



# Performance Report

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

## ▣ Edisto Research & Education Center, Blackville, S.C.

### 168-day final report (June 6)

The 2017 Edisto Forage Bull Test (EFBT) began Dec. 20 in Blackville after the delivery of 54 bulls Dec. 6, 2016. Senior bulls were born Nov. 1, 2015-Jan. 31, 2016. Junior bulls were born Feb. 1-March 31, 2016.

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. Established in 1982 with the commercial cow-calf producer in mind, it capitalizes on the Southeast's advantage in growing 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.

**High-ADG, high-WDA and high-indexing senior Angus**—Lot 41; owner: Mull Meadow Angus, Pendleton, S.C.; sire: SAV Recharge 3436; ADG: 3.62 lb.; WDA: 2.76 lb.; wt.: 1,375 lb.; test index: 6.38

**High-ADG and high-indexing (tie) junior Angus**—Lot 50; owner: Clemson EREC, Blackville, S.C.; sire: Yon Upward A713; ADG: 3.49 lb.; WDA: 2.57 lb.; wt.: 1,210 lb.; test index: 6.07

**High-WDA and high-indexing (tie) junior Angus**—Lot 45; owner: Primus Genetics, Millers Creek, N.C.; sire: Primus Upward 1338; ADG: 3.17 lb.; WDA: 2.90 lb.; wt.: 1,285 lb.; index: 6.07

**Overall averages (51 head)**—ADG: 2.88 lb.; WDA: 2.40 lb.; wt.: 1,192 lb.

The sale is scheduled for Oct. 14.

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## ▣ IBEP Summer Test Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind.

### 28-day report (June 20)

The 75th Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Summer Test entry deadline was April 10, with bulls and get-of-sire groups delivered May 2 for the 2017 test. The test started May 23. 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

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.

were born May 1-Oct. 31, 2016.

**High-ADG and high-indexing Angus**—Lot 16; owner: Oval Ridge Farm, Marshall, Ill.; sire: SAV Resource 1441; ADG: 6.86 lb.; ADG ratio: 163; WDA: 3.50 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 974 lb.; test index: 143

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 4; owner: Hanlin Farms, Pennville, Ind.; sire: EXAR Denver 2002B; ADG: 4.96 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; WDA: 3.95 lb.; WDA ratio: 129; wt.: 1,055 lb.; index: 122

**Angus averages (51 head)**—ADG: 4.21 lb.; WDA: 3.07 lb.; wt.: 900 lb.

**Overall averages (68 head)**—ADG: 4.14 lb.; WDA: 3.09 lb.; wt.: 910 lb.

Interim weigh dates were scheduled for July 25 and Aug. 22. The bulls will be weighed off test Sept. 19. Qualifying bulls will sell Oct. 21 in the 76th IBEP Bull Sale and Springville Feeder Auction Association Bred Heifer Sale.

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## ▣ Virginia BCIA tests announced

The Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement

Association (BCIA) has announced the schedule and sale dates for the Culpeper senior and Southwest junior and senior bull tests for 2017-2018.

Culpeper entry forms were due June 15, with the Southwest intention cards due in the BCIA office by June 30. The Culpeper test is conducted at Glenmary Farm, Tom and Kim Nixon, owners/managers, Rapidan. A new requirement for this year is genomic testing for enhanced expected progeny differences (EPDs) for all Culpeper bulls. The Culpeper test is a 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2016. The test was scheduled to begin July 11, with interim weights to be taken Sept. 5 and Oct. 3. The bulls are to be weighed off test Oct. 31. The Culpeper test sale is scheduled for Dec. 9 at Glenmary Farm.

The Southwest junior and senior bulls will be tested simultaneously at Mountain Spring Farm, Brian and Kayla Umberger, owners/managers, Wytheville. Senior bulls are to be born Sept. 1-Dec. 31, 2016. Eligible bulls for the junior test were born Jan. 1-March 31, 2017. The entry deadline for the Southwest test is Sept. 5, with delivery accepted Oct. 3. The test will begin Oct. 24, with interim weights to be taken Dec. 19, 2017, and Jan. 16, 2018. Off-test weights are scheduled for Feb. 13, 2018. The

Southwest sale will be March 24, 2018, at Mountain Spring Farm.

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