



Performance Report

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LSU Beef Bull Evaluation Test

Dean Lee Research Station,
Alexandria, La.

56-day test report (Aug. 3)

The Louisiana State University (LSU) 106th Beef Bull Evaluation began June 8 with 36 bulls representing three breeds and seven breeders. There are two additional bulls being evaluated that are not officially on test due to age restrictions. Weight gains averaged 3.44 lb. per day for the second period.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 4; owner: Carroll Boudreaux, Darnall Place Farm, New Iberia, La.; sire: SydGen CC&7; ADG: 4.80 lb.; wt.: 956 lb.

Angus averages (13 head)—ADG: 3.84 lb.; wt.: 931 lb.

Overall averages (36 head)—ADG: 3.70 lb.; wt.: 908 lb.

The bulls are being group-fed in five pens. The next scheduled interim weight was scheduled to be collected Aug. 31. Bulls will be weighed off the 112-day test Sept. 27-28. A sale date has not been announced.

For more information, contact Sid DeRouen, professor of animal science, Dean Lee Research Station, at 318-473-6589 (office), 318-548-5140 (mobile) or sderouen@agcenter.lsu.edu. Information is also available on the test website at www.lsuagcenter.com/en/our_offices/research_stations/Deanlee/Features/bull_test_station/106thBullPerformanceTest.htm.

IBEP Summer Test

Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind.
63-day report (July 26)

Fifty-nine bulls born May 1-Oct. 31, 2010, including 40 Angus and eight get-of-sire groups, were delivered May 3 to the Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind., for the 2011 Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Summer Test. On-test data were collected May 24.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 231; owner: Conner Angus, Otterbein, Ind., and TTA Farms, West Lafayette, Ind.; sire: LaGrand Easy Upgrade 4223; ADG: 4.60 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 2.55 lb.; WDA ratio: 87; wt.: 916 lb.; test index: 118

High-WDA Angus—Lot 238; owner: Kiata Farms, Hamilton, Ohio; sire: CRA Bextor 872 5205 608; ADG: 3.33 lb.; ADG ratio: 101; WDA: 3.32 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,090 lb.; test index: 106

High-indexing Angus—Lot 209; owner: Thunder Grove Angus, Marengo, Ill.; sire: SAV Mandan 5664; ADG: 4.52 lb.; ADG ratio: 137;

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

WDA: 3.09 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; wt.: 1,380 lb.; test index: 124

Angus averages (40 head)—ADG: 3.31 lb.; WDA: 2.95 lb.; wt.: 1,006 lb.

Overall averages (59 head)—ADG: 3.34 lb.; WDA: 3.02 lb.; wt.: 1,012 lb.

Another interim weight was scheduled for Aug. 23, with final weights to be taken Sept. 26. Qualifying bulls will sell Oct. 22 in the 68th IBEP Bull Sale and Springville Feeder Auction Association Bred Heifer Sale.

For more information contact Richard Huntrods, station manager, at 812-279-8554 (station), fax: 812-279-4390 or huntrods@purdue.edu; Terry Stewart, secretary-treasurer at 765-494-0138 (office), fax: 765-494-9346 or tstewart@purdue.edu; Donna Lofgren, performance records and website at 765-494-6439, fax: 765-494-9346 or dlofgren@purdue.edu. Information is also available on the test website at www.ansc.purdue.edu/ibep.

Calhoun Bull Evaluation

Northwest Georgia Research and Education Center, Calhoun, Ga.

On-test report (July 25-26)

The 42nd Calhoun Bull Evaluation Program began July 5-6 with the delivery of 158 bulls born Sept. 1-Nov. 30, 2010. They went on test July 25-26.

"The bulls have adjusted well during the warm-up period," says Ted Dyer, Extension animal scientist. "The weather has been extremely hot; however, all the bulls showed a positive weight gain during this warm-up period." Presently there are 157 bulls on test, representing 10 breeds and 44 consignors.

The 94 Angus bulls averaged 832 lb. for an average WDA of 2.95 lb., while all 157 bulls weighed on test averaged 858 lb. for an ADG of 3.03 lb.

Interim weights are scheduled for collection Aug. 23, Sept. 20 and Oct. 18. Bulls will be weighed off test Nov. 14-15. The test sale will be at 12:30 p.m. Dec. 9.

For more information contact Ted Dyer at 706-624-1403 or tgdyer@uga.edu. Information is available on the test website, www.caes.uga.edu/commodities/animals/beef/stations/index.html.

Butner BCIP Bull Test

Bahama, N.C.

On-test report (July 25-26)

The Butner BCIP Bull Test hosted by the North Carolina Beef Cattle Improvement Program (BCIP) is a 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 15, 2010. Bulls were delivered to the test station July 13 to start the test July 25-26.

The 59 Angus bulls averaged 874 lb. for a WDA of 2.90 lb., while all 66 bulls averaged 862 lb. for an average WDA of 2.92 lb.

Interim weights will be collected Sept. 20 and Oct. 18. Final weights will be taken Nov. 14-15. The test sale is scheduled for Dec. 16 at the Granville County Livestock Arena, Oxford, N.C.

For more information contact Gary Gregory at 919-515-4027, fax: 919-515-6884 or gary_gregory@ncsu.edu; or Dean Askew at 919-471-6872. Information is available on the test website, www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/animal/bcip/Ahbcip.html.

Waynesville BCIP Bull Test

Mountain Research Station,
Waynesville, N.C.

On-test report (Aug. 8-9)

The Waynesville BCIP Bull Test is a 112-day test for bulls born Aug. 15-Nov. 30, 2010. Bulls were accepted July 27. Thirty-eight Angus bulls averaged 834 lb. for an average WDA of 2.87 lb. as they went on test Aug. 8-9. Overall, 41 bulls averaged 839 lb. for an average WDA of 2.87 lb.

Interim weights are scheduled for collection Oct. 4 and Nov. 1. Bulls will be weighed off test Nov. 28-29. The test sale will be Jan. 7, 2012, at the Haywood County Agricultural Office Building, Waynesville, N.C.

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