

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

## **IBEP Summer Test** Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind. 28-day report (June 17)

The 73rd Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Summer Test entry deadline was April 7, with bulls and get-of-sire groups delivered April 29 for the 2014 test. The test started May 20. A total mixed ration (TMR) composed of 55% corn silage, 22% corn grain, 20% distillers' dried grains with solubles (DDGS) and 3% balancer is being fed.

Bulls eligible for the test were born May 1-Oct. 31, 2013. Interim weigh dates were scheduled for July 22 and Aug. 19. The bulls will be weighed off test Sept. 22.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus-Lot 75; owner: Small Cattle Farms, Bloomfield, Ind.; sire: SS Mandate X35; ADG: 7.79 lb.; ADG ratio: 162; WDA: 3.34 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,010 lb.; test index: 142

High-WDA Angus-Lot 124; owner: Hanlin Farms, Pennville, Ind.; sire: EXAR Wanted

9732B; ADG: 5.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 3.66 lb.; WDA ratio: 122; wt.: 1,135 lb.; test index: 116

Angus averages (51 head)—ADG: 4.80 lb.; WDA: 3.01 lb.; wt.: 930 lb.

Overall averages (80 head)-ADG: 4.55 lb.; WDA: 3.09 lb.; wt.: 920 lb.

Bulls will sell Oct. 18 in the 73rd IBEP Bull Sale and Springville Feeder Auction Association Bred Heifer Sale.

For more information contact Terry Stewart

| Test name                         | On test          | Off test         | Sale date      |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Butner Bull Test (N.C.)           | July 28-29, 2014 | Nov. 17-18, 2014 | Dec. 19, 2014  |
| Cal Poly Bull Test (Cal.)         | May 16-17, 2014  | Aug. 22-23, 2014 | Oct. 5, 2014   |
| Calhoun Bull Evaluation (Ga.)     | July 21-22, 2014 | Nov. 10-11, 2014 | Dec. 5, 2014   |
| Clemson Bull Test (S.C.)          | Aug. 21, 2014    | Dec. 11, 2014    | Feb. 7, 2015   |
| Foundation Feeders (Minn.)        | Nov. 8, 2014     | March 20, 2015   | April 3, 2015  |
| Hinds Bull Test (Miss.)           | Oct. 28, 2014    | Feb. 3, 2015     | March 5, 2015  |
| IBEP Summer (Ind.)                | May 20, 2014     | Sept. 22, 2014   | Oct. 18, 2014  |
| IBEP Winter (Ind.)                | Nov. 18, 2014    | March 23, 2015   | April 16, 2015 |
| IBEP 2015 Summer (Ind.)           | May 19, 2015     | Sept. 21, 2015   | Oct. 17, 2015  |
| Kansas Bull Test                  | Nov. 1, 2014     | Feb. 21, 2015    | April 1, 2015  |
| MCA/MSU (Mich.)                   | Oct. 23-24, 2014 | Feb. 12-13, 2015 | March 14, 2015 |
| Nebraska Bull Test                | Oct. 16-17, 2014 | Feb. 13-14, 2015 | March 25, 2015 |
| North Alabama Bull Evaluation     | Aug. 5, 2014     | Oct. 28, 2014    | Dec. 13, 2014  |
| Oklahoma Beef Inc. (OBI) Test 141 | June 20, 2014    | Oct. 10, 2014    |                |
| Oklahoma Beef Inc. (OBI) Test 142 | Oct. 10, 2014    | Jan. 30, 2015    | March 26, 2015 |
| OPSU (Okla.)                      | Oct. 11, 2014    | Jan. 31, 2015    | Feb. 23, 2015  |
| PABCO (Ore.)                      | Oct. 1, 2014     | Feb. 1, 2015     | Feb. 14, 2015  |
| Tifton Bull Evaluation (Ga.)      | Oct. 20-21, 2014 | Feb. 9-10, 2015  | March 4, 2015  |
| Treasure Bull Test (Mont.)        | Nov. 1-2, 2014   | March 1-2, 2015  | April 13, 2015 |
| Un. of Florida Bull Test          | Aug. 19, 2014    | Dec. 9-10, 2014  | Jan. 17, 2015  |
| Un. of Tennessee (Sr.)            | Sept. 1-2, 2014  | Nov. 25-26, 2014 | Jan. 15, 2015  |
| Un. of Tennessee (Jr.)            | Nov. 10-11, 2014 | Feb. 2-3, 2015   | March 12, 2015 |
| Virginia BCIA Culpeper Sr.        | July 15, 2014    | Nov. 4, 2014     | Dec. 13, 2014  |
| Virginia BCIA SW Jr. & Sr. Test   | Oct. 28, 2014    | Feb. 17, 2015    | March 28, 2015 |
| Wardensville (W.Va.)              | Nov. 24-25, 2014 | Feb. 16-17, 2015 | March 26, 2015 |
| Waynesville Bull Test (N.C)       | Aug. 11-12, 2014 | Dec. 1-2, 2014   | Jan. 3, 2015   |

## 2014-2015 schedule for centralized performance bull tests

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## Clemson Bull Test Program announces 2015 test

The 2015 Clemson University Bull Test has announced its calendar and requirements for nominations for the test. Senior bulls must be born Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 2013, and junior bulls must be born Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 2013, to be eligible for the test.

The nomination deadline was July 18, with a delivery date of Aug. 7. After a 14-day warm-up period, the test was to begin Aug. 21. Interim weights are scheduled for Sept. 18, Oct. 16 and Nov. 13, with final weights taken Dec. 11, 2014. The sale is scheduled for Feb. 7, 2015.

For additional information contact

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.

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## North Alabama test announced

The Alabama Beef Cattle Improvement Association (BCIA) and the North Alabama Bull Evaluation Center (NABEC) Advisory Committee have announced test dates for the 2014-2015 test year.

Bulls will be tested at Donaldson Farm, located 6 miles east of Cullman, Ala., where they were to be delivered July 8. Bulls must have been born Aug. 15-Nov. 15, 2013, to be eligible for the test. The 84-day test began Aug. 5 and will end Oct. 28. The test sale is scheduled for Dec. 13 at the Cullman Stockyards.

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