



Performance Report

► Bull test reports and other performance-related items. Compiled by **Mathew Elliott**.

► Clemson Bull Test Simpson Experiment Station, Pendleton, S.C.

113-day off-test final report (Dec. 29)

The bulls weighed off test had a very strong last period, reports Larry Olson, Extension animal scientist and bull test coordinator. He reports that the bulls gained an average of 4.91 pounds (lb.) per day during the last 28 days, for an average 113-day average daily gain (ADG) of 3.98 lb. per day. Health has been excellent. Senior bulls were born Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 2009; Junior bulls were born Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 2009.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 10; owner: Hawk's Nest Ranch, Keith Hawkins, Hickory Grove, S.C.; sire: Bon-View New Design 1407; ADG: 4.74 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.22 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; wt.: 1,375 lb.; SC: 35.7 cm

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 6; owner: Black Crest Farms, William McLeod, Sumter, S.C.; sire: Sitz Onward 8337; ADG: 3.83 lb.; ADG ratio: 102; WDA: 3.46 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,528 lb.; SC: 34.1 cm

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 30; owner: Hawk's Nest Ranch; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 4.92 lb.; ADG ratio: 111; WDA: 3.55 lb.; WDA ratio: 107; wt.: 1,455 lb.; SC: 38.1 cm

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 21; owner: MPAC Angus, Marvin Zeigler, Bamberg, S.C.; sire: SAV Net Worth 4200; ADG: 4.86 lb.; ADG ratio: 110; WDA: 3.64 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,465 lb.; SC: 33.9 cm

Senior Angus averages (19 head)—ADG: 3.76 lb.; WDA: 3.14 lb.; wt.: 1,420 lb.

Junior Angus averages (12 head)—ADG: 4.43 lb.; WDA: 3.32 lb.; wt.: 1,346 lb.

Overall averages (41 head)—ADG: 3.98 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,410 lb.

The 2011 Clemson Bull Test and Heifer Sale was scheduled for Feb. 5. For more information contact Olson at 803-284-3343, ext. 231, or visit the test website at www.clemson.edu/extension/beef.

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.

► LSU 105th Bull Evaluation Test Dean Lee Research Station, Alexandria, La. 56-day report (Dec. 22)

The 105th Louisiana State University (LSU) Beef Bull Evaluation Test began Oct. 27, with 13 bulls representing three breeds and six breeders. The bulls are being group-fed in four pens. The free-choice ration consists of 42% corn, 20% oats, 20% cottonseed hulls, 8% cottonseed meal, 8% molasses and 2% vitamin/mineral premix. Interim weights will be taken at 28-day intervals.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 3; owner: Double B Cattle, Jessica Fontenot, Ville Platte, La.; sire: PVF All Payday 729; ADG: 5.79 lb.; wt.: 1,078 lb.

Angus averages (10 head)—ADG: 5.05 lb.; wt.: 1,062 lb.

Overall averages (13 head)—ADG: 4.95 lb.; wt.: 1,044 lb.

The third 28-day period was scheduled to end Jan. 19, and a progress report will be mailed out shortly thereafter. The sale is tentatively scheduled for March 5.

For more information, contact Sid DeRouen at 318-473-6589 or sderouen@agctr.lsu.edu. Livestock Testing Station information is also available on the Dean Lee Research Station website at www.lsuagcenter.com/en/our_offices/research_stations/Deanlee/Features/bull_test_station/.

► Florida Bull Test Marianna, Fla. 112-day final report (Nov. 10)

Bulls on the Florida Bull Test at Marianna went on test Aug 17.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 892; owner: Windy Hill Angus, Boaz, Ala.; ADG: 4.27 lb.; WDA: 3.15 lb.; wt.: 1,345 lb.; index ratio: 116

High-WDA Angus—Lot 916; owner: Southern Cattle Co., Marianna, Fla.; ADG: 3.86 lb.; WDA: 3.66 lb.; wt.: 1,305 lb.; index ratio: 117

High-indexing Angus—Lot 902; owner: Dove Creek, Winder, Ga.; ADG: 4.11 lb.; WDA: 3.44 lb.; wt.: 1,445 lb.; index ratio: 118

Angus averages (23 head)—ADG: 3.50 lb.; WDA: 3.06 lb.; wt.: 1,230 lb.

Qualifying bulls were eligible for sale Jan. 15. For more information contact Cliff Lamb, bull test supervisor, at 850-394-9124, ext. 106, or gclamb@ufl.edu. Test information can be found at http://nfred.ifas.ufl.edu/fl_bull_test/index.shtml.

► Western Illinois Bull Test Macomb, Ill. 56-day report (Nov. 24)

Bulls on the Western Illinois University (WIU) Bull Test at Macomb went on test Oct. 26. The test is a 112-day test. Bulls are fed to gain a targeted 4 lb. per day.

High-ADG and best F/G Angus—Lot 401; owner: Bill Washburn, Olney, Ill.; sire: HARB Pendleton 765 JH; ADG: 6.43 lb.; F/G ratio: 3.66; wt.: 1,188 lb.

The test will end Feb. 15. Interim weights will be collected every 28 days. The next report date is scheduled for Jan. 21, with off-test weights collected Feb. 14-15.

Qualifying bulls may be eligible for sale March 18. For more information contact Ken Nimrick, bull test supervisor, at ko-nimrick@

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wiu.edu. Test information can be found at www.wiu.edu/bulltest/.

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

28-day report (Dec. 14)

The 47 bulls delivered to the 2011 Edisto Forage Bull Test Monday, Nov. 15, were consigned by eight South Carolina (40 bulls) and two North Carolina (7 bulls) breeders. Due to some extreme cold and windy weather, the bulls' performance was not as high as expected, reports interim test manager Kevin Campbell. The 28-day ADG was 1.41 lb. per day. Overall health and disposition has been excellent.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 12; owner: Mull Meadow Farms, Frankie Mullikin, Pendleton, S.C.; sire: CRA Bextor 872 5205 608; ADG: 2.96 lb.; ADG ratio: 269; WDA: 2.49 lb.; WDA ratio: 94; wt.: 800 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus (tie)—Lot 6; owner: Black Crest Farms, Billy McLeod, Sumter, S.C.; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 0.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 16; WDA: 3.41 lb.; WDA ratio: 128; wt.: 1,150 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus (tie)—Lot 8; owner: Black Crest Farms; sire: Rito 6S3 of 2536 SA; ADG: 2.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 195; WDA: 3.41 lb.; WDA ratio: 128; wt.: 1,100 lb.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 21; owner: Clemson Beef Cattle Farm, Gary Burns, Clemson, S.C.; sire: BCF 959L EXT P268; ADG: 3.07 lb.; ADG ratio: 180; WDA: 2.88 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 866 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 25; owner: Fox Run Farms, Sam Daniel, Oxford, N.C.; sire: Rito 2V8 of 2536 1407; ADG: 2.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 2.90 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; wt.: 758 lb.

The third 28-day period was scheduled to end Jan. 11, and a progress report will be mailed out shortly thereafter. The sale is scheduled for Oct. 8.

If you have any questions, call Kevin Campbell, area livestock-forage agent and interim test manager, at 864-992-4611. Information is available online at www.clemson.edu/extension/livestock/livestock/beef/bull_tests/efbt.html.

▣ **St. Croix Valley Bull Test**
Mann Valley Farm

58-day report (Dec. 27, 2010)

The St. Croix Valley Bull Test is under way at the University of Wisconsin—River Falls (UWRF) Mann Valley Farm. This is a 140-day test. The bulls are fed a high-roughage ration of corn, silage, haylage, shell corn, protein, and mineral to provide a targeted ADG of 3 lb.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 17-4; owner: Strasburg Angus, Andy Strasburg, Marshall, Wis.; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 5.05 lb.; ADG ratio: 132; WDA: 3.28 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; wt.: 876 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 15-1; owner: Burr Ridge Angus, Stacy & Jodi Myers, Hillsboro, Wis.; sire: Woodhill Blend 1448-132M; ADG:

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4.97 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.71 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,050 lb.

Angus averages (53 head)—ADG: 3.82 lb.; WDA: 3.14 lb.; wt.: 880 lb.

The top two-thirds of the bulls will sell based on an index that is 75% ADG ratio and 25% WDA ratio. Progress reports are available by e-mail. The sale will be at the UWRF and is scheduled for April 16. For more information contact Don Prochnow, manager, at 715-235-5882.

▶ University of Tennessee Junior Bull Test Middle Tennessee Research & Education Center

Spring Hill, Tenn.

28-day report (Dec. 7)

The Bull Test Station is operated by the Middle Tennessee Research & Education

Center in cooperation with the Tennessee Extension.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 47; owner: Prime Angus, Burns Tenn.; sire: KCF Bennett Performer; ADG: 8.32 lb.; WDA: 3.08 lb.; wt.: 1,070 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 9; owner: Chimney Top Angus, Greeneville, Tenn.; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 7.07 lb.; WDA: 4.21 lb.; wt.: 1,420 lb.

Angus averages (63 head)—ADG: 5.67 lb.

Overall averages (66 head)—ADG: 5.67 lb.

The sale will be at the Middle Tennessee Research & Education Center and is scheduled for March 10. For more information contact Kevin Thompson at 931-486-2129 or visit <http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu/Beef/BullTestingProgram.html>.

▶ 59th Annual OPSU Bull Performance Test Goodwell, Okla.

84-day report (Jan. 1)

The beef bulls consigned to the 59th

Oklahoma Panhandle State University (OPSU) Bull Test have completed 84 days of the 112-day performance test. The bulls are fed to express maximum gain.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 4-1; owner: B&M Angus, Edmond, Okla.; sire: B&M Network 828; ADG: 5.73 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.42 lb.; WDA ratio: 98; wt.: 1,087 lb.; test index: 113

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 12-2; owner: OPSU Angus, Goodwell, Okla.; sire: GAR OAF 112 Rito 7041G; ADG: 4.61 lb.; ADG ratio: 102; WDA: 3.91 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,219 lb.; test index: 107

High-indexing junior Angus—Lot 4-2; owner: B&M Angus; sire: Spur USBP 6401; ADG: 5.36 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.89 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,251 lb.; test index: 115

High-ADG junior Angus pen—Pen 4, three bulls; owner: B&M Angus; sires: B&M Network 828 and Spur USBP 6401; avg. ADG: 5.14 lb.

High-ADG and high-indexing senior Angus—Lot 9-1; owner: Al Rutledge, Stillwater, Okla.; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 5.64 lb.; ADG ratio: 128; WDA: 3.08 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; wt.: 1,345 lb.; test index: 119

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 22-3; owner: Tim Meier, Hitchcock, Okla.; sire: Bar M New Design 5188; ADG: 4.37 lb.; ADG ratio: 99; WDA: 3.22 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,486 lb.; test index: 107

High-ADG senior Angus pen—Pen 10, three bulls; owner: OPSU Angus; sire: B&M Right Time 667; avg. ADG: 4.94 lb.

Angus averages (73 head)—ADG: 4.51 lb.; WDA: 3.22 lb.

The test index is 50% ADG and 50% WDA. The test ends Jan. 29, and the top 70 bulls will sell in the 59th Annual OPSU Bull Test Sale scheduled for Feb. 21. For more information, contact Gwen Martin at 580-349-1500 or gwen@opsu.edu.

■ **Tifton Bull Evaluation Program**
Tifton Bull Evaluation Center, Tifton, Ga.
56-day report (Dec. 14)

Performance has been excellent, and health has been good with only a few exceptions, reports Ronnie Silcox, Extension animal scientist. The bulls gained 4.62 lb. per day this period. The weight gains for the period ranged from 30 to 220 lb.; the 28-day ADG ranged from 1.07 lb. to 7.86 lb.; and the actual weights taken ranged from 832 to 1,436 lb.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 85; owner: The John B Ranch, Hope Hull, Ala.; sire: ACCC In Focus 5172; ADG: 6.30 lb.; ADG ratio: 145; WDA: 3.67 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; wt.: 1,302 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 57; owner: Gillis Angus Farm, Windell Gillis, Eastman, Ga.; sire: Sitz New Design 458N; ADG: 4.80 lb.; ADG ratio: 110; WDA: 4.02 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,436 lb.

Angus averages (61 head)—ADG: 4.36 lb.; WDA: 3.35 lb.; wt.: 1,118 lb.

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■ **Calhoun Bull Evaluation Performance Test and Sale, Calhoun, Ga., Dec. 10**



► **Lanny Benson** (right), Emilan Angus Farm, La Fayette, Ga., consigned the high-indexing Angus bull and high-indexing bull overall. The bull, Emilan Newsbreak 923, is a Nov. 2009 son of Lemmon Bamboo Newsworthy S234. He posted an average daily gain of 4.97 lb., with an adjusted yearling weight of 1,271 lb. Presenting the award is Christy Page, Georgia Angus Ass'n executive secretary.

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Overall averages (119 head)—ADG: 4.42 lb.; WDA: 3.33 lb.; wt.: 1,109 lb.

The next weigh day was scheduled for Jan. 11, and the Tifton Bull Evaluation Sale will be March 2.

The Bull Evaluation Center is open for visitors between the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. You are welcome to visit any time during these hours. If you wish to visit on the weekends, please call Mike Keeler at 229-831-5416.

The test website is www.caes.uga.edu/

commodities/animals/beef/index.html. Feel free to access the bull test and heifer reports from both the Tifton and Calhoun test stations at this site, along with information on the Georgia Beef Challenge program.

▶ Southern Illinois Bull Test Carbondale, Ill.

56-day report (Dec. 21)

Bulls on the Southern Illinois University (SIU) Bull Test at Macomb went on test Oct. 26. The test is a 112-day test. Bulls will be individually fed the Purina Impact Grower Ration using the Calan Broadbent Feeding System.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 17; owner: Eagle River Angus, Phil Ehnle, Princeville, Ill.; sire:

TC Total 410; ADG: 6.11 lb.; ADG ratio: 121; F/G: 4.09; F/G ratio: 121; wt.: 1,155 lb.

Best F/G Angus—Lot 4; owner: Kevin Washburn, Olney, Ill.; sire: Harb Pendleton 765 JH; ADG: 5.48 lb.; ADG ratio: 109; F/G: 3.86; F/G ratio: 128; wt.: 1,210 lb.

High-ADG and Best F/G Senior Angus—Lot 62; owner: Betzold Farms, Austin Betzold, Nokomis, Ill.; sire: Betzold Freedom 1207; ADG: 5.98 lb.; ADG ratio: 122; F/G: 4.85; F/G ratio: 128; wt.: 1,465 lb.

Angus averages (41 head)—ADG: 5.03 lb.; F/G: 4.94; wt.: 1,031 lb.

Senior Angus averages (3 head)—ADG: 4.89 lb.; F/G: 6.20; wt.: 1,280 lb.

Interim weight is scheduled to be taken Jan.

18, with final weights for the junior test scheduled for Feb. 15. The test index is based 30% on expected progeny difference (EPD) values, 25% on ADG, 35% on feed efficiency, 5% on ribeye area and 5% on IMF.

For more information contact George Wiedlocher, bull test supervisor, at 618-457-6689 or bullman@siu.edu. Test information can be found at <http://bulltest.siu.edu/>.

▣ **MCA/MSU Bull Test**
Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich.
49-day report (Dec. 17)

Bulls were weighed for the Michigan Cattlemen's Association/Michigan State University (MCA/MSU) Bull Test Dec. 17. The

112-day test is being conducted at Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich. The test index is based on the average percentile ranking of a bull for six EPDs, plus ADG and WDA. Thus, a lower index is more desirable.

High-ADG and high-WDA Angus—Lot 48; owner: Apple Hill Angus, John MacMaster, Harrisville, Mich.; sire: SAV Bismarck 5682; ADG: 5.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 168; WDA: 3.72 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,415 lb.

Overall averages (110 head)—ADG: 3.40 lb.; WDA: 3.08 lb.

Interim weights are scheduled to be taken Jan. 21, with final weights for the junior test scheduled for Feb. 17-18. The MCA/MSU Bull Test Sale will be March 19 at 12:30 p.m.

▣ **IBEP Winter Bull Test**
Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind.
28-day report (Dec. 14)

The test is a 125-day test. Bulls are fed a total mixed ration that is approximately 55% corn silage, 22% corn grain, 20% DDGS and 3% Balancer (dry-matter basis). The test index is 60% ADG ratio and 40% WDA ratio.

Twenty-eight-day weights were taken for the Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) 2010 Winter Test Dec. 14. There are 197 bulls and 25 get-of-sire groups on test. Bulls averaged a gain of 4.40 lb. per day. Bulls consumed an average of 21 lb. of dry matter

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per day and only three bulls were treated for poor gains (less than 2.5 lb. per day).

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 79; owner: Zeller Angus Farm, George Zeller, Noblesville, Ind.; sire: SAV Pioneer 7301; ADG: 7.29 lb.; ADG ratio: 158; WDA: 3.06 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; wt.: 1,050 lb.; test index: 134

High-WDA Angus—Lot 167; owner: Grubbs Angus, Dale Grubbs, Hillsboro, Ind.; sire: CJ Prestige 25T; ADG: 5.21 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; WDA: 3.92 lb.; WDA ratio: 127; wt.: 1,050 lb.; test index: 119

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus get-of-sire—Pen 6, three bulls; owner: Stewart Select Angus LLC, Greensburg, Ind.; sire: SydGen Mandate 6079; avg. ADG: 5.67 lb.; ADG ratio: 123; avg. WDA: 3.18 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; avg. wt.: 1,018 lb.; test index: 115

High-WDA Angus get-of-sire—Pen 19, three bulls; owner: Grubbs Angus; sire: CJ Prestige 25T; avg. ADG: 5.26 lb.; ADG ratio: 114; avg. WDA: 3.41 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; avg. wt.: 989 lb.; test index: 113

Angus averages—ADG: 4.62 lb.; WDA: 3.09 lb.; wt.: 917 lb.

Overall averages—ADG: 4.40 lb.; WDA: 3.10 lb.; wt.: 910 lb.

Interim weights are scheduled to be taken Jan. 18 and Feb. 15, with the off-test weights

scheduled March 21. There will be an open house at the test station on Thursday evening (April 7) prior to the Spring IBEP Sale scheduled for April 14.

For more information, contact Richard Huntrods, station manager, at 812-279-8554 or huntrods@purdue.edu; Terry Stewart, IBEP secretary-treasurer at 765-494-0138 or tstewart@purdue.edu; or Donna Lofgren, performance records, at dlofgren@purdue.edu. You can also visit the test website at www.ansc.purdue.edu/ibep.

▶ UBIA Bull Test

Kenison Farms & Feed Lot, Levan, Utah Mid-test report (Dec. 20)

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) Bull Test took weights at the mid-test interval Dec. 20.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 15; owner: Antimony Cattle Co., David Smith, Antimony, Utah; sire: SCC Lee Apache Chief; ADG: 4.69 lb.; ADG ratio: 137; WDA: 3.22 lb.; wt.: 1,315 lb.; sale ratio: 127

High-WDA and high-indexing junior Angus—Lot 67; owner: Kelly Crozier Angus, Neola, Utah; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 4.40 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.89 lb.; wt.: 1,541 lb.; sale ratio: 130

High-ADG and high-indexing senior Angus—Lot 313; owner: Adams Angus, Ryan Adams, Brigham City, Utah; sire: Nichols Extra K205; ADG: 4.86 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; wt.: 1,355 lb.; sale ratio: 121

Junior Angus average—ADG: 3.41 lb.; WDA: 3.16 lb.; wt.: 1,172 lb.

Junior overall average—ADG: 3.44 lb.; wt.: 1,183 lb.

Senior overall average—ADG: 3.67 lb.; wt.: 1,362 lb.

Mid-test 84-day weights were to be collected Jan. 18. Final weights are scheduled for Feb. 15. The sale will be March 19. For more information contact Kim Chapman, Utah State University Extension area animal scientist, at 435-892-0474 or kimc@ext.usu.edu; or Dale Kenison at 435-250-0090; or visit the test web site www.ubiabulls.com.

▶ Treasure Bull Test Broken O Ranch Feedlot, Simms, Mont. 60-day report (Jan. 4)

The Treasure Bull Test is a 120-day Angus test. Seventy bulls are currently on test.

High-ADG and high-WDA Jackpot Angus—Lot 14; owner: O Bar X Angus, Jim & Michelle Van Dyke, Sheridan, Mont.; sire: O Bar X Focus-493; ADG: 4.42 lb.; WDA: 3.66 lb.; wt.: 1,275 lb.

High-ADG Spring Bull—Lot 151; owner: Tailfeather Ranch, Russ Crookston, Sun River Mont.; sire: C005 Leachman Right Time 338-8522; ADG: 5.00 lb.; WDA: 3.46 lb.; wt.: 1,175 lb.

High-WDA Spring Bull—Lot 150; owner: Perry Cattle Co., Ryan Perry, Power, Mont.; sire: Double A Old Post Bardolier; ADG: 3.25 lb.; WDA: 3.67 lb.; wt.: 1,130 lb.

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High-WDA Fall Bull—Lot 202; owner: Jocko Valley Cattle, Marvin Rehbein, Arlee Mont.; sire: Summitcrest Stardom 1S54; WDA: 3.03 lb.; wt.: 1,490 lb.

Spring Angus averages—ADG: 3.53 lb.; WDA: 3.19 lb.

Fall Angus averages—WDA: 2.97 lb.

The test index is calculated by using the weaning ratio with a limit of 110, gain index and yearling index divided by three. The Jackpot index is 25% weaning ratio, 50% ADG ratio and 25% yearling ratio.

Qualifying bulls will sell April 11 at the Western Livestock Auction, Great Falls, Mont. For more information contact Russ and Barb Pepper or Jeff and Jamie Wood at 406-264-5694 or brt Angus@3rivers.net. The test web site is www.treasurebulltest.com.

▣ MBCIA Jackson Bull Test

Foundation Feeders Inc.,

Spring Grove, Minn.

56-day report (Jan. 4)

Bulls were received for the Minnesota Beef Cattle Improvement Association (MBCIA) Jackson Test Oct. 30. All bulls were revaccinated on Jan. 4, and bulls with subpar performance were pulled and examined by the Harmony Vet Clinic.

This is a 133-day test for bulls born Jan.

1-May 15, 2010. Bulls are being fed a ration of corn silage, alfalfa haylage, corn, distillers' grains, minerals and vitamins as a total mixed ration.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 23; owner: Dennis Youngerberg, Springfield, Minn.; sire: SAV Net Worth 4200; ADG: 5.33 lb.; WDA: 3.42 lb.; wt.: 1,150 lb.; index: 130

High-WDA Angus—Lot 34; owner: James Anderson, Milan, Minn.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 4.81 lb.; WDA: 3.87 lb.; wt.: 1,180 lb.; index: 129

Angus averages (50 head)—ADG: 3.61 lb.; WDA: 3.16 lb.; wt.: 964 lb.

Overall averages (72 head)—ADG: 3.60 lb.; WDA: 3.14 lb.; wt.: 972 lb.

Bulls indexing in the top 75%-80% of the entire Jackson group (all breeds) will be eligible for the MBCIA Bull Test Sale in Jackson, Minn. The test index is 50% Test ADG ratio + 50% WDA ratio. For more information, contact Ron Holty, manager, at 507-498-5839 or rkholty@springgrove.coop.

▣ Pennsylvania Bull Testing Program

Pennsylvania Furnace, Pa.

56-day report (Dec. 21)

Beef producers consigned 128 bulls to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's 2010-2011 performance bull test at the Samuel E. Hayes Jr. Livestock Evaluation Center at Pennsylvania Furnace. The winter test is a 112-day performance test for bulls born Jan. 1-April 15, 2010.

Bulls representing eight different beef breeds, including Simmental, Limousin, Angus, Hereford, Red Angus, Charolais, Lim-Flex, and Crossbred, are on test. Bulls are evaluated on rate of gain, muscling, composition of gain, (fat thickness and marbling) and breeding soundness as part of the performance bull testing program.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 311; owner: Mountain Edge Farm, Ed Dunkelberger, Centre Hall, Pa.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 6.82 lb.; ADG ratio: 141; WDA: 3.69 lb.; WDA ratio: 106; wt.: 1,138 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 231; owner: Ebony Farm, Lance & Sheila Kauf, West Sunbury, Pa.; sire: MB 2500-7103; ADG: 5.76 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 4.44 lb.; WDA ratio: 128; wt.: 1,195 lb.

Angus averages (78 head)—ADG: 4.84 lb.; WDA: 3.47 lb.; wt.: 1,028 lb.

The bulls were scheduled to be weighed Jan. 18 for an interim weight and Feb. 15 for the final report. They are available for inspection at any time. The data collected during the test will be used to qualify and rank bulls for the 37th Annual Pennsylvania Performance Tested Bull Sale, scheduled for Friday, March 25, at the Livestock Evaluation Center.

For more information about Pennsylvania's performance testing programs and sales, contact Livestock Evaluation Center Assistant Director Greg Hubbard at 814-238-2527 or

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ghubbard@state.pa.us or visit the test's website at www.livestockevaluationcenter.com/BullTesting.aspx.

▶ Iowa Angus Bull Test Midterm report

Fifty-two bulls are on test at the Iowa Angus Association Annual Bull Test. They began the 110-day test Oct. 23 and will be weighed off test Feb. 11. The test is for bulls born Jan. 1-March 31, 2010.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 7; owner: Weston Brandt, Corning, Iowa; sire: SydGen Rock 7064; ADG: 6.12 lb.; wt.: 1,395 lb.

Qualifying bulls will sell March 17 in Lamoni. For more information contact Tricia Holmes at 641-785-2315 or cholmes@iowatelecom.net, or visit the test website at www.iowaangus.org/bulltest.html.

▶ Bloomfield Spring Bull Test Van Meter Feedyard, Guthrie Center, IA Warm-up test report (Dec. 27)

Bloomfield bulls have started the 112-day performance test for bulls born Jan. 1-March 31, 2010. Bulls were delivered Oct. 11. Interim weights were to be collected Dec. 27.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 18; owner: Dennis & Jennifer Deppe, Waverly, Iowa; sire: PVF All

Payday 729; ADG: 3.93 lb.; WDA: 3.13 lb.; wt.: 853 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 33; owner: JEM Angus, John Putney, Gladbrook, Iowa; sire: CJ Prestige 25T; ADG: 1.07 lb.; WDA: 3.39 lb.; wt.: 923 lb.

Angus averages (25 head)—ADG: 1.15 lb.; WDA: 2.85 lb.; wt.: 763 lb.

For more information, contact Kellie Carolan at 515-296-2266 or kellie@iabeff.org. ICA bull test information is available for all three tests and sales on the ICA website at www.iacattlemen.org.

▶ Bloomfield Fall Bull Test Kirkwood Community College, Cedar Rapids Warm-up test report (Dec. 27)

On Monday, Oct. 7, a total of 11 bulls born between Aug. 15 and Dec. 31, 2009, were delivered to the Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for the ICA Bloomfield Fall Bull Test.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 9; owner: Witt & Son, John Witt, Arcadia, Iowa; sire: RMP Alliance 6081 05; ADG: 4.44 lb.; WDA: 2.91 lb.; wt.: 1,007 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 2; owner: Golden Chute Ranch, Walker, Iowa; sire: Moffitt Famous M603; ADG: 3.48 lb.; WDA: 3.40 lb.; wt.: 1,287 lb.

Angus averages (11 head)—ADG: 3.53 lb.; WDA: 2.98 lb.; wt.: 1,066 lb.

The fall bulls will be sold as a part of the Bloomfield sale March 21.

For more information, contact Carolan or visit the ICA website at www.iacattlemen.org.

▶ WBIA Central Test UW-Platteville Pioneer Prairie Farm On-test report (Nov. 30)

The Wisconsin Beef Improvement Association (WBIA) Central Test is a 100-day test. Representing 18 breeders, 76 Angus bulls born between Jan. 1 and April 15, 2010, were weighed on test Nov. 30. Interim weights will be collected at 35 (Jan. 4) and 65 (Feb. 3) days. The test will conclude March 10.

Qualifying bulls will sell in the WBIA Annual Performance-Selected Bull Sale April 2 at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. For more information contact John Freitag, WBIA executive director, at 608-527-5747 or wbia@tds.net; or visit the test website at www.wisconsinbeef.com.

▶ OBI Angus Test No. 102 Stillwater, Okla. 112-day final report (Dec. 11)

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 7387; owner: Pfeiffer Angus Farm, Mulhall,

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Okl.; sire: Connealy Whitman; ADG: 6.06 lb.; ADG ratio: 123; WDA: 3.80 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,470 lb.; SC: 40.5 cm; test index: 116.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 7376; owner: H&H Land & Cattle LLC, Vinita, Okla.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 5.29 lb.; ADG ratio: 107; WDA: 4.27 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,560 lb.; SC: 43.5 cm; test index: 114.

Angus averages (30 head)—ADG: 4.94 lb.; WDA: 3.53 lb.; wt.: 1,339 lb.

To qualify for the Spring 2011 All-Breeds OBI Sale, bulls must have indexed 93.7 or better, or have minimum values for adjusted yearling weights of 1,110 lb. and a cumulative ADG of 3.50 lb. The bulls must also have a minimum off-test scrotal circumference of 32 cm.

For more information contact Tim Stidham, station manager, at 405-624-1181 or okbeef@provalue.net; or Bob Kropp, Oklahoma State University professor of animal science, at 405-744-9287. The test website is www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/obi.

▣ OBI Angus Test No. 103

Stillwater, Okla.

56-day report (Dec. 10)

High ADG Angus—Lot 51; owner: Brink Angus, Frederick, Okla.; sire: Totally Tuned EXAR 71281; ADG: 7.93 lb.; wt.: 1,310 lb.

Angus averages (114 head)—ADG: 6.0 lb.; wt.: 1,060 lb.

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▣ Virginia BCIA Southwest Bull Test

Hillwinds Farm, Dublin, Va.

56-day report (Dec. 14)

The 112-day Virginia BCIA Junior Bull Test began Oct. 19. The junior test is for bulls born Jan. 1 through March 21, 2010. The senior test is for bulls born Sept. 15-Dec. 31, 2009.

High-ADG (tie) junior Angus—Lot 78; owner: Lucas Farm, Joe & Tammy Lucas, Blacksburg; sire: HARB Pendleton 765 JH; ADG: 5.80 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.32 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; wt.: 1,095 lb.

High-ADG (tie) junior Angus—Lot 89; owner: Rock Haven Farm, Reece Varney, New Market; sire: Rito 112 of 2536 Rito 616; ADG: 5.80 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 2.99 lb.; WDA ratio: 93; wt.: 945 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 59; owner: J&M Windy Acres, Mike Connatser, Maryville, Tenn.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 4.91 lb.; ADG ratio: 114; WDA: 3.92 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,300 lb.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 36; owner: Cassell Angus Farm, Jason Cassell, Independence; sire: B/R Destination 928-619; ADG: 5.80 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.06 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; wt.: 1,330 lb.

High-WDA (tie) senior Angus—Lot 10;

owner: John Wilkins, Round Hill; sire: WL JVW Huntland T529; ADG: 5.09 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 3.38 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,180 lb.

High-WDA (tie) senior Angus—Lot 7; owner: J&M Windy Acres; sire: B/R Ambush 28; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 110; WDA: 3.37 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,225 lb.

Junior Angus averages (58 head)—ADG: 4.29 lb.; WDA: 3.23 lb.; wt.: 988 lb.

Junior overall averages (104 head)—ADG: 4.03 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.; wt.: 973 lb.

Senior Angus averages (41 head)—ADG: 4.56 lb.; WDA: 2.99 lb.; wt.: 1,193 lb.

Senior overall averages (70 head)—ADG: 4.25 lb.; WDA: 2.97 lb.; wt.: 1,193 lb.

The bulls were scheduled to be weighed Jan. 11 for their 84-day weight and Feb. 7-8 for the final off-test weight. Bulls that qualify are eligible to sell in the test sale scheduled for March 26.

For more information contact Scott Greiner, Extension beef specialist, at 540-231-9159 or sgreiner@vt.edu; or Tim Sutphin, owner/manager, Hillwinds Farm, at 540-980-5848. The test website is <http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu>.

