

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

IBEP Summer Test Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind. 91-day report (Aug. 18)

The 74th Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Summer Test entry deadline was April 6, with bulls and get-of-sire groups delivered April 28 for the 2015 test. The test started May 19. 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, 2014. The bulls were to be weighed off test Sept. 21.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 192; owner: Kiata Farms, Hamilton, Ohio; sire: Connealy Confidence 0100; ADG: 5.67 lb.; ADG ratio: 144; WDA: 4.04 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,340 lb.; test index: 136

High-WDA Angus—Lot 230; owner: Groennert Angus Farm, Nashville, Ill.; sire: SydGen CC&7; ADG: 4.23 lb.; ADG ratio: 107; WDA: 4.15 lb.; WDA ratio: 127; wt.: 1,450 lb.; test index: 116

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus sire group—three bulls; owners: Brown Family Farms, Rockville, Ind., and Kiata Farms; sire: Deer Valley All In; avg. ADG: 4.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 105; avg. WDA: 3.50 lb.; WDA ratio: 107; avg. wt.: 1,220 lb.; test index: 106

High-WDA Angus sire group—three bulls; owner: Hanlin Farms, Pennville, Ind.; sire: Copper Crk Lutron 1218; avg. ADG: 3.33 lb.; ADG ratio: 85; avg. WDA: 3.56 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; avg. wt.: 1,418 lb.; test index: 95

Angus averages (69 head)—ADG: 3.94 lb.; WDA: 3.26 lb.; wt.: 1,167 lb.

Overall averages (95 head)—ADG: 3.84 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,150 lb.

Bulls will sell Oct. 17 in the 74th IBEP Bull Sale and Springville Feeder Auction Association Bred Heifer Sale.

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Calhoun Bull Evaluation Northwest Georgia Research and Education Center, Calhoun, Ga. 28-day report (Aug. 18)

The 46th Calhoun Bull Evaluation Program began June 29-30 with the delivery of 179 bulls representing nine breeds. The average on-test weight for the 88 Angus bulls was 845 lb., with overall on-test weights at 866 lb. Eligible bulls were born Sept. 1-Nov. 30, 2014. The next weigh dates were to be Sept. 15 and Oct. 13, with off-test weights scheduled for Nov. 10-11. The sale is set for Dec. 4.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 46; owner: Emilan Angus Farm, Lanny Benson, Lafayette, Ga.; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 5.61 lb.; ADG ratio: 176; WDA: 3.09 lb.; WDA ratio: 101; wt.: 1,030 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 58; owner: Meldon Farm, Melvin Porter, Jefferson, Ga.; sire: Connealy Final Product; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 157; WDA: 3.84 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,030 lb.

Angus averages (88 head)—ADG: 3.19 lb.; WDA: 3.06 lb.; wt.: 934 lb.

Overall averages (178 head)—ADG: 3.08 lb.; WDA: 3.05 lb.; wt.: 952 lb.

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Virginia BCIA Culpeper Sr. on-test report

The Culpeper Sr. Bull Test began July 14 with starting weights taken on 91 bulls. The average on-test weight for all bulls was 900 lb. There are 75 Angus bulls on test. The test is a 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30,



2014. Interim weights were to be collected Sept. 9 and Oct. 7, with final weights to be taken Nov. 3-4. The test sale is scheduled to be Dec. 13 at Glenmary Farm, Rapidan, Va.

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2016 Clemson Bull Test begins

Eighty bulls were delivered to the 2016 Clemson Bull Test at the Clemson Beef Cattle Farm near Pendleton Aug. 6. Purebred breeders from four states consigned bulls (South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee and Georgia). There are 49 senior Angus bulls and 13 junior Angus bulls on test. Matthew Burns, extension animal scientist and Clemson Bull Test coordinator, says the weather has been hot, but the health of the bulls has been excellent.

The bulls were weighed on test Aug. 19-20 following a 14-day warm-up period. Their average on-test weight was 942 lb. Interim weights are scheduled for Sept. 17, Oct. 15 and Nov. 12. Off-test weights were to be taken Dec. 10. The sale is scheduled for Feb. 6, 2016.

For additional information contact Burns at burns5@clemson.edu or at 864-940-2428 (cell) or Gary Burns, Clemson University Beef Farm manager and Clemson Bull Test manager at gburns@clemson.edu or at 864-617-3402 (cell). Information is also available on the test website at www.clemson.edu/ extension/livestock/beef/bulltests-cubt/.

Waynesville Bull Test on-test report

A total of 60 bulls, 47 of them Angus, were weighed on test Aug. 11 for the Waynesville BCIP Bull Test with an average on-test weight of 971 lb. The 112-day test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2014. Nominations were due July 8, with bulls accepted for delivery July 29. Interim weights are scheduled for collection Oct. 6 and Nov. 3. Bulls will be weighed off test Dec. 1, 2015. The test sale will be Jan. 9, 2016, at the WNC Regional Livestock Center, Canton, N.C.

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Cal Poly Bull Test San Luis Obispo, Calif. 100-day final report (Aug. 21)

Bulls arrived May 1-2 to go on test for the annual Cal Poly Bull Test. The test is for bulls born between Aug. 1 and Oct. 31, 2014. All bulls must be registered and must be tested negative for persistently infected bovine viral diarrhea (PI-BVD). All Angus and composite bulls that are potential carriers of AM, NH or any other genetic defect by ancestors must be tested prior to sale. No carrier animals will be eligible to sell. Angus bulls are tested in low-birth-weight (BW), multi-trait and general divisions.

The test, which has space for 300 bulls, is a 100-day test. Bulls are fed a high-roughage ration to gain a targeted 3-pound (lb.) average daily gain (ADG). The sale is scheduled for Oct. 4.

High-ADG and high-indexing low-BW Angus—Lot 130; owner: C2-It Cattle Co., Brentwood; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 4.63 lb.; ADG ratio: 125; WDA: 3.70 lb.; wt.: 1,403 lb.; test index: 120

High-WDA low-BW Angus (tie)—Lot 145; owner: Diablo Valley Angus, Byron; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 4.32 lb.; ADG ratio: 117; WDA: 3.72 lb.; wt.: 1,398 lb.; test index: 115

High-WDA low-BW Angus (tie)—Lot 149; owner: Diablo Valley Angus; sire: Baldridge Waylon W34; ADG: 4.09 lb.; ADG ratio: 111; WDA: 3.72 lb.; wt.: 1,250 lb.; test index: 112

High-ADG and high-indexing multi-trait Angus-Lot 128; owner: C2-It Cattle Co.; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 4.49 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; WDA: 3.71 lb.; wt.: 1,420 lb.; test index: 115

High-WDA multi-trait Angus—Lot 138; owner: Diablo Valley Angus; sire: AAR Ten X 7008 SA; ADG: 4.25 lb.; ADG ratio: 111; WDA: 4.01 lb.; wt.: 1,308 lb.; test index: 114

High-ADG, high-WDA and high-indexing Angus—Lot 82; owner: California Polytechnic Institute (Cal Poly), San Luis Obispo; sire: SAV 004 Density 4336; ADG: 4.80 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.90 lb.; wt.: 1,308 lb.; test index: 120

Angus low-BW averages (59 head)—ADG: 3.70 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.

Angus multi-trait averages (19 head)-ADG: 3.82 lb.; WDA: 3.37 lb.

Angus averages (10 head)—ADG: 3.78 lb.; WDA: 3.42 lb.

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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.

Connors State College announces tests

The Connors State College All Breeds Bull Test has announced 112-day fall and spring bull tests for 2015-2016. Entries were due for the fall test June 5, 2015, with delivery accepted July 6-10. The fall test officially began July 23, with interim weigh dates of Sept. 17 and Oct. 15 planned. Bulls will be weighed off test Nov. 12, with the test sale scheduled for Dec. 3, 2015.

The spring test entries are due Oct. 30, 2015, with delivery accepted Dec. 5. The test will begin Dec. 10, with interim weigh dates

scheduled for Feb. 4 and March 3, 2016. Bulls in the spring test will be weighed off test March 31, with the spring sale scheduled for April 14, 2016.

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www.connors.cc.ok.us/agriculture.