



Performance Report

► Bull test reports and other performance-related items. Compiled by *Shauna Rose Hermel*.

► St. Croix Valley Bull Test Mann Valley Farm

140-day final sale report (March 19)

The St. Croix Valley Bull Test was conducted at the University of Wisconsin—River Falls (UWRF) Mann Valley Farm. The bulls were fed a high-roughage ration of corn, silage, haylage, shell corn, protein and mineral to provide a targeted ADG of 3 lb.

High-ADG and high-indexing (tie)

performance Angus—Lot 4-1; owner: 3-D Angus, Jayne & Calvin Dalton, Pardeeville, Wis.; sire: 2K Stout 527; ADG: 4.63 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.74 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,333 lb.; test index: 118

High-WDA (tie) and high-indexing (tie)

performance Angus—Lot 10-1; owner: Prairie Marsh Angus, Scott & Tom Howard, Poynette, Wis.; sire: CRA Bextor 872 5205 608; ADG: 4.60 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.81 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,263 lb.; test index: 118

High-ADG and high-indexing calving-ease

Angus—Lot 16-1; owner: Riek's Black Angus, Josh & Jeff Riek, Wheeler, Wis.; sire: SS Objective T510 0T26; ADG: 4.73 lb.; ADG ratio: 122; WDA: 3.39 lb.; WDA ratio: 103; wt.: 1,323 lb.; test index: 117

High-WDA calving-ease Angus (tie)—Lot 12-3; owner: Allan & Sandy Drinkman, Downing, Wis.; sire: Mytty In Focus; ADG: 3.83 lb.; ADG ratio: 99; WDA: 3.55 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,330 lb.; test index: 101

High-WDA calving-ease Angus (tie)—Lot 6-4; owner: Marengo Valley Angus, Mark & Barbara Jolma, Marengo, Wis.; sire: MVA Upward/2457; ADG: 4.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 103; WDA: 3.55 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,255 lb.; test index: 104

Angus averages (39 head)—ADG: 3.88 lb.; WDA: 3.30 lb.; wt.: 1,194 lb.

The top two-thirds of the bulls will sell

► Louisiana Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Lecompte, La., March 11



► Receiving awards for top-selling bulls are (from left) **Dave Means III**, Gloster, consignator of the second-highest selling senior bull and winner of the Louisiana State University Bull Test; **Huey Meyers**, Harrisonburg, consignator of the highest-selling junior bull and second-highest-selling bull overall; and **Charles Williams**, Jena, consignator of the highest-selling senior bull.

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.

based on an index that is 75% average daily gain (ADG) ratio and 25% weight per day of age (WDA) ratio. The sale was scheduled to be April 16. For more information contact Don Prochnow, manager, at 715-235-5882.

► OBI Angus Test No. 104 Stillwater, Okla.

112-day final report (March 9)

High-ADG and high-indexing Angus—Lot 146; owner: Carol Smith, Claremore, Okla.; sire: CR Envoy 7012; ADG: 6.21 lb.; ADG ratio: 142; WDA: 3.30 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; wt.: 1,210 lb.; test index: 120; SC: 33 cm

High-WDA Angus—Lot 114; owner: Brookshire Farms, Cyril, Okla.; sire: TC Total; ADG: 5.09 lb.; ADG ratio: 116; WDA: 3.88 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,448 lb.; test index: 116; SC: 39 cm

Angus averages (45 head)—ADG: 4.38 lb.; WDA: 3.33 lb.; wt.: 1,198 lb.

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. For more information visit the test website at www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/obi.

► MBCIA Jackson Bull Test Spring Grove, Minn.

133-day final sale report (March 24)

Bulls were received at Foundation Feeders

► Illinois Performance Tested Bull Sale, Springfield, Ill., Feb. 24



► Illinois Angus breeders recognized for having the top-performing bulls are (from left) **Steve Murphy**, Illiopolis, first place; **Dave Jenkins**, Springfield, second place; and **Lee Stremsterfer**, Pleasant Plains, second and third place. **Mark Wellman**, Vita-Ferm sponsor, presents the awards.

Inc. near Spring Grove, Minn., for the Minnesota Beef Cattle Improvement Association (MBCIA) Jackson Test Oct. 30, 2010. Bulls born Jan. 1-May 15, 2010, were weighed off the 133-day test March 24. Bulls were fed a ration of corn silage, alfalfa haylage, corn, distillers' grains, minerals and vitamins as a total mixed ration (TMR).

High-ADG—Lot 23; owner: Dennis Youngerberg, Springfield, Minn.; sire: SAV Net Worth 4200; ADG: 4.86 lb.; WDA: 3.66 lb.; wt.: 1,543 lb.; index: 114; SC: 41 cm

High-WDA and high-indexing Angus

Angus—Lot 34; owner: James Anderson, Milan, Minn.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 4.68 lb.; WDA: 4.03 lb.; wt.: 1,575 lb.; index: 117; SC: 36 cm

Overall averages (72 head)—ADG: 4.06 lb.; WDA: 3.40 lb.; wt.: 1,346 lb.

Bulls indexing in the top 75%-80% of the entire Jackson group (all breeds) were eligible for the MBCIA Bull Test Sale in Jackson, Minn., scheduled for April 1. 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.

► IBEP Winter Bull Test Bedford, Ind.

125-day final report (March 21)

Off-test weights were taken for the Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) 2010 Winter Test March 21. The test was a 125-day test located at the Feldun-Purdue Ag Center at Bedford. Bulls were fed a TMR that was 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 29; owner: Bill Washburn, Olney, Ind.; sire: HARB Pendleton 765 JH; ADG: 5.48 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.72 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,635 lb.; test index: 126; frame: 6.8

High-WDA Angus—Lot 1; owner: Von Leer Farm, Mitchell, Ind.; sire: WC Booger 4C16; ADG: 4.74 lb.; ADG ratio: 117; WDA: 3.85 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,305 lb.; test index: 117; frame: 6.2

High-ADG (tie), high-WDA (tie) and high-indexing get-of-sire—Pen 3, three bulls;

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owner: Bill Washburn; sire: TC Total 410; avg. ADG: 4.67 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; avg. WDA: 3.58 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; avg. wt.: 1,333 lb.; test index: 113

High-ADG (tie) get-of-sire—Pen 6, three bulls; owner: Stewart Select Angus LLC, Greensburg, Ind.; sire: SydGen Mandate 6079; avg. ADG: 4.66 lb.; ADG ratio: 114; avg. WDA: 3.45 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; avg. wt.: 1,442 lb.; test index: 111

High-WDA (tie) Angus get-of-sire—Pen 2, four bulls; owner: Bill Washburn; sire: HARB Pendleton 765 JH; avg. ADG: 4.56 lb.; ADG

ratio: 112; avg. WDA: 3.59 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; avg. wt.: 1,365 lb.; test index: 111

Angus averages—ADG: 4.07 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.; wt.: 1,296 lb.

Overall averages—ADG: 4.00 lb.; WDA: 3.29 lb.; wt.: 1,286 lb.

The bulls were scheduled to sell in the Spring IBEP Sale 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.

▶ Midland Bull Test

Columbus, Mont.

Final efficiency report

The 2010-2011 Midland Bull Test (MBT) had 1,080 bulls on test, comprised of 10 breeds. The top-performing bulls of each breed sold April 6-8 at the bull test station, Columbus, Mont. The station published an efficiency leader report providing leaders in residual feed intake (RFI) for two groups of bulls. Feed conversion ratios (FCR) are also provided. The green-tag division is for bulls with BW EPDs less than 2.1 and birth weights less than 84 lb. The white-tag division is for bulls with BW EPDs greater than 2 lb. and birth weights greater than 84 lb.

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Group 1 Angus RFI leader—Lot 90; owner: Butternut Ridge Farms, Coldwater, MI; sire: Ideal 7773 of 332 3403; RFI value: -10.3; RFI ratio: 146; FCR: 4.04; ADG: 3.86 lb.; ADG ratio: 121; WDA: 3.45 lb.; wt.: 1,383 lb.; test index: 123; SC: 38 cm

Group 2 Angus RFI leader—Lot 606; owner: JM Angus Ranch LLC, Joliet, Mont.; sire: TC Total 410; RFI value: -5.7; RFI ratio: 124; ADG: 3.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 101; WDA: 3.38 lb.; wt.: 1,238 lb.; test index: 109; SC: 38 cm

High-ADG green-tag Angus group 1—Lot

208; owner: Jaynbee Ranch, Bonners Ferry, Idaho; sire: Zap; ADG: 4.27 lb.; ADG ratio: 134; WDA: 3.34 lb.; wt.: 1,285 lb.; RFI: 1.41; test index: 111; SC: 36 cm

High-WDA green-tag Angus group 1—Lot 174; owner: Harrison Angus Ranch, Boyd, Mont.; sire: REB Freedom 1196; ADG: 3.72 lb.; ADG ratio: 117; WDA: 3.74 lb.; wt.: 1,295 lb.; RFI: -4.00; test index: 116; SC: 38 cm

High-ADG green-tag Angus group 2—Lot 538; owner: 7X Ranches, Alva, Wyo.; sire: DCC New Design 5K 12; ADG: 4.66 lb.; ADG ratio: 149; WDA: 3.35 lb.; wt.: 1,330 lb.; RFI: -3.29; test index: 122; SC: 35 cm

High-WDA green-tag Angus group 2—Lot 489; owner: Sunny Okanogan Angus, Omak,

Wash; sire: Basin Payweight 107S; ADG: 4.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.85 lb.; wt.: 1,548 lb.; RFI: 0.09; test index: 120; SC: 48 cm

High-ADG white-tag Angus group 1—Lot 332; owner: Stewart Select Angus LLC, Greensburg, Ind.; sire: B/R New Day 454; ADG: 4.31 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.53 lb.; wt.: 1,363 lb.; RFI: 3.87; test index 109; SC: 38 cm

High-WDA white-tag Angus group 1—Lot 180; owner: Flying AJ Ranch, Stevensville, Mont.; sire: SS Objective T510 0T26; ADG: 3.90 lb.; ADG ratio: 122; WDA: 3.83 lb.; wt.: 1,435 lb.; RFI: -2.98; test index: 115; SC: 39 cm

High-ADG white-tag Angus group 2—Lot

624; owner: JS Bailey Angus Ranch, Audubon, Minn.; sire: AAR Retail Product D40; ADG: 4.26 lb.; ADG ratio: 136; WDA: 3.16 lb.; wt.: 1,283 lb.; RFI: 1.42; test index: 110; SC: 36 cm

High-WDA white-tag Angus group 2—Lot 431; owner: Drysdale Farms Inc., Wabasha, Minn.; sire: Sitz Upward 307R; ADG: 4.11 lb.; ADG ratio: 131; WDA: 3.88 lb.; wt.: 1,500 lb.; RFI: 5.89; test index: 112; SC: 44 cm

High-ADG Angus sire group—Lots 616, 618, 619, 621; owner: Flat Mountain Ranch, Menahga, Minn.; sire: Flat Mountain Efficiency; avg. ADG: 4.10 lb.

High-WDA Angus sire group—Lots 616, 617, 618; owner: Flat Mountain Ranch; sire: Flat Mountain Efficiency; avg. WDA: 3.56 lb.

Angus green-tag averages—ADG: 3.18 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.

Angus white-tag averages—ADG: 3.19 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.

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.

▣ Alabama BCIA tests

The Alabama Beef Cattle Improvement Association (BCIA) will offer two bull evaluations in 2011-2012. The state sales committee and BCIA board of directors were planning to meet April 26 to finalize plans. Nomination deadlines and sale dates will be announced soon after.

The North Alabama Bull Evaluation in Cullman is managed by J&R Cattle, Tim & Stephen Donaldson. Bulls are evaluated for feed gain during an 84-day evaluation. The facilities feature a steep incline to foster physical condition.

The Wiregrass Forage-based Bull Evaluation at Elba is managed by Advanced Genetic Resources, Max Bozeman & Larry Reeves. The program evaluates bulls during a 147-day test on forage.

For more information about the North

Alabama test, contact Gerry Thompson at 256-353-8702. For more information on the Wiregrass test, contact Rickey Hudson at 334-693-2010; or contact Michelle Elmore at 205-646-0115 for either test.

▣ HCC Bull Test sets dates

The Hinds Community College (HCC) Bull Test Station announced dates for its 2011-2012 test. Bulls will arrive Oct. 4 to begin the test Oct. 18. Interim weights will be collected Nov. 14, Dec. 13 and Jan. 10, 2012. Bulls will be weighed off test Feb. 7, and qualifying bulls will sell March 1.

For more information contact Kenneth Banes, manager, at 601-260-7850; fax: 601-857-3633; or Lisa Whatley at 601-857-3351 or lwhatley@hindsgcc.edu; or visit <http://msucares.com/livestock/beef/mbcia/hindstest.html> and www.hindsgcc.edu/Departments/agriculture/Bull_Test_Station.aspx online.

