

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

Edisto Forage Bull Test **Edisto Research & Education Center,** Blackville, S.C.

140-day report (May 5)

The 2015 Edisto Forage Bull Test (EFBT) began Dec. 16 after the delivery of 89 bulls Dec. 2. Scott Sell, area livestock/forage extension agent and bull test coordinator, says the bulls look good. Cool, moist weather has kept spring grazing just right.

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. It capitalizes 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.

Senior bulls qualifying for the test were

born Nov. 1, 2013-Jan. 31, 2014. Junior bulls were born Feb. 1-March 31, 2014.

High-ADG and high-indexing senior Angus—Lot 44; owner: Burton Family Farms, Westminster, S.C.; sire: Burton FF Ideal Object Z014; ADG: 3.81 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 2.38 lb.; WDA ratio: 100; wt.: 1,150 lb.: index: 6.19

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 54; owner: Fox Run Farm, Sam Daniel, Oxford, N.C.; sire: Rito 2V8 2536 1407; ADG: 2.86 lb.; ADG ratio: 97; WDA: 2.79 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,430 lb.: index: 5.64

High-ADG and high-indexing junior Angus-Lot 7; owner: Clemson Un.-Edisto, Blackville, S.C.; sire: Thomas Top Hand 0536; ADG: 3.74 lb.; ADG ratio: 141; WDA: 2.48 lb.; WDA ratio: 101; wt.: 1,080 lb.; index: 6.23

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 52; owner: Fox Run Farm; sire: Rito 2V8 2536 1407; ADG: 3.05 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 2.79 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,145 lb.; index: 5.84

Angus senior averages (22 head)—ADG: 2.93 lb.; WDA: 2.37 lb.; wt.: 1,190 lb.

Angus junior averages (24 head)—ADG:

2.66 lb.; WDA: 2.47 lb.; wt.: 1,090 lb.

Overall averages (60 head)—ADG: 2.81 lb.; WDA: 2.41 lb.; wt.: 1,112 lb.

168-day final report (May 31) High-ADG and high-indexing senior

Angus-Lot 33; owner: Lindy Sheppard Farm, Sylvania, Ga.; sire: SAV Brunswick 1100; ADG: 3.16 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 2.59 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,405 lb.; index: 5.75

High-WDA senior Angus-Lot 54; owner: Fox Run Farm, Oxford, N.C.; sire: Rito 2V8 2536 1407; ADG: 2.41 lb.; ADG ratio: 91; WDA: 2.65 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,435 lb.; index: 5.06

High-ADG and high-indexing junior Angus-Lot 7; owner: Clemson Un.-Edisto, Blackville, S.C.; sire: Thomas Top Hand 0536; ADG: 3.30 lb.; ADG ratio: 134; WDA: 2.40 lb.; WDA ratio: 100; wt.: 1,110 lb.; index: 5.70

High-WDA (tie) junior Angus-Lot 38; owner: Primus Genetics, Leonard Fussell, Millers Creek, N.C.; sire: Deer Valley All In; ADG: 2.59 lb.; ADG ratio: 105; WDA: 2.62 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; wt.: 1,245 lb.; index: 5.20

High-WDA (tie) junior Angus-Lot 37; owner: Primus Genetics; sire: Coleman Charlo 0256; ADG: 2.65 lb.; ADG ratio: 108; WDA: 2.61 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; wt.: 1,195 lb.; index: 5.26

Angus senior averages (22 head)—ADG: 2.65 lb.; WDA: 2.31 lb.; wt.: 1,224 lb.

Angus junior averages (21 head)—ADG: 2.46 lb.; WDA: 2.40 lb.; wt.: 1,095 lb.

Overall averages (60 head)-ADG: 2.58 lb.; WDA: 2.35 lb.; wt.: 1,152 lb.

The sale is scheduled for Oct. 10.

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IBEP Summer Test Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind. 28-day report (June 14)

The 75th Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Summer Test entry deadline was April 4, with bulls and get-of-sire groups delivered April 26 for the 2016 test. The test started May 17. A total mixed ration (TMR) composed of 55% corn silage, 22% corn grain, 20% dried distillers' grains with solubles (DDGS) and 3% balancer is being fed.

Bulls eligible for the test were born May 1-Oct. 31, 2015. Interim weigh dates were scheduled for July 19 and Aug. 16. The bulls will be weighed off test Sept. 19.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 11; owner: Jerry Ford, Bedford, Ind.; sire: Driftwood Husker 839-93A; ADG: 6.07 lb.; ADG ratio: 145; WDA: 3.32 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,330 lb.; test index: 130

High-WDA Angus—Lot 231; owner: Kiata Farms, Hamilton, Ohio; sire: Deer Valley All In; ADG: 4.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 3.97 lb.; WDA ratio: 129; wt.: 936 lb.; index: 119

Angus averages (61 head)—ADG: 4.19 lb.; WDA: 3.08 lb.; wt.: 920 lb.

Overall averages (81 head)—ADG: 3.98 lb.; WDA: 3.08 lb.; wt.: 913 lb.

Bulls will sell Oct. 15 in the 75th IBEP Bull

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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