htm](http://www.api-virtuallibrary.com/CentralBullTests.htm).

The listing includes contact information, links to test websites, current test schedules and dates of upcoming tests.

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: Ronald Coffee, Pauls Valley; sire: SAV Ten Percent 3085; ADG: 5.02 lb.

**High-ADG senior Angus**—Owner: B&M Angus, Edmond; sire: B&M Upshot 304; ADG: 6.36 lb.

**Top junior Angus pen**—Owner: R.J. Hollon, Woodward; sire: GAR 9M25 Rito 6082; avg. ADG: 4.46 lb.; avg. WDA: 3.35 lb.

**Top senior Angus pen**—Owner: B&M Angus; avg. ADG: 5.41 lb.

**Overall averages (99 head)**—ADG: 3.99 lb.; WDA: 3.10 lb.

##### 84-day report (Dec. 31, 2016)

**High-ADG junior Angus**—Owner: Ronald Coffee; sire: SAV Ten Percent 3085; ADG: 5.17 lb.

**Top junior Angus pen**—Owner: R.J. Hollon; sire: GAR 9M25 Rito 6082; avg. ADG: 4.83 lb.

**High-ADG senior Angus**—Owner: B&M Angus; sire: B&M Upshot 304; ADG: 6.08 lb.

**Top senior Angus pen**—Owner: Al Rutledge, Stillwater; sire: GAR Sunrise; avg. ADG: 5.30 lb.

The 112-day test concluded 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](mailto:gwen@opsu.edu).

#### ▣ Tifton Bull Evaluation Program

##### Tifton Bull Evaluation Center, Tifton, Ga.

##### 56-day report (Dec. 13, 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, 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 Jan. 10, 2017, with final weights scheduled for collection Feb. 6-7.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 126; owner: Gretsches Bros. Angus, Fred and Ann Gretsches, Lexington, Ga.; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36; ADG: 6.55 lb.; ADG ratio: 144; WDA: 3.49 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,210 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 86; owner: Gillis Angus Farm, Windell Gillis, Eastman, Ga.; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 4.86 lb.; ADG ratio: 107; WDA: 3.84 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,360 lb.

**Angus averages (83 head)**—ADG: 4.56 lb.; WDA: 3.23 lb.; wt.: 1,077 lb.

**Overall averages (157 head)**—ADG: 4.48 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,090 lb.

##### 84-day report (Jan. 10, 2017)

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 126; owner: Gretsches Bros. Angus, Fred and Ann Gretsches; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36; ADG: 5.92 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.57 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; wt.: 1,340 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 86; owner: Gillis Angus Farm, Windell Gillis; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 4.43 lb.; ADG ratio: 100; WDA: 3.82 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,360 lb.

**Angus averages (83 head)**—ADG: 4.44 lb.; WDA: 3.30 lb.; wt.: 1,195 lb.

**Overall averages (157 head)**—ADG: 4.32 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.; wt.: 1,201 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](mailto:jacobs@uga.edu). If weekend visits are desired, please call Mike Keeler at 229-831-5416. Bull and heifer reports can be accessed through the test website at <http://blog.extension.uga.edu/beef/programs/>.

#### ▣ Snake River Bull Test

##### Twin Falls, Idaho

##### 87-day report (Dec. 10, 2016)

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

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 93; owner: JSL Angus, Mark and Cathy Ferguson, Madras, Ore.; sire: Connealy Thunder; ADG: 4.91 lb.; wt.: 1,135 lb.

The test sale will be March 3, 2017.

For more information contact Jason Anderson, 208-420-7352, [jason@snakeriverbulltest.com](mailto:jason@snakeriverbulltest.com); Ben Eborn, 208-399-2350, [ben@snakeriverbulltest.com](mailto:ben@snakeriverbulltest.com); Snake River Bull Test LLC, PO Box 6133, Twin Falls, ID 83303; or visit the test website at [www.snakeriverbulltest.com](http://www.snakeriverbulltest.com).

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### SIU Bull Test

#### Carbondale, Ill.

##### 56-day report (Jan. 3, 2017)

Southern Illinois University (SIU) accepted 22 junior bulls and seven Angus senior bulls for testing Oct. 13-14, 2016, for the 40th annual bull test. Applications were due Sept. 8, with bulls tested in junior and senior divisions for 84 days this year. The test began Nov. 7-8, with final weights scheduled for Jan. 30-31.

The bull test station team is student-run, with Rebecca Atkinson, associate professor of animal science, food and nutrition for beef cattle providing advisory oversight and hands-on training. The objective is to test the bulls' potential for producing superior calves that will grow fast and efficiently. To be eligible for the program, bulls must be registered with a recognized national breed association, come to the facility in good health and meet other criteria set by Atkinson and the bull test station advisory board.

The student team will have the opportunity to learn to handle large livestock and assess animal health. Each bull is fitted with a magnetic collar that, when in close proximity to its assigned feed stall, unlocks the door. This helps the team ensure that each bull receives only its measured portion of grain. In addition, the student team will learn to conduct the ultrasonic tests and to conduct the scheduled weigh-ins.

**High-ADG**—Lot 7; owner: Groennert Angus Farm, Nashville; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 6.16 lb.; ADG ratio: 128; F/G: 4.77 lb.; F/G ratio: 121; wt.: 1,190 lb.

**Best F/G junior Angus**—Lot 25; owner: Bill Washburn, Olney; sire: RB Tour of Duty 177; ADG: 6.07 lb.; F/G: 3.89 lb.; F/G ratio: 149; wt.: 1,330 lb.

**High-ADG and best F/G senior Angus**—Lot 50; owner: Gajewski Farms, Ashley; sire: AAR Ten x 7008 SA; ADG: 6.88 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; F/G: 4.90 lb.; F/G ratio: 127; wt.: 1,595 lb.

**Angus junior averages**—ADG: 4.83 lb.; F/G: 5.78 lb.; wt.: 1,113 lb.

**Angus senior averages**—ADG: 5.78 lb.; F/G: 6.22 lb.; wt.: 1,382 lb.

The sale is set for March 3 and will include an online video option. For more information contact Atkinson at SIU—Carbondale, Department of Animal Science, Food & Nutrition, Mail Code 4417, 1205 Lincoln Dr., Carbondale, IL 62901; phone: 618-453-5000; fax: 618-453-5231; or ratkinsn@siu.edu. Information is also available on the test website at <http://bulltest.siu.edu/>.

### WIU Bull Test

#### Macomb, Ill.

##### 56-day report (Dec. 13, 2016)

The 45th Western Illinois University (WIU) Bull Test received 63 bulls from five states. represented were Angus, Simmental, Polled Hereford, Red Angus and Charolais, 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 305; owner: Beau Bewley, Bewley Farms, Yates City, Ill.; sire: Musgrave Great Falls 513; ADG: 5.79 lb.; WDA: 5.64 lb.; wt.: 1,190 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 401; owner: Eagle River Angus, Phil Ehnle, Dunlap, Ill.; sire: VAR Generation 2100; ADG: 5.07 lb.; WDA: 5.84 lb.; wt.: 1,096 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](http://www.wiu.edu/bulltest).

### Un. of Tennessee Junior Bull Test

#### Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn.

##### 28-day report (Dec. 6, 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.

The next interim weight was scheduled for Jan. 3, 2017. Bulls were to be weighed off test Jan. 30.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 16; owner: Mills Angus Farms, Cookeville; sire: GAR Daybreak 5123; ADG: 7.46 lb.; WDA: 2.87 lb.; wt.: 1,005 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 7; owner: Heart for Spring Farm, Eagleville; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36; ADG: 4.75 lb.; WDA: 3.64 lb.; wt.: 1,007 lb.

**Angus averages (31 head)**—ADG: 4.02 lb.

##### 56-day report (Jan. 3, 2017)

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 16; owner: Mills Angus Farms, Cookeville; sire: GAR Daybreak 5123; ADG: 6.50 lb.; ADG ratio: 151; WDA: 3.07 lb.; wt.: 1,160 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 6; owner: Grassy Valley Farms, Afton; sire: TC Candid 161; ADG: 5.96 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 3.70 lb.; wt.: 1,210 lb.

**Angus averages (31 head)**—ADG: 4.30 lb.

**Overall averages (41 head)**—ADG: 4.26 lb.

The sale is scheduled for 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>.

### MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program

#### Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich.

##### 56-day report (Dec. 16, 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 9 senior Angus bulls on test.

All bulls will be evaluated at the MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program Station located at Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich. The deadline for entries for the 112-day test was Sept. 1, with a delivery date of Oct. 7-8. The next interim report was scheduled for Jan. 13, 2017. Final weights will be taken Feb. 10, 2017.

**High-ADG senior Angus**—Lot 46; owner: Bordner Angus Farms, Sturgis; sire: K-B Carcass Merit A02; ADG: 5.27 lb.; ADG ratio: 121; WDA: 2.47 lb.; WDA ratio: 89; wt.: 1,125 lb.

**High-WDA senior Angus**—Lot 26; owner: KB Farms, Kevin Beckington, Merritt; sire: EXAR Denver 2002B; ADG: 5.13 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; WDA: 3.08 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,270 lb.

**High-ADG junior Angus**—Lot 15; owner: Voogt Farms, Marne; sire: Boyd Signature 1014; ADG: 4.78 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.09 lb.; WDA ratio: 107; wt.: 1,125 lb.

**High-WDA junior Angus**—Lot 3; owner: C&L Angus Farms, Ewart; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36; ADG: 3.84 lb.; ADG ratio: 104; WDA: 3.36 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,100 lb.

**Overall averages**—ADG: 3.83 lb.; WDA: 2.86 lb.; wt.: 998 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 [www.mibulls.com/](http://www.mibulls.com/).

### Tucumcari Bull Test

#### Tucumcari, N.M.

##### 60-day report (Jan. 2, 2017)

There were significant changes to the 2015-2016 Tucumcari Bull Test. The addition of GrowSafe® feed intake technology allowed

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the measurement of feed intake per individual bull. This equipment also assists in calculating residual feed intake (RFI) efficiency for each year's set of bulls. The structure of the test itself was changed due to the new technology. There are now separate contemporary groups vs. one complete test group as in years past. Instead of 38 individual pens, the test facility now has two large pens and 10 individual pens. Bulls in the large pens are the RFI-tested bulls. Group A includes older bulls that were placed in the RFI testing pen to measure intake for the first 60 days of the test. Group B consists of the younger calves scheduled to be RFI-tested during the last 60 days of the overall test. Group C is considered the individually tested bulls.

**High-ADG and best RFI group A Angus**—Lot 5-2; owner: J-C Angus, Moriarty, N.M.; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 7.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 155; WDA: 3.09 lb.; WDA ratio: 91; RFI: -5.0; wt.: 1,068 lb.

**High-WDA group A Angus**—Lot 12-4; Walker Angus, Tucumcari; sire: EXAR Impression 3590B; ADG: 5.65 lb.; ADG ratio: 116; WDA: 3.96 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; RFI: -1.6; wt.: 1,133 lb.

**High-ADG group B Angus**—Lot 4-11; owner: Hartzog Angus/Running Water Land & Cattle, Bovina, Texas; sire: 2S Final Answer 60-1336; ADG: 5.33 lb.; ADG ratio: 142; WDA: 3.15 lb.; WDA ratio: 106; wt.: 948 lb.

**High-WDA group B Angus**—Lot 6-11; owner: McCall Land & Cattle Co., Albuquerque; N.M. sire: JMcAnswer 9485 529B; ADG: 5.31 lb.; ADG ratio: 142; WDA: 3.63 lb.; WDA ratio: 122; wt.: 1,018 lb.

**High-ADG group C Angus**—Lot 6-37; owner: McCall Land & Cattle Co.; sire: EF Impression 2648; ADG: 5.63 lb.; ADG ratio: 147; WDA: 2.99 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; wt.: 858 lb.

**High-WDA group C Angus**—Lot 6-31; owner: McCall Land & Cattle Co.; sire: EF Impression 2648; ADG: 3.93 lb.; ADG ratio: 102; WDA: 3.25 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 932 lb.

**Angus Group A averages**—ADG: 4.49 lb.; WDA: 3.37 lb.; FE: 5.30

**Angus Group B averages**—ADG: 3.74 lb.; WDA: 2.98 lb.

**Angus Group C averages**—ADG: 3.84 lb.; WDA: 2.85 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for March 11.

For more information contact Marcy Ward, extension livestock specialist, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM 88003; office phone: 575-646-5947 or cell: 575-644-3379; or visit the test website at <http://tucbulltest.nmsu.edu>.

### ■ Kansas Angus Ass'n Bull Test Wamego, Kan. mid-test report (Dec. 29, 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. Final weights are to be taken Feb. 16, 2017.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 153; owner: Cody & Ashley Bornholdt, Inman; sire: S Chisum 6175; ADG: 6.02 lb.; ADG ratio: 137; WDA: 3.56 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,145 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 174; owner: David Goode, Goode Bros. Farms, Cleveland, Mo.; sire: O'Neill's Earl Marshall; ADG: 5.61 lb.; ADG ratio: 128; WDA: 3.76 lb.; WDA ratio: 126

The test sale will take place March 22 at the Mitchell County Fairgrounds, Beloit, Kan.

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### ■ Nebraska Bull Test Rohde Farms, Mason City, Neb. 60-day report (Dec. 13, 2016)

The Nebraska Bull Test reported that 30 consignors delivered 117 Angus bulls, including 56 calving-ease bulls, that were weighed on test Oct. 13-14 for the start of the 2016-2017 test. Delivery of bulls was accepted Oct. 3 for the 120-day test conducted at Rohde Farms, Mason City, Neb.

The next interim weight was to be taken Jan. 12, 2017, with final weights scheduled for Feb. 10-11.

**High-ADG calving-ease Angus**—Lot 28CE; owner: Rockin' M Livestock and Mill Iron Hanging O Cattle, Sargent; sire: KM Broken Bow 002; ADG: 5.15 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 3.59 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,114 lb.

**High-WDA calving-ease Angus**—Lot 20CE; owner: Anderson Bros. Angus, Ong; sire: Koupals B+B Fort Knox 2077; ADG: 5.03 lb.; ADG ratio: 137; WDA: 4.09 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,190 lb.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 168; owner: JMC Angus, Blaine Clowser, Milford; sire: EXAR Resistol 3710B; ADG: 5.10; ADG ratio: 138; WDA: 3.49; WDA ratio: 103; wt.: 1,162 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 135; owner: Boyles Angus, Jim Boyles and Mackenzie Meunier, Mason City; sire: SAV Angus Valley 1867; ADG: 4.48 lb.; ADG ratio: 122; WDA: 3.92 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,342 lb.

**Angus calving-ease averages (56 head)**—ADG: 3.70 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,049 lb.

**Angus averages (118 head)**—ADG: 3.69 lb.; WDA: 3.40 lb.; wt.: 1,065 lb.

The test sale will be March 22 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 or visit the test website at [www.nebraskabullsale.com](http://www.nebraskabullsale.com).

### ■ Manitoba Beef Cattle Performance Ass'n Douglas Bull Test Station, Carberry, Man. 56-day report (Jan. 3, 2017)

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. 31, 2017. The bulls will be weighed off test Feb. 27-28.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 44; owner: Angus Pine Farm, Sundown, Man.; sire: Blue Gentian Objective 9516A; ADG: 5.63 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,050 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 69; owner: Sylvestre Land & Cattle, Redvers, Sask.; sire: SAV Resource 1441; ADG: 4.69 lb.; WDA: 3.79 lb.; wt.: 1,255 lb.

**Angus averages (71 head)**—ADG: 4.22 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,041 lb.

**Overall averages (138 head)**—ADG: 4.02 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.

The sale is 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](mailto:bulltest@mynetset.ca); or visit the test website at [www.manitobabulltest.co](http://www.manitobabulltest.co).

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

### ■ Southwest Virginia BCIA Bull Test Hillwinds Farm, Dublin, Va. 55-day report (Jan. 4, 2017)

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 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.

The bulls will be weighed off test with an average of weights collected Feb. 13 and 14.

**High-ADG senior Angus**—Lot 18; owner: Brilee Angus Ranch, Bob Bahr, Timberville; sire: VAR Discovery 2240; ADG: 6.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 152; WDA: 2.55 lb.; WDA ratio: 89; wt.: 1,005 lb.

**High-WDA senior Angus**—Lot 41; owner: Chimney Top Angus, Steve Johnson, Johnson

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City, Tenn.; sire: MCC Daybreak; ADG: 4.58 lb.; ADG ratio: 116; WDA: 3.28 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,510 lb.

**High-ADG junior Angus**—Lot 76; owner: Cassell Angus Farm, Jason Cassell, Independence; sire: Deer Valley All In; ADG: 4.75 lb.; ADG ratio: 140; WDA: 3.11 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; wt.: 982 lb.

**High-WDA junior Angus**—Lot 104; owner: Phillips Mountain Angus, Bud Phillips, Coeburn; sire: Connealy Right Answer 746; ADG: 3.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 109; WDA: 3.61 lb.; WDA ratio: 122; wt.: 1,035 lb.

**Angus senior averages (46 head)**—ADG: 3.96 lb.; WDA: 2.86 lb.; wt.: 1,258 lb.

**Overall senior averages (97 head)**—ADG: 3.88 lb.; WDA: 2.85 lb.; wt.: 1,237 lb.

**Angus junior averages (82 head)**—ADG: 3.40 lb.; WDA: 2.96 lb.; wt.: 925 lb.

**Overall junior averages (128 head)**—ADG: 3.38 lb.; WDA: 2.98 lb.; wt.: 927 lb.

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>.

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

#### 55-day report (Jan. 4, 2017)

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 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.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 117; owner: Kammack Ridge Farm, Elkview; sire: Connealy Counselor; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.13 lb.; wt.: 1,115 lb.

**High-WDA Angus (tie)**—Lot 168; owner: Rocking P Farm, Buckhannon; sire: OCC Magnitude 805M; ADG: 4.91 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.50 lb.; wt.: 1,374 lb.

**High-WDA Angus (tie)**—Lot 169; owner: Rocking P Farm; sire: OCC Magnitude 805M; ADG: 4.40 lb.; ADG ratio: 117; WDA: 3.50 lb.; wt.: 1,373 lb.

**Overall averages (87 head)**—ADG: 3.76 lb.; WDA: 2.93 lb.; wt.: 1,015 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for March 25.

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### ▶ Wardensville Bull Test

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

##### 29-day report (Dec. 21, 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. The next interim weight was scheduled for 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.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 49; owner: Kinsey's Oak Front Farm, Grafton; sire: Connealy Combination 0188; ADG: 6.38 lb.; ADG ratio: 144; WDA: 2.99 lb.; wt.: 967 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 32; owner: Kinsey's Oak Front Farm, Flemington; sire: HARB Big Shooter 279 JH; ADG: 5.72 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.63 lb.; wt.: 1,035 lb.

**Angus averages (155 head)**—ADG: 4.44 lb.; WDA: 3.12 lb.; wt.: 957 lb.

The test sale is scheduled for March 23 at the WVU Reymann Memorial Farm at Wardensville.

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### ▶ IBEP Winter Test

#### Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind.

##### 28-day report (Dec. 20, 2016)

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 Jan. 24, 2017; and Feb. 21. The bulls will be weighed off test March 21.

**High-ADG and high-indexing Angus**—Lot 35; owner: Rolling Acres Angus, Rick Rotert, Freetown; sire: SS Niagara Z29; ADG: 5.75 lb.; ADG ratio: 154; WDA: 3.12 lb.; WDA ratio: 100; wt.: 1,105 lb.; test index: 133

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 44; owner: Benson Angus, David Benson, Greensburg; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 3.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 91; WDA: 3.86 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,135 lb.; test index: 104

**Angus averages (153 head)**—ADG: 3.73 lb.; WDA: 3.11 lb.; wt.: 948 lb.

**Overall averages (219 head)**—ADG: 3.57 lb.; WDA: 3.13 lb.; wt.: 944 lb.

Bulls will sell April 20 in the 75th IBEP Bull Sale and Springville Feeder Auction Association Bred Heifer Sale.

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