



# Performance Report

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

## ► Calhoun HERD Program

The 14th Calhoun Heifer Evaluation and Reproductive Development (HERD) Program officially started with 157 heifers delivered by 25 consignors Dec. 5, 2013. The heifer team along with the crew at the Northwest Georgia Research and Education Center processed the heifers.

The first workday was Jan. 2. Estrous synchronization was to begin Jan. 29, and all heifers will be time-bred March 3.

All heifers tested negative for PI-BVD.

The Calhoun HERD sale will be May 28.

For more visit [www.caes.uga.edu/commodities/animals/beef/index.html](http://www.caes.uga.edu/commodities/animals/beef/index.html).

## ► WIU Bull Test Macomb, Ill.

### 28-day report (Nov. 19, 2013)

The Western Illinois University (WIU) Bull Testing Program weighed 74 bulls, 44 of them Angus, on test Oct. 21-22, 2013. Bulls entered in the 112-day test were born Jan. 1-March 31, 2013, and weaned by Aug. 16. Bulls were delivered Sept. 30-Oct. 1.

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.

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.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 603; owner: Robert Ramsey, Frankfort, Ind.; sire: Connealy Impression; ADG: 5.5 lb.; wt.: 962 lb.

### 56-day report (Dec. 17, 2013)

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 410; owner: Scott Groennert, Groennert Angus Farm, Nashville, Ill.; sire: SydGen CC&7; ADG: 7.9 lb.; wt.: 1,272 lb.

The final interim weighing was scheduled for Jan. 14. Off-test weights were to be taken Feb. 10-11, with the 42nd annual test sale March 14 in Macomb, Ill.

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## ► NFREC Bull Test Marianna, Fla.

### 112-day final report (Dec. 10-11, 2013)

Bulls nominated for the annual North Florida Research and Education Center (NFREC) Bull Test in Marianna, Fla., were accepted for delivery July 30 with initial weights taken Aug. 20 and 21. The test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Dec. 31, 2012. Purebred animals must be registered, and composites must be out of registered parents.

All Angus and Angus derivatives must be tested for AM status or must be accompanied by a letter from the breed association to indicate they are not a carrier. The diet will be a grain and forage-based diet formulated to target 4 lb. gain per day, with *ad libitum* access to hay, adequate for allowing expression of growth potential and development without overconditioning the bulls.

**High-ADG and high-indexing Angus**—Lot 1096; owner: BOSH Cattle Co., Marianna; sire: Kensington 458N Design W109; ADG: 4.30 lb.; WDA: 2.96 lb.; wt.: 1,213 lb.; test index: 115

**High-WDA Angus (tie)**—Lot 1119; owner: Triple D Angus Farm, Whigham, Ga.; sire: OV6 of RD27-5050; ADG: 3.88 lb.; WDA: 3.26 lb.; wt.: 1,390 lb.; test index: 113

**High-WDA Angus (tie)**—Lot 1118; owner: Triple D Angus Farm; sire: 9V3 of ST15-5050; ADG: 3.63 lb.; WDA: 3.26 lb.; wt.: 1,283 lb.; test index: 109

**Angus averages**—ADG: 3.33 lb.; WDA: 2.74 lb.; wt.: 1,211 lb.

The test sale was Jan. 18, 2014.

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).

## ► Kansas Angus Association Bull Test Kansas Bull Development LLC, Wamego, Kan.

### 56-day report (Dec. 28, 2013)

Sixty-seven Angus bulls were among the 191 bulls delivered to Kansas Bull Development LLC, Wamego, Oct. 18-19 for the Kansas Angus Association Bull Test. The

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test is being conducted and managed by Brian Hagedorn.

Bulls eligible for the 112-day test were born Jan. 1-April 15, 2013.

**High-ADG and high-indexing Angus**—Lot 194; owner: R Bar W Ranch, Mayetta; sire: EF Complement 8088; ADG: 6.2 lb.; ADG ratio: 146; WDA: 3.3 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,108 lb.; test index: 129

**High-WDA Angus (tie)**—Lot 158; owner: J.W. & Carol Brune, Overbrook; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 5.4 lb.; ADG ratio: 128; WDA: 3.4 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,230 lb.; test index: 122

**High-WDA Angus (tie)**—Lot 199; owner: R Bar W Ranch; sire: GAR-EGL Protégé; ADG: 5.1 lb.; ADG ratio: 120; WDA: 3.4 lb.; WDA

ratio: 114; wt.: 1,148 lb.; test index: 118

**High-WDA Angus (tie)**—Lot 202; owner: R Bar W Ranch; sire: RW 458 N Dateline 6038; ADG: 4.6 lb.; ADG ratio: 109; WDA: 3.4 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,060 lb.; test index: 112

**High-WDA Angus (tie)**—Lot 203; owner: R Bar W Ranch; sire: RW 458 N Dateline 6038; ADG: 4.7 lb.; ADG ratio: 110; WDA: 3.4 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,040 lb.; test index: 113

Final weights are scheduled to be taken Feb. 21 and 23, 2014. The test sale will be April 2 at the Mitchell County Fairgrounds, Beloit, Kan.

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► **WCA All-Breed Bull Test  
Bonina Feed Facility, Eltopia, Wash.  
60-day report (Jan. 3-4)**

The 21st annual Washington Cattlemen's Association (WCA) All-Breed Bull Test began Nov. 3-4, 2013, with the initial weighing of 153 bulls consisting of 89 Angus, nine Polled Hereford, 22 Horned Hereford, 16 Red Angus, nine SimAngus, three ChiAngus and five Simmental consigned by 52 breeders. The bulls are being fed under the supervision of Bob and Nina Lundgren at their Bonina Feed Facility at Eltopia.

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**High-ADG Angus**—Lot: 104; owner: Frisbie Cattle Co., Melba, Idaho; sire: Connealy Final Product; ADG: 5.25 lb.; WDA: 3.40 lb.; wt.: 1,220 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot: 146; owner: Unruh Angus Ranch, Warden; sire: Basin Yellowstone R178; ADG: 2.61 lb.; WDA: 3.77 lb.; wt.: 1,308 lb.

**Angus averages (89 head)**—ADG: 3.59 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,100 lb.

The 120-day test will end March 1. At that time breeding soundness exams, semen tests and ultrasound data will be compiled prior to the sale, scheduled for March 26. Genetic profile enhancement through DNA samples will be used again this year 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](mailto:wacattle@kvalley.com); 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).

### ▶ WBIA Bull Test University of Wisconsin, Platteville, Wis. 37-day report (Jan. 8)

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 123 bulls, 96 of them Angus, were delivered Nov. 4, 2013, for the 2014 WBIA Bull Test for an on-test date of Dec. 6. The 100-day test is for bulls born Jan. 1-April 15, 2013.

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 conclusion, bulls are ultrasound-scanned for carcass traits and evaluated for breeding soundness.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 63; owner: Herman Wolters, Wolters Farm Inc., Cuba City; sire: WF Conqueror 177; ADG: 5.14 lb.; ADG ratio:

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150; WDA: 3.48 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,100 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 14; owner: Brian Nodolf, Biddick Inc., Livingston; sire: Doss Total Impact 745; ADG: 3.51 lb.; ADG ratio: 103; WDA: 3.87 lb.; WDA ratio: 123; wt.: 1,080 lb.

**Angus averages (102 head)**—ADG: 3.43 lb.; WDA: 3.16 lb.

The final interim weight was to be taken Feb. 6. Off-test weights are scheduled for March 12-13, with the sale April 5, 2014.

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](mailto:wbia@tds.net). Information is also available on the WBIA website at [www.wisconsinbeef.com](http://www.wisconsinbeef.com).

### ▶ Iowa Angus Association Bull Test Benton, Iowa

#### Mid-test report (Jan. 13)

The Iowa Angus Association (IAA) accepted delivery of 48 bulls Oct. 1, 2013, for its 2013-2014 bull test. The test is for bulls born Jan. 1-March 31, 2013.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 14; owner: Katelyn Holmes, Benton; sire: Kate's RAF Full Pull; ADG: 5.94 lb.; wt.: 1,510 lb.

For more information contact Tricia and Colby Holmes, coordinators, 1424 220th St., Benton, IA 50835; phone: 641-785-2315; fax: 641-785-2220; [cholmes@iowatelecom.net](mailto:cholmes@iowatelecom.net); or visit the IAA website, [www.iowaangus.org](http://www.iowaangus.org).

### ▶ UBIA Bull Test Kenison Feedlot, Levan, Utah 84-day report (Jan. 13)

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) on Oct. 6, 2013, received 162 junior and eight senior bulls to be tested at Kenison Farm and Feedlot, Levan. There are 95 junior Angus and three senior Angus in the test. Bulls were weighed on test Oct. 22. Bulls entered in the senior test were born Sept. 1-Dec. 31, 2012. Bulls entered in the junior test were born Jan. 1-March 15, 2013.

Bulls are being fed by breed. Breeds that do not have adequate numbers to fill a pen (typically 50 head) are commingled with other breeds and fed together. There are two divisions — traditional growth division and low-birth-weight (low-BW) — within the junior Angus breed test.

**High-ADG and high-indexing junior low-BW Angus**—Lot 139; owner: McPherson

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Farms, Paul McPherson, Nephi; sire: SydGen Mandate 6079; ADG: 4.07 lb.; ADG ratio: 146; WDA: 3.42 lb.; wt.: 1,100 lb.; test index: 138

**High-WDA junior low-BW Angus (tie)**—Lot 79; owner: Kelly Crozier Angus, Neola; sire: Werner War Party 2417; ADG: 2.76 lb.; ADG ratio: 99; WDA: 3.51 lb.; wt.: 1,170 lb.; test index: 105

**High-WDA junior low-BW Angus (tie)**—Lot 160; owner: Sunset Farms, Robert Law, Kaysville; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 2.85 lb.; ADG ratio: 102; WDA: 3.51 lb.; wt.: 1,220 lb.; test index: 109

**High-ADG and high-indexing junior growth Angus**—Lot 90; owner: Farnsworth Angus, Ray Farnsworth, Gusher; sire: ALC Big Eye D09N; ADG: 4.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 140; WDA: 3.44 lb.; wt.: 1,120 lb.; test index: 131

**High-WDA junior growth Angus**—Lot 78; owner: Kelly Crozier Angus; sire: SS New Day X66; ADG: 3.35 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; WDA: 3.60 lb.; wt.: 1,165 lb.; test index: 113

**High-ADG, high-WDA and high-indexing senior Angus**—Lot 200; owner: Lowe Livestock, Lorin Lowe, Toquerville; sire: ICC Bear River 69X; ADG: 2.70 lb.; ADG ratio: 101; WDA: 2.88 lb.; wt.: 1,090 lb.; test index: 102

**Angus junior low-BW averages (54 head)**—ADG: 2.79 lb.

**Angus junior growth averages (41 head)**—ADG: 2.95 lb.

**Overall junior averages (162 head)**—ADG: 2.66 lb.

**Angus senior averages (8 head)**—ADG: 2.68 lb.

Off-test weights were scheduled to be taken Feb. 10 and 12. The test sale will be March 15.

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).

### University of Tennessee Junior Bull Test Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn. 56-day report (Jan. 3)

The University of Tennessee Bull Testing Program has 65 bulls on test, 60 of them Angus. The 84-day test is being conducted at the Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center, Spring Hill, Tenn. The test is for bulls born Dec. 16, 2012-March 15, 2013.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 38; owner: Mills Angus Farm, Cookeville; sire: SydGen Diamond 8499; ADG: 6.29 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.49 lb.; wt.: 1,120 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 29; owner: Lynn Angus, Kingston Springs; sire: LA Mytty 42W; ADG: 4.98 lb.; ADG ratio: 107; WDA: 3.92 lb.; wt.: 1,165 lb.

**Angus averages (60 head)**—ADG: 4.67 lb.

**Overall averages (65 head)**—ADG: 4.63 lb.

Junior bulls were to be weighed off test Jan. 27-28, 2014, with the sale scheduled for March 6.

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>.

### Edisto Forage Bull Test Edisto Research & Education Center, Blackville, S.C. 28-day report (Jan. 14)

The 2014 Edisto Forage Bull Test (EFBT) began Dec. 17, 2013, in Blackville after the delivery of 57 bulls Nov. 25. Scott Sell, area livestock/forage extension agent and bull test coordinator, says that although the last 28 days have been some of the coldest in a decade, the weights look great.

The test is located at the Edisto Research & Education Center near Blackville, S.C., and offers a unique approach to gain-testing bulls. It is a 168-day pasture-based test. EFBT was developed, built and started in 1982 with the commercial cow-calf producer in mind and capitalizing on the Southeast's advantage in the cattle business — the ability to grow high-quality, lush forages year-round. EFBT was designed to performance-test bulls in an environment in which bull buyers expect their progeny to perform.

Sell says all eye and respiratory issues have been resolved and the health of the group is excellent.

**High-ADG senior Angus**—Lot 44; owner: Fox Run Farm, Oxford, N.C.; sire: Rito 2V8 of 2536 1407; ADG: 4.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 178; WDA: 2.31 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 904 lb.

**High-WDA senior Angus**—Lot 45; owner: Fox Run Farm; sire: Rito 2V8 of 2536 1407; ADG: 2.43 lb.; ADG ratio: 94; WDA: 2.54 lb.; WDA ratio: 127; wt.: 884 lb.

**High-ADG junior Angus**—Lot 49; owner: Hawk's Nest Ranch, Hickory Grove, S.C.; sire: GAR Ingenuity; ADG: 3.43 lb.; ADG ratio: 148; WDA: 2.08 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; wt.: 738 lb.

**High-WDA junior Angus (tie)**—Lot 20; owner: Lindy Sheppard, Sylva, Ga.; ADG: 2.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 111; WDA: 2.43 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 840 lb.

**High-WDA junior Angus (tie)**—Lot 19; owner: Lindy Sheppard; sire: SAV 8180 Traveler 004; ADG: 3.36 lb.; ADG ratio: 145; WDA: 2.42 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 842 lb.

**Senior Angus averages (18 head)**—ADG: 2.58 lb.; WDA: 1.99 lb.; wt.: 803 lb.

**Junior Angus averages (27 head)**—ADG: 2.31 lb.; WDA: 2.11 lb.; wt.: 737 lb.

**Overall averages (57 head)**—ADG: 2.46 lb.; WDA: 2.08 lb.; wt.: 762 lb.

Off-test weights are scheduled for May 28-29, with the sale Oct. 11.

Sell can be contacted at 803-284-3343, ext. 223 (office); 803-450-0995 (cell) or gsell@clemson.edu. Additional information is available on the test website at [www.clemson.edu/extension/livestock/livestock/beef/bull\\_tests/efbt.html](http://www.clemson.edu/extension/livestock/livestock/beef/bull_tests/efbt.html).

### Tifton Bull Evaluation Program Tifton Bull Evaluation Center, Tifton, Ga. 84-day report (Jan. 14)

The 56th Tifton Bull Evaluation Program began Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 with the delivery of 128 bulls representing nine different breeds and averaging 761 lb. The bulls went on test Oct. 22, 2013. There are 56 Angus bulls on test.

The 112-day test features bulls born Dec. 1, 2012-Feb. 28, 2013. All bulls tested negative for persistent infection with bovine viral diarrhea (PI-BVD). The bulls have continued to perform very well, says Jacob Segers, extension animal scientist.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 98; owner: Circle R Cattle Co., Larry Rigsby, Chickamauga, Ga.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 5.60 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.30 lb.; WDA ratio: 102; wt.: 1,315 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 88; owner: Lemmon Cattle Ent., Woodbury, Ga.; sire: Summitcrest Complete 1P55; ADG: 4.11 lb.; ADG ratio: 95; WDA: 3.72 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,350 lb.

**Angus averages (52 head)**—ADG: 4.31 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,208 lb.

**Overall averages (124 head)**—ADG: 4.27 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,201 lb.

Final weights were scheduled to be taken Feb. 10-11, 2014. Qualifying bulls may sell in the test sale March 5.

Visitors are welcome at the station 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. 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](http://www.caes.uga.edu/commodities/animals/beef/index.html).

### Southwest Virginia BCIA Bull Test Hillwinds Farm, Dublin, Va. 84-day report (Dec. 18-19, 2013)

The junior and senior tests at the Southwest Virginia BCIA Bull Test were to be conducted simultaneously. Entries for both divisions were due Sept. 6. Delivery was accepted Oct. 1 at Hillwinds Farm. A total of 87 senior bulls and 106 junior bulls went on test Oct. 21-22.

The 54 senior Angus bulls began the test with an average weight of 996 lb. and an average WDA of 2.72 lb. The 60 junior Angus bulls weighed on test with an average weight of 739 lb. and an average WDA of 2.89 lb.

**High-ADG junior Angus**—Lot 75; owner: Grassy Valley Farm, Lee Duckworth, Afton, Tenn.; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 4.46 lb.; ADG ratio: 144; WDA: 3.28 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,150 lb.

**High-WDA junior Angus**—Lot 97; owner:

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Silver Creek Angus, John Prekker, Danville; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 3.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 3.49 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,260 lb.

**High-ADG and high-WDA senior Angus—** Lot 39; owner: Lucas Farm, Joe and Timmy Lucas, Blacksburg; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 149; WDA: 3.29 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,565 lb.

**Junior Angus averages (59 head)—**ADG: 3.09 lb.; WDA: 2.95 lb.; wt.: 1,002 lb.

**Senior Angus averages (54 head)—**ADG: 3.35 lb.; WDA: 2.85 lb.; wt.: 1,283 lb.

**Overall junior averages (104 head)—**ADG: 3.07 lb.; WDA: 2.99; wt.: 1,012 lb.

**Overall senior averages (87 head)—**ADG: 3.37 lb.; WDA: 2.83 lb.; wt.: 1,265 lb.

Junior and senior bulls were scheduled to be weighed off test with an average of weights collected Feb. 10-11. The test sale will be at the farm March 22.

For more information contact Scott Greiner, extension beef specialist, at 540-231-9159; fax: 540-231-3713 or [sgreiner@vt.edu](mailto:sgreiner@vt.edu); or Tom & Kim Nixon, owner/manager, Glenmary Farm, at 540-672-7396; fax: 540-672-3579 or

[glenmaryfarm@vabb.com](mailto:glenmaryfarm@vabb.com). Information is also available on the test website, <http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu>.

### ▶ MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich. 84-day report (Jan. 17)

The Michigan Cattlemen's Association (MCA) and Michigan State University (MSU) announced 110 bulls weighing an average of 873 lb. were on test at Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich. Consignors must be paid members of

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the MCA. Eligible bulls were born Sept. 1, 2012-March 31, 2013.

**High-ADG and high-WDA Angus**—Lot 8; owner: Apple Hill Angus, The McMaster Family, Harrisville; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 4.76 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.69 lb.; WDA ratio: 123; wt.: 1,470 lb.

**Overall averages (110 head)**—ADG: 3.33 lb.; WDA: 3.10 lb.; wt.: 1,149 lb.

Final weights were to be taken Feb. 13-14, with the sale scheduled for March 15.

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

#### ▶ IBEP Winter Test

##### **Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind. 63-day report (Jan. 21)**

A total of 232 bulls and 31 get-of-sire groups were delivered Oct. 29 for the 2013 Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP)

Winter Test. Angus, Hereford, Red Angus, SimAngus, Simmental, Charolais, Shorthorn and LimFlex are the breeds represented.

The test is for bulls born Jan. 1-April 30, 2013. Bulls are fed a total mixed ration (TMR) that is approximately 55% corn silage, 22% corn grain, 20% distillers' dried grains with solubles and 3% balancer, along with free access to salt and minerals. Feed intake is recorded for each lot. Hay or small-grain crop silage may be substituted for the corn silage, depending on supply. A test index is 60% ADG ratio + 40% WDA ratio.

**High-ADG and high-indexing Angus**—Lot 29; owner: Bill Washburn, Olney, Ill.; sire: Connealy Confidence 0100; ADG: 5.89 lb.; ADG ratio: 159; WDA: 3.58 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,355 lb.; test index: 141

**High-WDA Angus (tie)**—Lot 187; owner: KB Farms LLC, Merritt, Mich.; sire: Connealy Consensus 7229; ADG: 4.37 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; WDA: 3.74 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,215 lb.; test index: 118

**High-WDA Angus (tie)**—Lot 220; owner: Underwood Angus Farms, Mark Underwood, North Manchester; sire: SS Mandate X130; ADG: 4.40 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.72 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,115 lb.; test index: 118

**High-ADG and high-indexing Angus sire group**—four bulls; owner: Bill Washburn; sire: Connealy Confidence 0100; avg. ADG: 4.96

lb.; ADG ratio: 134; avg. WDA: 3.44 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; avg. wt.: 1,255 lb.; test index: 124

**High-WDA Angus sire group**—four bulls; owner: Underwood Angus Farms; sire: SS Mandate X130; avg. ADG: 3.46 lb.; ADG ratio: 93; avg. WDA: 3.56 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; avg. wt.: 1,062 lb.; test index: 101

**Angus averages**—ADG: 3.70 lb.; WDA: 3.19 lb.; wt.: 1,085 lb.

**Overall averages (232 head)**—ADG: 3.65 lb.; WDA: 3.19 lb.; wt.: 1,077 lb.

The last interim weigh date was to be Feb. 18. The bulls will be weighed off test March 24. There are 163 Angus bulls in the test. Bulls will sell April 17 in the 72nd IBEP Bull Sale and Springville Feeder Auction Association Bred Heifer Sale.

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#### ▶ Midland Bull Test Columbus, Mont.

##### **91-day group 1 report (Jan. 8)**

The Midland Bull test is a 120-day gain test with a 70-day efficiency test. Bulls are fed a 44-Mcal diet that is high in roughage for targeted gains of about 3 lb. per day. Group 1 bulls were received Sept. 11-21, with an on-test weight scheduled for Oct. 5-6. Group 1 120-day final weights were scheduled for Feb. 1-2.

Group 2 bulls were received Oct. 16-26, 2013, with on-test weights taken Nov. 9-10. Group 2 90-day weights were scheduled for Feb. 8 and 120-day final weights were to be taken March 8.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 94; owner: Doug Brown Farms, Rockville, Ind.; sire: EXAR Upshot 0562B; ADG: 4.69 lb.; WDA: 3.48 lb.; wt.: 1,235 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 339; owner: Haycow, Lincoln, Calif.; sire: Basin Yellowstone R178; ADG: 3.41 lb.; WDA: 4.12 lb.; wt.: 1,195 lb.

##### **60-day group 2 report (Jan. 9)**

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 607; owner: SHB Angus, Reardan, Wash.; sire: AAR TenX 7008 SA; ADG: 4.83 lb.; WDA: 3.26 lb.; wt.: 920 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 625; owner: Flat Mountain Ranch, Menahga, Minn.; sire: Flat Mountain Efficiency; ADG: 4.66 lb.; WDA: 3.93 lb.; wt.: 1,200 lb.

**High-ADG Angus sire group**—Lots 621, 622, 625; owner: Flat Mountain Ranch; sire: Flat Mountain Efficiency; avg. ADG: 4.22 lb.

**High-WDA Angus sire group**—Lots 339, 341, 347; owner: Hay Cow; sire: Basin Yellowstone R178; avg. WDA: 3.99 lb.

**Angus averages (588 head)**—ADG: 3.35 lb.; WDA: 3.19 lb.

The Angus sale date is April 4.

For more information contact Steve and Lindsay Williams at 406-322-5597 (office); fax: 406-322-5210; email: bulls@midlandbulltest.com or visit the test website at [www.midlandbulltest.com](http://www.midlandbulltest.com).

#### ▣ Tifton HERD Program

The 15th Heifer Evaluation and Reproductive Development (HERD) Program at the Tifton Bull Evaluation Center in Irwinville has released Report 3. The center received 133 heifers Oct. 7, 2013. The heifers were worked Jan. 27. The heifers were AI-bred Dec. 16, 2013. Cleanup bulls were turned in Dec. 24, with removal scheduled for Feb. 14.

Pregnancy examinations will be done March 19 to determine which heifers are safe to the AI dates.

All heifers tested negative for PI-BVD.

For more information visit [www.caes.uga.edu/commodities/animals/beef/index.html](http://www.caes.uga.edu/commodities/animals/beef/index.html).

#### ▣ Royal Hoofers Bull Test Denton, Neb.

##### 30-day report (Dec. 13, 2013)

The 47th Royal Hoofers Bull Test took delivery of 32 registered Angus bulls Nov. 2, 2013. The bulls have birth dates between Dec. 15, 2012 and May 16, 2013. There was a 10-day preconditioning trial before the bulls began the test Nov. 13. The trial and test rations are wet distillers' grains (WDG) and hay. The bulls are scheduled to be scanned by ultrasound and weighed off test Feb. 24. The test sale will be March 15 at the Beatrice 77 Sale Barn, Beatrice, Neb.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 4; owner: Macholan Angus, Linwood, Neb.; ADG: 7.30 lb.; wt.: 1,095 lb.

**Angus averages (32 head)**—ADG: 5.64 lb.

##### 64-day report (Jan. 16)

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 22; owner: Production Systems, Denton, Neb.; sire: Destination 928; ADG: 6.72 lb.; ADG ratio: 123; wt.: 1,430 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 12; owner: Double D Angus, Linwood, Neb.; sire: Jindra Double Vision; WDA: 3.77 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,160 lb.

**Angus averages (32 head)**—ADG: 5.42 lb.; WDA: 3.33 lb.

For more information on the test or the bulls contact test manager Jim Fixemer, 10777 W. Midway, Denton, NE 68339; phone: 402-797-5415; or [jfixemer@gmail.com](mailto:jfixemer@gmail.com). Information is also available at [www.royalhoofers.com](http://www.royalhoofers.com).

#### ▣ Treasure Bull Test Broken O Ranch Feedlot, Simms, Mont. 90-day report (Feb. 1)

The 120-day Treasure Bull Test received bulls at the Broken O Ranch Feedlot in Simms, Mont. The spring division is for bulls

born Dec. 15, 2012-April 15, 2013. The fall division is for bulls born Aug. 1-Dec. 14, 2012; but there are no fall entries on test. The bulls were weighed on test Nov. 2, 2013.

**High-ADG and high-WDA Jackpot Angus**—Lot 13; owner: R.K. Perry, Ryan & Karnel Perry, Power, Mont.; sire: S Chisum 6175; ADG: 4.67 lb.; WDA: 3.57 lb.; wt.: 1,300 lb.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 166; owner: R.K. Perry; sire: S Chisum 6175; ADG: 5.17 lb.; WDA: 3.34 lb.; wt.: 1,265 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 175; owner: CS Angus, Craig & Shelby Weirather; sire: DFA Hero 6017; ADG: 3.61 lb.; WDA: 3.64 lb.; wt.: 1,265 lb.

**Top Angus sire group**—three bulls; owner: R.K. Perry; sire: S Chisum 6175; avg. ADG: 4.69 lb.; avg. WDA: 3.48 lb.; avg. wt.: 1,273 lb.

**Angus averages (98 head)**—ADG: 3.55 lb.; WDA: 3.10 lb.

The bulls will be weighed off test in mid-March. Approximately 75% of the bulls on test will sell April 14 at Western Livestock Auction, Great Falls, Mont. Sale order will be determined by test index, which is one-third weaning ratio with a limit of 110, one-third gain ratio and one-third yearling ratio.

For more information contact Russ and Barb Pepper or Jeff and Jamie Wood at 406-264-5694 or [brtangus@3rivers.net](mailto:brtangus@3rivers.net). The test website is [www.treasurebulltest.com](http://www.treasurebulltest.com).

#### ▣ St. Croix Valley Bull Test UW Mann Valley Farm, River Falls, Wis. 56-day report (Jan. 4)

The St. Croix Valley Bull Test (SCVBT) is conducted at the University of Wisconsin (UW) Mann Valley Farms at River Falls, Wis. The 140-day test features a high-roughage ration of corn silage, haylage, shell corn, protein and mineral to provide a targeted average daily gain (ADG) of 3 lb.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 16-2; owner: Riek Black Angus, Josh & Angie and Jeff & Teri Riek, Wheeler, Wis.; sire: S Chisum 6175; ADG: 5.93 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 3.49 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,105 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 2-1; owner: KLS Farm, Kody Stork, New Richmond, Wis.; sire: B/R Future Direction 4268; ADG: 3.95 lb.; ADG ratio: 93; WDA: 3.77 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,200 lb.

**Angus averages (63 head)**—ADG: 4.25 lb.; WDA: 3.14 lb.; wt.: 971 lb.

An interim weight was scheduled for late February, with off-test weights collected March 28-29. The sale will be at the farm April 26. The top two-thirds of the bulls will sell based on an index that is 75% ADG ratio + 25% WDA ratio.

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