



# Performance Report

► Bull test reports and other performance-related items

## WBIA Central Test Platteville, Wis.

### 35-day report (Jan. 8)

Bulls went on test at the Wisconsin Beef Improvement Association (WBIA) Central Test in November 2006.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 101; owner: Hermann Wolters, Wolters Farm Inc., Cuba City, Wis.; sire: GT Shear Force; ADG: 6.43 lb.; ADG ratio: 140; WDA: 3.67 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; wt.: 1,170 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 111; owner: Brock Gill, Gill Farms, Apple River, Ill.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 5.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 4.23 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,230 lb.

**Angus averages (65 head)**—ADG: 4.61 lb.; WDA: 3.37 lb.

Bulls were scheduled to be weighed off test in March and to be sold April 7. For more

information contact John Freitag, WBIA executive director, at (608) 527-5747 or [wbia@tds.net](mailto:wbia@tds.net), or visit the test web site at [www.wisconsinbeef.com/wbia/home.htm](http://www.wisconsinbeef.com/wbia/home.htm).

## University of Tennessee Bull Test Spring Hill, Tenn.

### Junior 84-day report (Dec. 22, 2006)

Bulls on the University of Tennessee Bull Test at Spring Hill went on test Aug. 8, 2006. Bulls were born Dec. 16, 2005-March 15, 2006.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 29; owner: Hutton Farm, Gray; sire: Kahn Broadband RA 94L; ADG: 5.48 lb.; ADG ratio: 134; WDA: 3.43 lb.; wt.: 1,185 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 76; owner: University of Tennessee, Knoxville; sire: UT MR 1214; ADG: 4.87 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.91 lb.; wt.: 1,235 lb.

**Angus averages (73 head)**—ADG: 4.08 lb.  
**Overall averages (75 head)**—ADG: 4.09 lb.

For more information contact David Kirkpatrick, professor of animal science, at (865) 974-7294 or [fkirkpat@utk.edu](mailto:fkirkpat@utk.edu), or visit the test web site at <http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu/beef/bulltest.htm>.

## Southeast Colorado Bull Test Holly

### 36-day report (Dec. 27, 2006)

There are 52 bulls in the 33rd Annual Southeast Colorado Bull Test. Breeds represented include Angus, Brangus, Salers, Polled Hereford, and Composite or Crossbred who have a predominance of one breed but are not eligible for registry in a breed association.

The bulls are being fed a moderate-energy growing ration designed to develop them for use as yearlings. This ration allows the bulls to express their genetic potential for feedlot traits, but is not designed for maximum gain.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 248; owner: Anetta's Angus-Raybon, Springfield; sire: McPherson's G 5228; ADG: 4.94 lb.; ADG ratio: 142; WDA: 2.42 lb.; WDA ratio: 98; wt.: 822 lb.; F:G: 5.59:1

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 233; owner: Taylor Livestock, Karval; sire: Connealy Dateline; ADG: 2.72 lb.; ADG ratio: 78; WDA: 2.82 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 994 lb.; F:G 6.32:1

**High-ADG Angus sire group**—Pen 8; owner: Anetta's Angus-Raybon, Springfield; sire: Anetta Baca Star Brody 2; avg. ADG: 3.94 lb.; avg. WDA: 2.50 lb.; avg. wt.: 788 lb.

**High-WDA Angus sire group (3 head)**—Lots 231-233; owner: Taylor Livestock, Karval; sire: Connealy Dateline; avg. ADG: 3.29 lb.; avg. WDA: 2.77 lb.; avg. wt.: 911 lb.

**Angus averages (34 head)**—ADG: 3.48 lb.; WDA: 2.47 lb.; wt.: 806 lb.

**Overall averages (52 head)**—ADG: 3.55 lb.; WDA: 2.57 lb.; wt.: 850 lb.

The second weigh day was scheduled for Feb. 6 at the 77-day mark. The 112-day test will conclude when the bulls are weighed off test March 13. Bulls will undergo a breeding soundness exam (sometimes referred to as a BSE), and ultrasound scanning. All bulls entered in the test have been certified negative for persistent infection (PI) with bovine viral diarrhea (BVD).

The performance-testing program is conducted with the cooperation of Trail City Livestock, the Southeast Colorado Bull Test Association, and Colorado State University

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(CSU) Cooperative Extension. Data sheets may be obtained by contacting the Kiowa County Extension office at (719) 438-5321 or online at <http://kiowacounty.colostate.edu>.

The sale is scheduled for April 10 at noon Mountain time at the Winter Livestock Commission Co., La Junta, Colo. For more information contact Bruce Fickensher, Colorado State University Extension/Southeast area, at (719) 438-5321 or [kiowa@coop.ext.colostate.edu](mailto:kiowa@coop.ext.colostate.edu), or visit the test web site at <http://kiowacounty.colostate.edu>.

#### ▣ **LSU Beef Bull Evaluation Test Alexandria, La.**

##### **84-day report (Jan. 17)**

The 97th Louisiana State University (LSU) Beef Bull Evaluation Test began Oct. 25, 2006, with 53 bulls representing five breeds and 14 breeders. Thirty-eight bulls are Angus. The cattle are being group-fed in 10 pens. Weights will be taken at 28-day intervals for the 112-day test. Several bulls have been treated for coccidiosis. All bulls were treated with Cydectin® Oct. 25.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 4; owner: Carroll Boudreaux, Darnall Place Farm, New Iberia, La.; sire: CA Future Direction 5321; ADG: 5.31 lb.; wt.: 1,138 lb.

**Angus averages (38 head)**—ADG: 4.12 lb.; wt.: 1,066 lb.

**Overall averages (53 head)**—ADG: 4.01 lb.; wt.: 1,066 lb.

Bulls were to be weighed off test Feb. 14, 2007, and qualifying bulls are scheduled to sell March 3 at noon at the new Dean Lee Research Station Showbarn on Highway 71 South at Alexandria. For more information, contact Danny Coombs, professor at the LSU Dean Lee Research Station, Alexandria, at (318) 473-6528 or [dcoombs@agctr.lsu.edu](mailto:dcoombs@agctr.lsu.edu). Information is also available on the test web site, [www.lsuagcenter.com/en/our\\_offices/research\\_stations/Deanlee/Features/bull\\_test\\_station/](http://www.lsuagcenter.com/en/our_offices/research_stations/Deanlee/Features/bull_test_station/).

#### ▣ **IBEP Winter Test Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind. 63-day report (Jan. 23)**

Bulls went on test for the Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) 2006 Winter Test Nov. 21, 2006. The index formula is 60% average daily gain (ADG) ratio, plus 40% weight per day of age (WDA) ratio.

**High-ADG and high-indexing Angus**—Lot 29; owner: Stewart Select Angus LLC, Greensburg, Ind.; sire: GAR Retail Product;

#### **NCBTA announces keynote speaker for 31st annual sale**

The Northeast Colorado Bull Test Association (NCBTA) announced that Mark Enns will be the keynote speaker for the organization's 31st annual bull sale. The sale is scheduled for Saturday, March 31.

Enns is an assistant professor of animal sciences at Colorado State University. His research focuses on methods to genetically evaluate and select animals that fit their production environment both biologically and economically. These efforts include development of new methods for evaluating and improving cow and heifer fertility, cow maintenance requirements, time to finish in the feedlot, and development of methods to better use economic information in selection decisions for increased profitability of beef production.

"It's important we utilize and recognize the value of all the tools available in making breeding stock selections," Dave Colburn, Logan County Extension educator, said, "and Dr. Enns will be an excellent speaker to discuss these tools."

For more information, contact Dave Colburn at (970) 522-3200, ext. 283, or visit the test web site at [www.ncbta.net](http://www.ncbta.net).

ADG: 5.63 lb.; ADG ratio: 151; WDA: 3.55 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,365 lb.; test index: 135

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 162; owner: Kiata Farms Inc., Hamilton, Ohio; sire: Bon-View New Design 208; ADG: 3.94 lb.; ADG ratio: 106; WDA: 3.89 lb.; WDA ratio: 122; wt.: 1,220 lb.; test index: 112

**Angus averages (170 head)**—ADG: 3.73 lb.; WDA: 3.18 lb.; wt.: 1,079 lb.

The sale is scheduled for April 19, 2007, at the Springville Feeder Auction in Springville, Ind., and video sites. For more information contact Kern Hendrix at (765) 494-4832, or Richard Huntrods at (812) 279-8554, or visit the test web site at [www.ansc.purdue.edu/ibep/](http://www.ansc.purdue.edu/ibep/).

#### ▣ **Midland Bull Test Columbus, Mont. 60-day report (Jan. 2)**

The 45th Annual Midland Bull Test is offering 709 Angus, 196 Red Angus, 99 South Devon, 94 Salers, 61 Gelbvieh, 33 Charolais, 10 Simmental, six Shorthorn, two Braunvieh, two Maine Anjou, one Murray Grey and one Limousin for sale.

The bulls are being fed a ration that is more than 80% roughage, with the grain including whole oats.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 280; owner: Spear Farm Angus, Indianola, Iowa; sire: Baldrige Nebraska 901; ADG: 4.95 lb.; WDA: 3.50 lb.; wt.: 1,120 lb.

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**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 307; owner: Bluegrass Angus, Lyons, Neb.; sire: Connealy Freightliner; ADG: 4.03 lb.; WDA: 4.03 lb.; wt.: 1,385 lb.

**Angus averages (709 head)**—ADG: 3.32 lb.; WDA: 3.16 lb.

All bulls will have been ultrasound scanned, semen tested, have a Range Ready™ Guarantee, tested PI-negative for BVD, and screened for soundness. Bulls will be delivered free of charge within 400 miles. Mileage beyond that can be arranged.

Angus bulls sell April 6. For more information contact Leo and Sam McDonnell at (406) 322-5597 or [bulltest@wtp.net](mailto:bulltest@wtp.net), or visit the test web site at [www.midlandbulltest.com](http://www.midlandbulltest.com).

### ■ Pennsylvania Performance Bull Testing Program

#### Pennsylvania Furnace, Pa. 84-day report (Jan. 23)

Bulls born between Jan. 1 and April 15, 2006, went on test for the Pennsylvania Performance Bull Testing Program Oct. 31. Producers from Pennsylvania, Maryland, New York, West Virginia and New Jersey have 138 bulls participating in the 112-day performance-testing program. Seven breeds are participating in this year's program, with Angus representing more than 60% of the bulls. Included are 89 Angus, 21 Simmental, 10 Red Angus, eight Hereford, six Charolais, three Limousin and one Gelbvieh.

Bulls are fed in group pens with access to a mixed ration of corn silage; cracked corn; cracked, roasted soybeans; and a mineral-vitamin supplement.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 65; owner: Gary Seefeldt, Port Allegany; sire: GAR Grid Maker; ADG: 6.25 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.81 lb.; WDA ratio: 106; wt.: 1,422 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 76; owner: John and Jo Ann Hausner, Dover; sire: Vermilion Dateline 7078; ADG: 5.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 116; WDA: 4.17 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,369 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 112; owner: Michael Griffith, Pipestem, W.Va.; sire: SBP New Design 4028; ADG: 5.53 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 4.16 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,199 lb.

**Angus averages (87 head)**—ADG: 4.79 lb.; WDA: 3.58 lb.; wt.: 1,191 lb.

The bulls are evaluated, compared and indexed on ADG, WDA, feed efficiency, ribeye area and fat deposition. The data collected during the test will be used to rank bulls for the 34th Annual Pennsylvania Performance-Tested Bull Sale that is scheduled for Friday, March 30, 2007, at the Livestock Evaluation Center. The sale is in conjunction with the 2007 Pennsylvania Beef Expo.

For more information contact Glenn Eberly, director, Pennsylvania Livestock Evaluation Center, at (814) 238-2527 or [geberly@state.pa.us](mailto:geberly@state.pa.us), or visit the test web site at [www.agriculture.state.pa.us/lec](http://www.agriculture.state.pa.us/lec).

### ■ OPSU Bull Test

#### Goodwell, Okla.

#### 112-day final report (Jan. 27)

The annual Beef Bull Performance Test at Oklahoma Panhandle State University (OPSU), Goodwell, Okla., has finished, with the bulls weighed off test Jan. 27. This was the test station's 55th annual test. The bulls consigned to the test this year were officially weighed on test Oct. 7, 2006. There were 122 bulls consigned this year, representing three breeds — Angus, Red Angus and Simmental — and 17 cooperators from Oklahoma and Nebraska.

The test covered a period of 112 days, during which data was collected on each

bull's ADG, WDA, frame score, scrotal circumference, fat thickness, ribeye area, marbling score and semen test. Feed efficiency was measured on a pen basis. The bulls were fed a growing ration consisting of rolled corn, rolled oats, chopped alfalfa, cottonseed hulls, molasses and protein supplement.

**High-ADG junior Angus**—Lot 17-4; owner: Phil Light, Turpin; sire: N-Bar Prime Time D806; ADG: 5.33 lb.; ADG ratio: 138; WDA: 3.85 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,382 lb.; test index: 125

**High-WDA and high-indexing junior Angus**—Lot 26-1; owner: Larry Weinkauff, Orlando; sire: Circle S 598 Bando 1037; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 4.35 lb.; WDA ratio: 127; wt.: 1,353 lb.; test index: 128

**High-ADG and high-indexing senior Angus**—Lot 12-4; owner: Al Rutledge, Stillwater; sire: CA Future Direction 5321; ADG: 6.02 lb.; ADG ratio: 163; WDA: 3.55 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,684 lb.; test index: 139

**High-WDA senior Angus (tie)**—Lot 7-1; owner: Bob Chaffin, Davis; sire: MA 7074 of 9358 Ext; ADG: 4.92 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.70 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,452 lb.; test index: 127

**High-WDA senior Angus (tie)**—Lot 14-1; owner: Leroy Mindemann, Apache; sire: Empirette 17L95; ADG: 5.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 139; WDA: 3.70 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,516 lb.; test index: 130

**Angus averages**—ADG: 3.79 lb.; WDA: 3.28 lb.

The 55th annual bull sale was scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 28, at 1 p.m. Central time. Only the top 70 bulls, based on index, were scheduled to sell. If you would like more information, contact Gwen or Jerry Martin, OPSU, PO Box 430, Goodwell, OK



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73939; call (580) 349-1500; or e-mail [gwen@opsu.edu](mailto:gwen@opsu.edu).

### ▣ Tucumcari Bull Test Tucumcari, N.M. 56-day report (Jan. 2)

The Tucumcari Bull Test at Tucumcari, N.M., is for bulls born January-April 2006.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 3-2; owner: J-C Ranch, John and Cathy Heckendorn, Moriarty, N.M.; sire: Bon-View New Design 1407; ADG: 6.07 lb.; ADG ratio: 137; WDA: 2.93 lb.; WDA ratio: 92; wt.: 1,080 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 31-1; owner: Hartzog Angus Cattle, Roy and Trudy Hartzog, Farwell, Texas; sire: EXAR 1112; ADG: 5.49 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 3.90 lb.; WDA ratio: 122; wt.: 1,170 lb.

**Angus averages (28 head)**—ADG: 4.74 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,020 lb.

**Overall averages (70 head)**—ADG: 4.16 lb.; WDA: 3.01 lb.; wt.: 890 lb.

Weights were to be taken again Jan. 30, and bulls were to be weighed off test Feb. 26-27. The Performance Tested and Consignors Offering Bull and Heifer Sale is scheduled for March 16.

For more information contact Manny Encinias, Extension beef cattle specialist, at (505) 374-2566 or [mencinia@nmsu.edu](mailto:mencinia@nmsu.edu).

### ▣ North Dakota Angus Bull Test Ridl Farms, Dickinson, N.D. 56-day report

The North Dakota Angus Association's 19th Annual Bull Test is at Ridl Farms, Dickinson, N.D. This year the sale will be April 23 at the Stockmen's Livestock Exchange, Dickinson, N.D. In addition to the bull test sale, the North Dakota Angus Association will again be sponsoring a pen heifer calf sale.

L.J. and Janet Dohrmann of Taylor, N.D., Bull Test Committee Chairmen, report that 104 bulls consigned by 41 Angus breeders are competing in a 112-day test.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 56; owner: Farview Angus Ranch, Regent; sire: Woodhill Foresight; ADG: 5.57 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 76; owner: Carlson Angus, Regent; sire: Hoff Yukon 9304 172; WDA: 4.09 lb.

**Angus averages (104 head)**—ADG: 4.2 lb.; WDA: 3.35 lb.; wt.: 1,077 lb.

Contact L.J. or Janet Dohrmann at 9721 31R St. S.W., Taylor, ND 58656 or (701) 974-2187 for more information on the bull test or the heifer sale.

### ▣ Northeast Colorado Bull Test Akron, Colo. 80-day report (Jan. 18)

Bulls are at the 80-day mark of the 120-day Northeast Colorado Bull Test Association (NCBTA) bull test.

The NCBTA kicked off its 31st annual

performance test receiving 107 bulls from 29 seedstock producers — a strong showing representing three states and six breeds. The 2006-2007 test features 74 Angus, 10 Red Angus, six Hereford, one Charolais, nine Simmental and seven Balancer bulls. All bulls tested PI-negative for BVD.

**High-ADG and high-indexing calving-ease Angus**—Lot 18; owner: Klein Angus, Wheatland, Wyo.; sire: 7 Z Real Windy 3701; ADG: 4.72 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.24 lb.; WDA ratio: 102; wt.: 1,168 lb.; test index: 115

**High-WDA calving-ease Angus**—Lot 24; owner: Netherton Angus, Alex Netherton, Las Animas, Colo.; sire: LAR 112 Rito 471; ADG: 3.86 lb.; ADG ratio: 105; WDA: 3.61 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,113 lb.; test index: 109

**High-ADG and high-indexing (tie) Angus**—Lot 90; owner: Randal Oliver and Gloria Toyne, Sedgwick; sire: Connealy Freightliner; ADG: 4.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 120; WDA: 3.50 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; wt.: 1,120 lb.; test index: 114

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 71; owner: Dale Angus, Akron, Colo.; sire: Boyd New Day 8005; ADG: 3.73 lb.; ADG ratio: 108; WDA: 3.77 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,294 lb.; test index: 113

**High-indexing Angus (tie)**—Lot 58; owner: Dale Angus; sire: Boyd New Day 8005; ADG: 3.94 lb.; ADG ratio: 114; WDA:

3.66 lb.; WDA ratio: 114; wt.: 1,269 lb.; test index: 114

**Angus calving-ease averages (30 head)**—ADG: 3.66 lb.; WDA: 3.18 lb.; wt.: 1,064 lb.

**Angus averages (44 head)**—ADG: 3.44 lb.; WDA: 3.22 lb.; wt.: 1,090 lb.

**Overall averages (107 head)**—ADG: 3.46 lb.; WDA: 3.19 lb.; wt.: 1,066 lb.

The bulls were to be weighed off test Feb. 26-27. ADG and WDA ratios are calculated for each bull and averaged to calculate a test index. All bulls are compared within their own division. Only bulls indexing at 95% or better will qualify for the sale. In addition to ADG and WDA, NCBTA provides individual ultrasound data on all bulls to assist cattlemen in their selections. NCBTA is expecting 50-plus bulls to qualify for the 31st annual performance sale, which will be Saturday, March 31.

Visitors are always welcome and encouraged to view the bulls at the test site, which is located between Atwood and Akron, Colo., on Colorado Highway 63.

For more information or a more detailed copy of the test results, contact Dave Colburn at (970) 522-3200, ext. 283, or write NCBTA, 508 S. 10th Ave, Ste. #1, Sterling, CO 80751. You can also visit the test web site at [www.ncbta.net](http://www.ncbta.net) to view a copy of the weight reports.

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**▶ Clemson Bull Test  
Pendleton, S.C.****114-day off-test report (Jan. 3-4)**

The Clemson Bull Test conducted at the Beef Unit of the Simpson Experiment Station near Pendleton, S.C., is a corn silage-based bull test program. This service and educational program is co-sponsored by Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service, SC Agricultural & Forestry Research System and Department of Animal & Veterinary Sciences, and the South Carolina Cattlemen's Association.

The current test was for senior bulls born Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 2005, and junior bulls born Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 2005.

**High-ADG senior Angus**—Lot 31; owner: Shuffler Farm, Gene Shuffler, Union Grove, N.C.; sire: Millcreek Diversity; ADG: 5.13 lb.; ADG ratio: 131; WDA: 3.42 lb.; WDA ratio: 111; wt.: 1,653 lb.

**High-WDA senior Angus**—Lot 11; owner: River Hill Farm, Stephanie Clark, Fountain Inn, S.C.; sire: SVF Bandolier; ADG: 5.02 lb.; ADG ratio: 128; WDA: 3.71 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,730 lb.

**High-ADG junior Angus**—Lot 33; owner: Trax Cattle, Chuck Traxler, Saint George, S.C.; sire: VDAR Legend 1281; ADG: 4.35 lb.; ADG ratio: 114; WDA: 3.53 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,368 lb.

**High-WDA junior Angus**—Lot 41; owner: Stillwater Cattle Co.; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 3.96 lb.; ADG ratio: 104; WDA: 3.62 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,345 lb.

**Senior Angus averages (29 head)**—ADG: 3.92 lb.; WDA: 3.10 lb.; wt.: 1,438 lb.

**Junior Angus averages (18 head)**—ADG: 3.82 lb.; WDA: 3.15 lb.; wt.: 1,255 lb.

**Overall averages (81 head)**—ADG: 3.76 lb.; WDA: 3.12 lb.; wt.: 1,361 lb.

The sale date was set for Feb. 3, 2007. For more information contact Larry Olson, Extension animal scientist and bull testing program coordinator, at (803) 284-3343, ext. 231, or lolson@clemson.edu; or visit the test web site at [www.clemson.edu/edisto/cubt/cubt.htm](http://www.clemson.edu/edisto/cubt/cubt.htm).

**▶ OBI Angus Test No. 63  
Stillwater, Okla.****84-day report (Jan. 12)**

The Oklahoma Beef Inc. (OBI) test index is a sum of half the ADG ratio and half the adjusted 365-day weight ratio.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 7370; owner: Jason Hardy, Woodward, Okla.; sire: Twin Valley Precision E161; ADG: 6.98 lb.; ADG ratio: 148; WDA: 3.58 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,255 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 7287; owner: Clay Creek Corral, Cherokee, Okla.; sire: EXAR Dateline 2899; ADG: 6.89 lb.; ADG ratio: 146; WDA: 4.23 lb.; WDA ratio: 128; wt.: 1,430 lb.

**Angus averages (270 head)**—ADG: 4.73 lb.; WDA: 3.31 lb.; wt.: 1,132 lb.

OBI tests approximately 700 bulls each year and merchandises 300 of them through two all-breed sales conducted in March and October. To qualify for the sales, bulls must perform in the top 70% of their contemporary group and pass a breeding soundness exam. The October sale also features a select group of heifers consigned by OBI clients.

All bulls are tested according to the procedures recommended by the Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) *Guidelines for Uniform Beef Improvement Programs*.

For more information contact Tim Stidham, station director, at (405) 624-1181 or okbeef@ionet.net, or visit the test web site at [www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/obi](http://www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/obi).

**▶ Virginia BCIA Bull Test  
Culpeper, Va.****56-day junior report (Jan. 16)**

Junior bulls went on test at the Virginia BCIA Bull Test Nov. 21, 2006.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 214; owner: Echo Ridge Farm, C.W. Pratt, Atkins; sire: GAR Retail Product; ADG: 5.00 lb.; ADG ratio: 141; WDA: 3.09 lb.; WDA ratio: 105; wt.: 1,015 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 207; owner: Waddle Angus Farms, Wayne Waddle, Saltville; sire: B/R New Frontier 095; ADG: 4.38 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 3.65 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,105 lb.

**Angus averages (98 head)**—ADG: 3.54 lb.; WDA: 2.93 lb.; wt.: 977 lb.

**Overall averages (106 head)**—ADG: 3.53 lb.; WDA: 2.92 lb.; wt.: 971 lb.

Bulls are scheduled to be weighed off test March 13, 2007, and to sell April 6. For more information contact Scott Greiner, Extension beef specialist, at (540) 231-9159 or [sgreiner@vt.edu](mailto:sgreiner@vt.edu), or visit the test web site at <http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu>.

**▶ Southwest Virginia BCIA Bull Test  
Blacksburg, Va.****84-day report (Jan. 9)**

Bulls were weighed on test for the Southwest Virginia BCIA Bull Test at Blacksburg Oct. 17, 2006. The test is managed by the Virginia Tech Department of Animal and Poultry Science.

**High-ADG junior Angus**—Lot 117; owner: Legacy Farm, Anne and Charles Cardwell, Forest; sire: Connealy Lead On; ADG: 5.95 lb.; ADG ratio: 143; WDA: 3.73 lb.; WDA ratio: 107; wt.: 1,390 lb.

**High-WDA junior Angus**—Lot 133; owner: Cassell Angus Farm, Jason Cassell, Independence; sire: Rito 2V1 of 2536 1407; ADG: 5.48 lb.; ADG ratio: 132; WDA: 4.16 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,415 lb.

**High-ADG senior Angus**—Lot 4; owner: Justafew Angus, Ann Rambo, Max Meadows; sire: Connealy Lead On; ADG: 5.89 lb.; ADG ratio: 138; WDA: 3.43 lb.; WDA ratio: 107; wt.: 1,300 lb.

**High-WDA senior Angus**—Lot 17; owner: Echo Ridge Farm, C.W. Pratt, Atkins; sire: Rito 335 of 028 ND878; ADG: 4.82 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; WDA: 4.01 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,780 lb.

**Junior Angus averages (81 head)**—ADG: 4.15 lb.; WDA: 3.47 lb.; wt.: 1,137 lb.

**Junior Overall averages (127 head)**—ADG: 4.11 lb.; WDA: 3.45 lb.; wt.: 1,135 lb.

**Senior Angus averages (68 head)**—ADG: 4.26 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.; wt.: 1,369 lb.

**Senior Overall averages (87 head)**—ADG: 4.24 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,381 lb.

Senior bulls were scheduled to be weighed off test Feb. 6, 2007; junior bulls were scheduled to be weighed off test Feb. 27. The sale for both senior and junior bulls is scheduled for March 24.

For more information contact Scott Greiner, Extension beef specialist, at (540) 231-9159 or [sgreiner@vt.edu](mailto:sgreiner@vt.edu), or visit the test web site at <http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu>.

**▶ St. Croix Valley Bull Test  
Menomonie, Wis.****84-day report (Feb. 3)**

Bulls went on test at the St. Croix Valley Bull Test in Menomonie, Wis., Nov. 11, 2006.

**High-ADG and high-indexing Angus**—Lot 2-1; owner: Rick and Susan Case, Ontario, Wis.; ADG: 4.20 lb.; ADG ratio: 123; WDA:

**Bull sale, Pennsylvania Beef Expo**

The Pennsylvania Livestock Evaluation Center will host the 34th Annual Performance-Tested Bull Sale Friday, March 30, at noon, in conjunction with the 18th Annual Pennsylvania Beef Expo. The expo will be March 29-April 1 and serves as the largest event in the state to exclusively feature beef cattle. Highlights include junior activities and competitions, producer seminars, sales, a large trade show, and the Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association Awards Banquet and Annual Meeting.

For more information about the expo and a show schedule, visit [www.pacattle.org](http://www.pacattle.org). For more information about Pennsylvania's performance-testing programs and sales, contact Glenn Eberly at (814) 238-2527 or [geberly@state.pa.us](mailto:geberly@state.pa.us). For more information on the Livestock Evaluation Center, visit the Center's web site at [www.agriculture.state.pa.us/lec](http://www.agriculture.state.pa.us/lec).

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3.50 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,110 lb.; test index: 119

**High-WDA Angus**—Lot 11-1; owner: James Schindlbeck, Grand Marsh, Wis.; ADG: 3.99 lb.; ADG ratio: 117; WDA: 3.80 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,140 lb.; test index: 117

**Angus averages (39 head)**—ADG: 3.42 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,028 lb.

Bulls are scheduled to sell April 21 at University of Wisconsin—River Falls (UWRF). For more information contact Don Prochnow, manager, at (715) 235-5882.

### ▣ WCA/WSU Bull Test

#### **WSU Research Center, Prosser, Wash. 76-day report (Jan. 29)**

The 14th Annual Washington Cattleman's Association (WCA)-sponsored WCA/Washington State University (WSU) Bull Test issued a progress report for the first 76-day test period of its 114-day feed test. The test is being conducted at the WSU Research Center at Prosser, Wash.

Being tested are 168 bulls, comprised of Angus, Red Angus, Polled and Horned Herefords, Simmentals, SimAngus, and ChiAngus. Born Jan. 1-March 31, 2006, these bulls represent 59 of the Northwest's top seedstock herds.

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 4-41; owner: West Brook Farms, Chimacum, Wash.; sire: Connealy Lead On; ADG: 5.38 lb.; WDA: 3.54 lb.; wt.: 1,365 lb.

**High-WDA Angus**—Owner: Tea Cup Angus Farm, Walla Walla, Wash.; sire: B/R New Frontier 095; ADG: 5.18 lb.; WDA: 3.75 lb.; wt.: 1,398 lb.

**Angus averages (105 head)**—ADG: 4.00 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,028 lb.

Only 75% of the bulls of each breed will be allowed to sell, based on the test station final index (half ADG and half adjusted yearling weight index), structure and breeding soundness exam.

A low-birth-weight expected progeny difference (EPD) section for Angus will be separated after final EPD qualifications of +2.0 birth weight EPD or less are checked. All bulls will have ultrasound data collected and available to the public. All bulls will have performance EPDs, and most will have carcass EPDs available.

Final test data are to be collected March 9. The sale is scheduled for March 28 at the WSU Research Center at Prosser, Wash. Additionally, for the second year, the WCA Allied Industries members will sponsor a trade show to accompany the sale. 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 at the trade show.

Prior to the sale, a social hour and forum will be conducted the evening of March 27. The featured speaker will be Daniel



Bernardo, Dean of the College of Agriculture, Human and Natural Resources at WSU.

Bulls on test may be viewed at any time at the WSU Research Center. Final test results and sale books for the March 28 sale can be received by contacting Test Data Coordinator Jean Smith, Benton Franklin Area Extension Educator, at (509) 735-3551 or Sale Manager Kendall Cattle Sales at (208) 858-2163. Test data can be viewed online at [www.prosser.wsu.edu](http://www.prosser.wsu.edu).

### ▣ Four Corners BCIA High-Altitude Bull Test Hesperus, Colo.

#### **84-day report (Jan. 29)**

One hundred thirty bulls and 14 heifers were weighed Jan. 29 after 84 days on feed at the Four Corners BCIA High-Altitude Bull Test. All animals have been previously tested and are PI-negative for BVD. Breeds represented are Angus, Red Angus, Murray Grey, Polled Hereford, Hereford, Maine Anjou, Gelbvieh, Stabilizer, Balancer, Grey Angus and Angus-Gelbvieh crosses. There are 69 Angus bulls on test.

**High-performing Angus**—Lot 25-4; owner: Banning Angus, Oak Creek, Colo.; sire: BAE161 060-306; ADG: 4.23 lb.; WDA: 3.96 lb.; test ratio: 130

**High-performing Angus sire group**—Three bulls; owner: Louis and Tiffani Montoya, La Plata, N.M.; sire: GAR 1407 New Design 363; avg. test ratio: 101

**Angus averages (69 head)**—ADG: 3.42 lb.; WDA: 3.24 lb.; wt.: 1,028 lb.

Final weights were to be taken Feb. 26 and 27, and bulls and heifers were to undergo pulmonary arterial pressure (PAP) testing to

verify their fitness for high altitude, ultrasound measurements for carcass traits, and breeding soundness examinations, including testing for trichomoniasis. The top bulls will be offered for sale at the 57th Annual Four Corners BCIA Bull and Heifer Sale April 7 at Hesperus, Colo.

For more information contact Beth LaShell at (970) 385-4574 or [lashell\\_b@fortlewis.edu](mailto:lashell_b@fortlewis.edu); or visit the test web site at <http://oldfort.fortlewis.edu/4-corner.htm>.

### ▣ WBIA Central Test Platteville, Wis. 65-day report (Feb. 6)

Feb. 6 marked the end of the second weigh period of the WBIA Central Bull Test. The overall performance continues to be outstanding as the 114 bulls on test have gained an average of 4.22 lb. per day through 65 days of the 100-day test (see also 35-day report on page 316).

**High-ADG Angus**—Lot 118; owner: Hilleman Angus, Richland Center; sire: B/R New Frontier 095; ADG: 5.38 lb.

**Angus averages (65 head)**—ADG: 4.27 lb.

The final weights are scheduled to be collected March 14-15. The top two-thirds of the tested bulls will be offered at the 50th Annual WBIA Tested Bull Sale Saturday, April 7, at 11 a.m. The sale is at the UW-Platteville Farm, College Farm Rd., Platteville, Wis. For more complete information and photos visit [www.wisconsinbeef.com](http://www.wisconsinbeef.com), call WBIA at 1-800-297-5747, or contact John Freitag at (608) 575-5000.

