



Performance Report

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

LSU 105th Bull Evaluation Test

Dean Lee Research Station,
Alexandria, La.

84-day report (Jan. 19)

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: 5.50 lb.; wt.: 1,194 lb.

Angus averages (10 head)—ADG: 4.75 lb.; wt.: 1,178 lb.

Overall averages (13 head)—ADG: 4.62 lb.; wt.: 1,156 lb.

The final 28-day period was scheduled to end Feb. 16, and a progress report will be mailed out shortly thereafter.

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/.

Western Illinois Bull Test Macomb, Ill.

84-day report (Jan. 18)

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 Angus—Lot 401; owner: Bill Washburn, Olney, Ill.; sire: HARB Pendleton 765 JH; ADG: 5.90 lb.; F/G ratio: 4.32; wt.: 1,324 lb.

Best F/G Angus—Lot 411; owner: Bill Farm Angus, Dahinda, Ill.; sire: Gardens Prime Star; ADG: 5.26 lb.; F/G ratio: 4.09; wt.: 1,252 lb.

The test was scheduled to end Feb. 15, 2011, with off-test weights collected then.

Qualifying bulls may be eligible for sale March 18. For more information contact Ken Nimrick, bull test supervisor, at ko-nimrick@wiu.edu. Test information can be found at www.wiu.edu/bulltest/.

Edisto Forage Bull Test Blackville, S.C.

56-day report (Jan. 11)

The Edisto Forage Bull Test located at the Edisto Research & Education Center near Blackville, S.C., is a 168-day pasture-based

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The listing includes contact information, links to test websites, current test schedules and dates of upcoming tests.

test with limit-feeding of a commodity byproduct-based test ration at 1% of body weight. The test utilizes the Southeast's advantage in its ability to grow high-quality, lush forages year-round. It was designed to performance-test bulls in the environment in which bull buyers expect their progeny to perform.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 12; owner: Mull Meadow Farms, Frankie Mullikin, Pendleton, S.C.; sire: CRA Bextor 872 5205 608; ADG: 2.13 lb.; ADG ratio: 242; WDA: 2.40 lb.; WDA ratio: 95; wt.: 836 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus (tie)—Lot 6; owner: Black Crest Farms, Billy McLeod, Sumter, S.C.; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 0.36 lb.; ADG ratio: 41; WDA: 3.19 lb.; WDA ratio: 127; wt.: 1,165 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus (tie)—Lot 8; owner: Black Crest Farms; sire: Rito 6S3 of 2536 SA; ADG: 1.43 lb.; ADG ratio: 162; WDA: 3.19 lb.; WDA ratio: 127; wt.: 1,120 lb.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 20; owner: Mull Meadow Farms; sire: CRA Bextor 872 5205 608; ADG: 2.21 lb.; ADG ratio: 162; WDA: 2.37 lb.; WDA ratio: 94; wt.: 772 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 25; owner: Fox Run Farms, Sam Daniel, Oxford, N.C.; sire: Rito 2V8 of 2536 1407; ADG: 1.79 lb.; ADG ratio: 131; WDA: 2.76 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 798 lb.

The fourth 28-day period was scheduled to end Feb. 8, 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 or campbe5@clemsun.edu. Information is available online at www.clemson.edu/extension/livestock/livestock/beef/bull_tests/efbt.html.

Un. of Tennessee Junior Bull Test Spring Hill, Tenn.

56-day report (Jan. 4)

This test is an 84-day test conducted at the Middle Tennessee Research & Education Center at Spring Hill, Tenn.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 21; owner: Grassy Valley Farm, Greeneville, Tenn.; ADG: 6.73

lb.; ADG ratio: 128; WDA: 4.03 lb.; wt.: 1,265 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 30; owner: Lynn Angus, Kingston Springs, Tenn.; sire: LA Focal Point P36; ADG: 6.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 125; WDA: 4.37 lb.; wt.: 1,425 lb.

Angus averages (63 head)—ADG: 5.16 lb.

Overall averages (66 head)—ADG: 5.15 lb.

84-day final report (Feb. 1)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 21; owner: Grassy Valley Farm; sire: Woodhill Mainline S168-U25; ADG: 6.31 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 4.15 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,418 lb.; frame: 6.9; SC: 31.0 cm

High-WDA Angus—Lot 30; owner: Lynn Angus; sire: LA Focal Point P36; ADG: 5.99 lb.; ADG ratio: 121; WDA: 4.41 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,560 lb.; frame: 7.7; SC: 36.0 cm

Angus averages (62 head)—ADG: 4.95 lb.; WDA: 3.54 lb.; wt.: 1,265 lb.

Overall averages (65 head)—ADG: 4.93 lb.; WDA: 3.54 lb.; wt.: 1,268 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, David Kirkpatrick at 865-974-7294, or visit <http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu/Beef/BullTestingProgram.html>.

Tifton Bull Evaluation Program Tifton, Ga.

84-day report (Jan. 11)

The bulls are on test at the Tifton Bull Evaluation Center, Tifton, Ga.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 85; owner: The John B Ranch, Hope Hull, Ala.; sire: ACCC In Focus 5172; ADG: 6.01 lb.; ADG ratio: 142; WDA: 3.80 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,454 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 57; owner: Gillis Angus Farm, Windell Gillis, Eastman, Ga.; sire: Sitz New Design 458N; ADG: 5.42 lb.; ADG ratio: 128; WDA: 4.21 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,622 lb.

Angus averages (61 head)—ADG: 4.24 lb.; WDA: 3.40 lb.; wt.: 1,230 lb.

Overall averages (119 head)—ADG: 4.30 lb.; WDA: 3.38 lb.; wt.: 1,223 lb.

Off-test weights were to be taken Feb. 7-8,

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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. Visitors are welcome at 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. Access 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.

84-day report (Jan. 18)

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 and Best F/G Angus—Lot 4; owner: Kevin Washburn, Olney, Ill.; sire: Harb Pendleton 765 JH; ADG: 6.04 lb.; ADG ratio: 121; F/G: 3.57; F/G ratio: 143; wt.: 1,410 lb.

High-ADG and Best F/G Senior Angus—Lot 62; owner: Betzold Farms, Austin Betzold, Nokomis, Ill.; sire: Betzold Freedom 1207;

ADG: 5.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; F/G: 5.51; F/G ratio: 117; wt.: 1,583 lb.

Angus averages (41 head)—ADG: 4.98 lb.; F/G: 5.09; wt.: 1,168 lb.

Senior Angus averages (3 head)—ADG: 4.68 lb.; F/G: 6.48; wt.: 1,400 lb.

Final weights for the junior test were 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; or Rebecca Atkinson at 618-453-5000 or ratkinsn@siu.edu. Test information can be found at <http://bulltest.siu.edu/>.

▶ MCA/MSU Bull Test Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich. 84-day report (Jan. 21)

Bulls were weighed for the Michigan Cattlemen's Association/Michigan State University (MCA/MSU) Bull Test Jan. 21. 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: 5.06 lb.; ADG ratio: 144; WDA: 3.76 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,560 lb.

High-WDA Angus—(tie) Lot 19; owner: Chuck Preston, Prescott, Mich.; sire: SAV Providence 6922; ADG: 4.76 lb.; ADG ratio: 136; WDA: 3.77 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,290 lb.

High-WDA Angus—(tie) Lot 52; owner: Sumerix Angus Farm, Lachine, Mich.; sire: Sitz New Design 458N; ADG: 4.73 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.77 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,245 lb.

Overall averages (110 head)—ADG: 3.50 lb.; WDA: 3.13 lb.

Final weights for the junior test were scheduled to be taken Feb. 17-18. The MCA/MSU Bull Test Sale will be March 19 at 12:30 p.m.

For more information contact Kathleen Hawkins, executive vice president of the MCA at 517-347-8117 or micattlemen@aol.com; Dan Buskirk, performance coordinator and MSU Extension beef specialist at 517-432-0400 or buskirk@msu.edu; or Brian Plank, test manager, Plank Farms, 989-235-6253, 989-506-2061 (cell) or psf@cmsinter.net. The test website is <http://beef.msu.edu/MSUPrograms/BullTest/tabid/622/Default.aspx>.

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▶ IBEP Winter Bull Test Bedford, Ind.

63-day report (Jan. 18)

Sixty-three day weights were taken for the Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) 2010 Winter Test Jan. 18. The test is a 125-day test located at the Feldun-Purdue Ag Center at Bedford. 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.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 154; owner: Schrader Farms, Columbia City, Ind.; sire: Schrader By Design 5809; ADG: 6.33 lb.; ADG ratio: 146; WDA: 3.49 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; wt.: 1,205 lb.; test index: 131

High-WDA Angus—Lot 167; owner: Grubbs Angus, Dale Grubbs, Hillsboro, Ind.; sire: CJ Prestige 25T; ADG: 4.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 105; WDA: 3.93 lb.; WDA ratio: 123; wt.: 1,190 lb.; test index: 112

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus get-of-sire—Pen 3, three bulls; owner: Bill Washburn, Olney, Ind.; sire: TC Total 410; avg. ADG: 5.20 lb.; ADG ratio: 120; avg. WDA: 3.47 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; avg. wt.: 1,077 lb.; test index: 115

High-WDA Angus get-of-sire—Pen 19, three bulls; owner: Grubbs Angus; sire: CJ Prestige 25T; avg. ADG: 4.74 lb.; ADG ratio:

109; avg. WDA: 3.50 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; avg. wt.: 1,140 lb.; test index: 110

Angus averages—ADG: 4.34 lb.; WDA: 3.19 lb.; wt.: 1,061 lb.

Overall averages—ADG: 4.19 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.; wt.: 1,050 lb.

Interim weights were scheduled to be taken Feb. 15, with the off-test weights scheduled March 21. There will be an open house at the test station 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

Levan, Utah

84-day report (Jan. 17)

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) Bull Test is conducted at the Kenison Farms & Feed Lot at Levan, Utah.

High-ADG and high-indexing junior Angus—Lot 72; owner: Lisonbee Angus Ranch, Roosevelt, Utah; sire: SS Objective T510 0T26; ADG: 4.40 lb.; ADG ratio: 145;

WDA: 3.61 lb.; wt.: 1,180 lb.; sale ratio: 134

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 150; owner: Strawberry River Angus, Strawberry River, Utah; sire: SAV Net Worth 4200; ADG: 3.70 lb.; ADG ratio: 122; WDA: 3.79 lb.; wt.: 1,270 lb.; sale ratio: 122

High-ADG and high-indexing senior Angus—Lot 313; owner: Adams Angus, Ryan Adams, Brigham City, Utah; sire: Nichols Extra K205; ADG: 4.49 lb.; ADG ratio: 137; wt.: 1,465 lb.; sale ratio: 125

Junior Angus averages—ADG: 3.03 lb.; WDA: 3.09 lb.

Junior overall average—ADG: 3.03 lb.

Senior overall average—ADG: 3.28 lb.

Final weights were 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 website at www.ubiabulls.com.

▶ Midland Bull Test

Columbus, Mont.

First Intermediate report (Jan. 6)

The 2010-2011 Midland Bull Test has 1,080 bulls on test, comprised of 10 breeds. The top-performing bulls of each breed will sell April 6-8 at the bull test station near

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Columbus, Mont. All Angus bulls will then sell April 8.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 538; owner: 7X Ranches, Alva, Wyo.; sire: DCC New Design 5K12; ADG: 4.75 lb.; ADG ratio: 165; wt.: 1,060 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 180; owner: Flying AJ Ranch, Stevensville, Mont.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 3.98 lb.; WDA: 3.84 lb.; wt.: 1,305 lb.

High-ADG Angus Sire Group—Lots 535, 537, 538; owner: 7X Ranches; sire: DCC New Design 5K12; avg. ADG: 4.35 lb.

High-WDA Angus Sire Group—Lots 234, 235, 236; owner: Bluegrass Angus Farm, Lyons, Neb.; sire: BT Right Time 24; avg. WDA: 3.57 lb.

Angus averages (580 head)—ADG: 3.03 lb.; WDA: 3.13 lb.

Qualifying Angus bulls are scheduled to sell at the Midland Bull Test Sale April 8. For more information contact Steve and Lindsey Williams at 406-322-5597 or bulls@midlandbulltest.com. Information is available on the test website at www.midlandbulltest.com.

▣ Kansas Bull Test No. 70

H.M. Schmitt Inc., Tipton, Kan.

56-day report (Jan. 5)

There are 75 Angus bulls among the 290 bulls on test at the Kansas Bull Test.

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 144; owner: R Bar W Ranch, Wanda Guess, Mayetta, Kan.; sire: SydGen CC&7; ADG: 7.6 lb.; ADG ratio: 173; WDA: 3.2 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,162 lb.; test index: 142

High-WDA Angus—Lot 87; owner: Kile Cattle, Steve Kile, Nelson, Neb.; sire: Sankey's Lazer 609 of 6N; ADG: 4.9 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 4.2 lb.; WDA ratio: 145; wt.: 1,180 lb.; test index: 129

Angus averages (75 head)—ADG: 4.4 lb.; WDA: 2.9 lb.; wt.: 944 lb.

Overall averages (200 head)—ADG: 3.9 lb.; WDA: 3.2 lb.; wt.: 973 lb.

Bulls are always available for viewing at the feedyard. Potential buyers can view the bulls at their leisure. Please call H.M. Schmitt Inc. prior to your visit so Harry and Doug can accommodate you properly.

The final weigh date and official test ending will be March 2. The Kansas Bull Test Sale will be at the Mitchell County Fairgrounds, Beloit, Kan., April 6. For more information contact Doug or Lori Schmitt at 785-373-4824 (farm) or e-mail at hmschmitt@wilsoncom.us. Reports are available on the test website at www.kansasbulltest.com.

▣ WBIA Central Test

Platteville, Wis.

35-day report (Jan. 5)

The Wisconsin Beef Improvement Association (WBIA) Central Test is a 100-day test for bulls born Jan. 1-April 15, 2010. It is

conducted at the University of Wisconsin (UW) Platteville Pioneer Prairie Farm near Platteville, Wis.

High-ADG Angus (tie)—Lot 90; owner: Hilleman Angus, Richland Center, Wis.; sire: TC Franklin 619; ADG: 5.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.74 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,040 lb.

High-ADG Angus (tie)—Lot 83; owner: TJS Angus, Tom Steinhaus, Wisconsin Dells, Wis.; sire: Woodhill Bolster U65; ADG: 5.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.34 lb.; WDA ratio: 101; wt.: 1,020 lb.

High-ADG Angus (tie)—Lot 71; owner: Wolters Farm Inc., Cuba City, Wis.; sire: WF Emperor 828; ADG: 5.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.67 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,100 lb.

High-ADG Angus (tie)—Lot 79; owner: Wolters Farm Inc.; sire: WF Majesty 802; ADG: 5.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.90 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,280 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 64; owner: Afolkey Springs Farm, Charles Wimmer, Dakota, Ill.; sire: B/R Future Direction 548; ADG: 4.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 108; WDA: 3.91 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,270 lb.

65-day report (Feb. 3)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 71; owner: Wolters Farm Inc.; sire: WF Emperor 828; ADG: 5.77 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.88 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,280 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 79; owner: Wolters Farm Inc.; sire: WF Majesty 802; ADG: 5.46 lb.; ADG ratio: 122; WDA: 4.02 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 1,440 lb.

Angus averages (78 head)—ADG: 3.77 lb.; WDA: 3.42 lb.

The test will conclude March 10. Qualifying bulls will sell in the WBIA Annual Performance-Selected Bull Sale April 2 at the UW-Platteville Pioneer Prairie Farm.

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.

▣ Pennsylvania Bull Testing Program

Pennsylvania Furnace, Pa.

84-day report (Jan. 18)

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, 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: 6.21 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.80 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,278 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 231; owner: Ebony Farm, Lance & Sheila Kauf, West Sunbury, Pa.; sire: MB 2500-7103; ADG: 5.48 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 4.49 lb.; WDA ratio: 127; wt.: 1,333 lb.

Angus averages (78 head)—ADG: 4.59 lb.; WDA: 3.53 lb.; wt.: 1,143 lb.

The bulls were scheduled to be weighed 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 ghubbard@state.pa.us, or visit the test's website at www.livestockevaluationcenter.com/BullTesting.aspx.

▣ OBI Angus Test No. 103

Stillwater, Okla.

84-day report (Jan. 7)

Oklahoma Beef Inc. (OBI) is the second-largest central test station in the United States, testing approximately 700 bulls each year and merchandising 300 of them through two all-breed performance-tested bull sales, one hosted in March, the other in October. OBI conducts five Angus bull tests each year. Test 103 is for bulls born January-February 2010. These bulls went on test Oct. 15. Bulls are fed on self-feeders with a maximum of 10 bulls per pen.

High ADG Angus—Lot 51; owner: Brink Angus, Frederick, Okla.; sire: Totally Tuned EXAR 71281; ADG: 6.60 lb.; wt.: 1,420 lb.

Angus averages (110 head)—ADG: 5.09 lb.; wt.: 1,167 lb.

112-day final report (Feb. 4)

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 38; owner: Pfeiffer Angus Farm, Mulhall, Okla.; sire: Stevenson Moneymaker R185; ADG: 6.63 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.97 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,355 lb.; test index: 123; SC: 36.0

High-WDA Angus—Lot 7398; owner: Carol Smith, Claremore, Okla.; sire: B/R Ambush 28; ADG: 6.11 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 4.15 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,545 lb.; test index: 121; SC: 34.0

Angus averages (109 head)—ADG: 4.92 lb.; WDA: 3.50 lb.; wt.: 1,290 lb.

Bulls in Test 103 are eligible for the March 24 bull sale. To qualify for the sale, bulls must complete testing with an index ranking in the top 70% of their contemporary group and pass a breeding soundness exam. The Angus test index is 50% of the final ADG ratio + 50% of the adjusted 365-day weight ratio.

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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. 104 Stillwater, Okla.

56-day report (Jan. 12)

High ADG Angus—Lot 151; owner: Carol Smith, Claremore, Okla.; sire: BCC Bushwacker 41-93; ADG: 7.04 lb.; wt.: 1,015 lb.

Angus averages (45 head)—ADG: 4.55 lb.; wt.: 962 lb.

For more information contact Stidham or Kropp, or visit the test website at www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/obi.

▶ Virginia BCIA Southwest Bull Test Hillwinds Farm, Dublin, Va.

84-day report (Jan. 11)

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

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 78; owner: Lucas Farm, Joe & Timmy Lucas, Blacksburg; sire: HARB Pendleton 765 JH; ADG: 5.12 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.35 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; wt.: 1,200 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 59; owner: J&M Windy Acres, Mike Connatser, Maryville, Tenn.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 4.17 lb.; ADG ratio: 108; WDA: 3.82 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,375 lb.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 28; owner: Legacy at Pine Hill Farm, Anne & Charles Cardwell and Steve Jones, Forest, Va.; sire: SAV Net Worth 4200; ADG: 6.01 lb.; ADG ratio: 145; WDA: 3.39 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,525 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 6; owner: J&M Windy Acres; sire: GAR New Design 50/50; ADG: 4.52 lb.; ADG ratio: 109; WDA: 3.43 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,310 lb.

Junior Angus averages (57 head)—ADG: 3.84 lb.; WDA: 3.21 lb.; wt.: 1,070 lb.

Junior overall averages (103 head)—ADG: 3.80 lb.; WDA: 3.21 lb.; wt.: 1,066 lb.

Senior Angus averages (39 head)—ADG: 4.14 lb.; WDA: 3.02 lb.; wt.: 1,286 lb.

Senior overall averages (67 head)—ADG: 3.95 lb.; WDA: 3.00 lb.; wt.: 1,286 lb.

The bulls were scheduled to be weighed 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>.

▶ North Dakota Angus Ass'n 23rd Annual Bull Test Dickinson, N.D.

57-day report (Jan. 11)

The North Dakota Angus Association's 23rd Annual Bull Test is being conducted at Ridl Farms, Dickinson, N.D.

L.J. and Janet Dohrmann of Taylor, N.D., Bull Test Committee chairmen, report that 72 bulls consigned by 28 Angus breeders are competing in a 112-day test.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 24; owner: Lee Angus, Rhame; sire: HA Image Maker; ADG:

4.75 lb.; ADG ratio: 127; WDA: 3.17 lb.; WDA ratio: 93; wt.: 1,005 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 4; owner: Thompson Angus, Kintyre; sire: SAV Pioneer 7301; ADG: 3.77 lb.; ADG ratio: 101; WDA: 3.95 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,275 lb.

Angus averages (72 head)—ADG: 3.64 lb.; WDA: 3.28 lb.; wt.: 1,065 lb.

The bulls are scheduled to be weighed off-test about March 7. This year the sale will be April 22 at Stockmen's Livestock Exchange, Dickinson, N.D. Contact L.J. or Janet

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Dohrmann, 9721 31R St. S.W., Taylor, ND 58656, or call 701-974-2187 for more information on the bull test.

WCA Bull Test

Eltopia, Wash.

80-day report (Jan. 22)

The 18th Annual Washington Cattlemen's Association (WCA) Bull Test has issued a progress report for the first 80-day test period of the 120-day feed test. The test has been moved 15 miles north of the Tri-Cities, Wash., to the Bonina Feed and Sale Facility at Eltopia, Wash. It is under the sole sponsorship of the WCA. One hundred thirty-eight bulls are being tested this year, comprised of Angus, Red Angus, Horned and Polled Herefords, Chiangus, SimAngus, and Simmentals.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 35; owner: Pioneer Angus Ranch, Hay, Wash.; sire: Basin Yellowstone R178; ADG: 5.58 lb.; WDA: 3.73 lb.; wt.: 1,366 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 66; owner: Blue Drifter Ranch, Issaquah, Wash.; sire: SAV Net Worth 4200; ADG: 4.31 lb.; WDA: 4.04 lb.; wt.: 1,280 lb.

Angus averages (90 head)—ADG: 3.60 lb.; WDA: 3.38 lb.; wt.: 1,187 lb.

The sale is scheduled for March 23, at the Bonina Feed and Sale Facility in Eltopia, Wash. The WCA Allied Industries members

will sponsor a trade show. Starting at 8 a.m. sale day, this trade show will include booths and presentations of interest to livestock producers. A complimentary tri-tip barbecue lunch will also be held at the trade show. All of these events are free, thanks to the sponsorship of the WCA Allied Industry members.

Only the top end of the bulls of each breed will be allowed to sell, based on the Test Final Station Index ($\frac{1}{2}$ ADG and $\frac{1}{2}$ adjusted yearling weight Index), structure, physical and breeding soundness evaluation. A low birth EPD section for Angus will be separated. To qualify for this division a bull must record a +2.0 BEPD or less and an actual birth weight of 85 lb. or less.

The bulls can be viewed at any time at the Bonina facility located 15 miles north of Pasco, Wash. Progress reports can be viewed on the Washington Cattlemen's Association website, www.washingtoncattlemen.org.

OPSU 59th Annual Bull Test

Goodwell, Okla.

112-day final report (Jan. 29)

The beef bulls consigned to the 59th Oklahoma Panhandle State University (OPSU) Bull Test have finished their 112-day performance test. The bulls were fed to express maximum gain.

High-ADG and high-indexing junior

Angus—Lot 4-1; owner: B&M Angus, Edmond, Okla.; sire: B&M Network 828; ADG: 5.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 131; WDA: 3.54 lb.; WDA ratio:

102; wt.: 1,226 lb.; test index: 117; frame: 6.2; pen F/G: 4.89

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 4-2; owner: B&M Angus; sire: Spur USPB 6401; ADG: 4.98 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; WDA: 3.88 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,359 lb.; test index: 115; frame: 6.8; pen F/G: 4.89

High-ADG junior Angus pen—Pen 4; three bulls; owner: B&M Angus; sires: B&M Network 828 and Spur USPB 6401; avg. ADG: 4.97 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; avg. WDA: 3.53 lb.; WDA ratio: 102; avg. wt.: 1,241 lb.; pen F/G: 4.89

High-ADG and high-indexing senior

Angus—Lot 10-1; owner: OPSU Angus, Goodwell, Okla.; sire: B&M Right Time 667; ADG: 5.36 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.12 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,501 lb.; test index: 122; frame: 6.7; pen F/G: 6.25

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 22-3; owner: Tim Meier, Hitchcock, Okla.; sire: Bar M New Design 5188; ADG: 4.22 lb.; ADG ratio: 105; WDA: 3.26 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,592 lb.; test index: 110; frame: 6.8; pen F/G: 5.48

High-ADG senior Angus pen—Pen 10; three bulls; owner: OPSU Angus; sire: B&M Right Time 667; avg. ADG: 4.70 lb.; ADG ratio: 117; avg. WDA: 3.02 lb.; WDA ratio: 107; avg. wt.: 1,444 lb.; pen F/G: 6.25

Angus averages (72 head)—ADG: 4.19 lb.; WDA: 3.22 lb.

The test index is 50% ADG and 50% WDA. The top 70 bulls were to sell in the 59th Annual OPSU Bull Test Sale scheduled for

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Feb. 21. For more information, contact Gwen Martin at 580-349-1500 or gwen@opsu.edu.

▶ Treasure Bull Test

Broken O Ranch Feedlot, Simms, Mont. 90-day report (Feb. 3)

The Treasure Bull Test is a 120-day Angus test. Seventy bulls are currently on test. The spring bull division is for bulls born Dec. 15, 2009-April 15, 2010. The fall bull division is for bulls Aug. 1-Dec. 14, 2009.

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: 4.44 lb.; WDA: 3.73 lb.; wt.: 1,410 lb.

High-ADG spring bull—Lot 151; owner: Tailfeather Ranch, Russ Crookston, Sun River, Mont.; sire: Leachman Right Time 338-8522;

ADG: 4.67 lb.; WDA: 3.50 lb.; wt.: 1,295 lb.

High-WDA spring bull—Lot 141; owner: Jocko Valley Cattle, Marvin Rehbein, Arlee, Mont.; sire: Summitcrest Stardom 1S54; ADG: 4.28 lb.; WDA: 3.89 lb.; wt.: 1,389 lb.

High-ADG spring sire group—Four bulls; owner: Tailfeather Ranch; sire: Leachman Right Time 338-8522; avg. ADG: 4.15 lb.; avg. WDA: 3.35 lb.

High-WDA fall bull—Lot 202; owner: Jocko Valley Cattle; sire: Summitcrest Stardom 1S54; WDA: 3.08 lb.; wt.: 1,605 lb.

Spring Angus averages (58 head)—ADG: 3.53 lb.; WDA: 3.23 lb.

Fall Angus average (2 head)—WDA: 3.02 lb.

The test will conclude approximately March 5. 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 brtangus@3rivers.net. The test web site is www.treasurebulltest.com.

▶ St. Croix Valley Bull Test Mann Valley Farm 84-day report (Jan. 22)

The St. Croix Valley Bull Test is being conducted 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 16-1; owner: Riek's Black Angus, Josh Riek, Wheeler, Wis.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 5.23 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.29 lb.; WDA ratio: 101; wt.: 1,100 lb.

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

132M; ADG: 4.50 lb.; ADG ratio: 111; WDA: 3.69 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,140 lb.

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 12-3; owner: Pine Hill Angus, Allan & Sandy Drinkman, Downing, Wis.; sire: Mytty In Focus; ADG: 4.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 3.68 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,175 lb.

Angus averages (21 head)—ADG: 4.06 lb.; WDA: 3.26 lb.; wt.: 999 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.

Edisto Forage Bull Test Blackville, S.C.

84-day report (Feb. 8)
Please refer to test description on page 136 with the 56-day report.

Now that the weather has moderated, the bulls are gaining at a better pace, reports Kevin Campbell.

High-ADG and high-WDA junior Angus—Lot 25; owner: Fox Run Farms, Sam Daniel, Oxford, N.C.; sire: Rito 2V8 of 2536 1407; ADG: 1.98 lb.; ADG ratio: 116; WDA: 2.73 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; wt.: 864 lb.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 12; owner: Mull Meadow Farms, Frankie Mullikin, Liberty, S.C.; sire: CRA Bextor 872 5205 608;

ADG: 2.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 158; WDA: 2.39 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 900 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 13; owner: Fox Run Farms; sire: Rito 2V8 of 2536 1407; ADG: 1.48 lb.; ADG ratio: 107; WDA: 2.41 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 908 lb.

Angus junior averages (6 head)—ADG: 1.70 lb.; WDA: 2.49 lb.; wt.: 845 lb.

Angus senior averages (7 head)—ADG: 1.38 lb.; WDA: 2.20 lb.; wt.: 866 lb.

See page 136 for sale and website information. If you have any questions, call Kevin Campbell at 864-992-4611 or campbe5@clemsun.edu.



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