

Performance Report

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

■ 2016 Clemson Bull Test Clemson, S.C.

28-day report (Sept. 17)

Seventy-nine 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 48 senior Angus bulls and 13 junior Angus bulls on test. Matthew Burns, extension animal scientist and Clemson Bull Test coordinator, says the health of the bulls has been excellent.

The bulls were weighed on test Aug. 19-20 following a 14-day warm-up period. Interim weights were scheduled for Oct. 15 and Nov. 12. Off-test weights are to be taken Dec. 10.

High-ADG, high-WDA and high-indexing senior Angus—Lot 16; owner: Chimney Top Angus, Steve Johnston, Johnson City, Tenn.; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 8.13 lb.; ADG ratio: 179; WDA: 3.67 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,385 lb.; test index: 11.80

High-ADG and high-indexing junior Angus—Lot 25; owner: Hi-Son's Farm, Gavin Hammett, Salem, S.C.; sire: Yon Freightliner 777; ADG: 5.96 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 2.96 lb.; WDA ratio: 94; wt.: 826 lb.; test index: 8.92

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 12; owner: Williams Angus, George Williams, Gray, Tenn.; sire: GAR Prophet; ADG: 4.68 lb.; ADG ratio: 109; WDA: 3.61 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,105 lb.; test index: 8.29

Senior Angus averages (48 head)—ADG: 4.54 lb.; WDA: 3.09 lb.; wt.: 1,100 lb.

Junior Angus averages (13 head)—ADG: 4.30 lb.; WDA: 3.15 lb.; wt.: 936 lb.

Overall averages (79 head)—ADG: 4.26 lb.; WDA: 3.09 lb.; wt.: 1,048 lb.

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/.

■ IBEP Summer Test Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind. 105-day final report (Sept. 21)

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.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 192; owner: Kiata Farms, Hamilton, Ohio; sire: Connealy Confidence 0100; ADG: 4.89 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.92 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,435 lb.; test index: 128

High-WDA Angus—Lot 230; owner: Groennert Angus Farm, Nashville, Ill.; sire: SydGen CC&7; ADG: 3.84 lb.; ADG ratio: 104; WDA: 4.03 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,545 lb.; test index: 112

High-ADG Angus sire group—three bulls; owner: Kiata Farms; sire: Deer Valley All In; avg. ADG: 3.45 lb.; avg. WDA: 3.09 lb.; avg. wt.: 1,142 lb.; test index: 95

High-WDA and high-indexing Angus sire group—three bulls; owners: Kiata Farms and Brown Family Farms, Rockville; sire: Deer Valley All In; avg. ADG: 3.24 lb.; avg. WDA: 3.48 lb.; avg. wt.: 1,330 lb.; test index: 106

Angus averages (69 head)—ADG: 3.68 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,269 lb.

Overall averages (95 head)—ADG: 3.59 lb.; WDA: 3.22 lb.; wt.: 1,250 lb.

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

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▶ Florida Bull TestMarianna, Fla.28-day report (Sept. 16)

The North Florida Research and Education Center (NFREC) Bull Test in Marianna, Fla., has reported 28-day test results. Bulls were accepted for delivery July 28 with on-test weights taken Aug. 18 and 19. The test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Dec. 31, 2014. 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 is a grain and forage-based diet formulated to target 3.5 lb. of gain per day, with ad libitum access to hay, adequate for allowing expression of growth potential and development without overconditioning the bulls.

Interim weights are scheduled for Oct. 13-14 and Nov. 11. Final weights will be taken Dec. 8-9, and the test sale will be Jan. 16, 2016.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 1418; owner: Windy Hill Angus Farm, Boaz, Ala.; sire: SAV 707 Rito 9969; ADG: 4.64 lb.; WDA: 2.96 lb.; wt.: 1,135 lb.; test index: 127

High-WDA and high-indexing Angus—Lot 1427; owner: John Moon Angus, Tallassee, Ala.; ADG: 4.55 lb.; WDA: 3.43 lb.; wt.: 1,195 lb.; test index: 133

Best Angus RFI—Lot 1328; owner: Williams Angus Farm, Newton, Ala.; ADG: 2.96 lb.; wt.: 1,020 lb.; RFI: -1.71; test index: 96

Overall averages—ADG: 3.18 lb.; WDA: 2.83 lb.; wt.: 969 lb.

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.

■ Virginia BCIA Culpeper Senior Bull Test Rapidan, Va.

56-day report (Sept. 8)

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 were 75 Angus bulls weighed on test. The test is a 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2014. Interim weights were to be collected 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.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 58; owner: Legacy at Pine Hill, Anne Jones and Steve Jones, Forest; sire: Benfield Substance 8506; ADG: 5.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 140; WDA: 3.53 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,310 lb.

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High-WDA Angus—Lot 17; owner: Silver Creek Angus, John Prekker, Danville; sire: Werner War Party 2417; ADG: 4.11 lb.; ADG ratio: 101; WDA: 3.69 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1.300 lb.

Angus averages (74 head)—ADG: 4.08 lb.; WDA: 3.11 lb.; wt.: 1,125 lb.

Overall averages (88 head)—ADG: 4.09 lb.; WDA: 3.15 lb.; wt.: 1,135 lb.

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■ Calhoun Bull Evaluation **Northwest Georgia Research and Education** Center, Calhoun, Ga. 56-day report (Sept. 15)

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 date was scheduled for Oct. 13, with off-test weights to be taken Nov. 10-11. The sale is set for Dec. 4.

High-ADG Angus-Lot 77; owner: Brownlee Mtn. Farms, Russ Holbert, Adairsville, Ga.; sire: Deer Valley All In; ADG: 5.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 149; WDA: 2.99 lb.; WDA ratio: 95; wt.: 1.090 lb.

High-WDA (tie) Angus—Lot 58; owner: Meldon Farm, Melvin Porter, Jefferson, Ga.; sire: Connealy Final Product; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.95 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,170 lb.

High-WDA (tie) Angus—Lot 55; owner: Oakdale Farm, Bill Watters, Rome, Ga.; and Gabe Parker, Barnesville, Ga.; sire: Plattemere Weigh Up K360; ADG: 4.41 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.95 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,185 lb.

Angus averages (87 head)—ADG: 3.71 lb.; WDA: 3.15 lb.; wt.: 1,052 lb.

Overall averages (174 head)—ADG: 3.62 lb.; WDA: 3.15 lb.; wt.: 1,072 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.

■ Butner BCIP Bull Test Bahama, N.C.

56-day report (Sept. 22)

The Butner BCIP Bull Test reports 91 bulls were weighed on test July 28 with an average on-test weight of 905 lb. The 112-day test is for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 15, 2014, and has 74 Angus bulls on test. Bulls were delivered to the test station July 15.

High-ADG Angus-Lot 51; owner: Smith Creek Angus Farm, Marty and Lynne Rooker, Warrenton, N.C.; sire: Kessler's Frontman R001; ADG: 6.48 lb.; ADG ratio: 164; WDA: 3.53 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,284 lb.; frame: 6.0

High-WDA Angus-Lot 26; owner: Chimney Top Angus, Steve Johnston, Johnson City, Tenn.; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 4.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 3.63 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,380 lb.; frame: 7.3

Angus averages (70 head)—ADG: 3.96 lb.; WDA: 3.07 lb.; wt.: 1,139 lb.

Overall averages (87 head)—ADG: 3.80 lb.; WDA: 3.03 lb.; wt.: 1,119 lb.

Interim weights were to be collected Oct. 20. Final weights will be taken Nov. 16-17. The test sale will be in December at the Granville County Livestock Arena, Oxford, N.C.

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■ Minnesota Beef Cattle Improvement Ass'n (MBCIA) announces 2015-2016 test

The 2015-2016 MBCIA bull test will take place in Spring Grove, Minn. Foundation Feeders Inc. has hosted the MBCIA Bull Test since 1999. The bulls will be fed a highprotein total TMR ration that will enhance rumen stretch, ADG and fertility. Bulls eligible for the 133-day test must have been born between Jan. 1-May 15, 2015.

Application forms for the test were due Oct. 10, 2015, with delivery accepted Oct. 31. After a 14-day warm-up period, bulls will be weighed to start the test Nov. 13-14. The 56-day weight is scheduled for Jan. 4, 2016, and the 105-day weight will be taken Feb. 18.

Off-test weights are scheduled for March 17, with the sale March 29.

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Iowa Cattlemen's Ass'n (ICA) announces tests

The Iowa Cattlemen's Association (ICA) has announced its 2015-2016 bull tests. Reservations for the bull tests were due Sept. 15. Bulls eligible for the 112-day Bloomfield test at the Van Meter Feedyard must have been born Jan. 1-March 31, 2015, and were to be delivered Oct. 12. Bulls eligible for the Bloomfield 117-day senior yearling test at Kirkwood Community College must have been born Aug. 15-Dec. 31, 2014, and delivered Oct. 8. Bulls eligible for the 112-day Dunlap Test at the Van Meter Feedyard must have been born Jan. 15-April 15, 2015, and delivered Oct. 12. Bulls eligible for the 126day Tama Bull Test must have been born March 1-May 15, 2015, and be delivered to Tama Livestock Nov. 9.

On-test date for the Bloomfield senior yearling test was Oct. 29-30, 2015, with interim weights scheduled for Dec. 27 and final weights to be taken on Feb. 23, 2016. The Bloomfield 112-day test will begin Nov. 2-3, with an interim weight taken Dec. 28 and off-test weights scheduled for Feb. 22, 2016. The Dunlap test start date is Nov. 9, with an interim weight scheduled for Dec. 28 and offtest weights to be taken Feb. 22, 2016. The Tama test is set to start Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2015, with an interim weight scheduled for Feb. 1, 2016, and off-test weights scheduled for April 5, 2016.

Sale date for the Bloomfield tests will be March 21, 2016. Sale date for the Dunlap test will be April 1, 2016, with the sale date for the Tama test scheduled for May 6.

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