

PERFORMANCE REPORT



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This column features the performance leaders in central bull tests hosted across the country. To access a state-by-state listing of 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.

IBEP Winter Test

112-day final report (March 26)

A total of 173 bulls, including 17 get-of-sire groups, were delivered to the Feldun-Perdue Ag Center near Bedford, Ind., for the 2017 Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) Winter Test.

HIGH-ADG ANGUS (TIE) Lot 141; owner: Kiata Farms, Hamilton, Ohio; sire: VF Ottawa 505; ADG: 4.81 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.38 lb.; WDA ratio: 101; wt.: 1,255 lb.; test index: 116; frame: 6.2

HIGH-ADG ANGUS (TIE) Lot 138; owner: Kiata Farms; sire: Deer Valley All In; ADG: 4.80 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.68 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,645 lb.; test index: 120; frame: 6.5

HIGH-WDA AND HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS Lot 5; owner: Bill Washburn, Olney, Ill.; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36; ADG: 4.72 lb.; ADG ratio: 124; WDA: 3.96 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,720 lb.; test index: 122; frame: 6.6

HIGH-ADG ANGUS GET-OF-SIRE three bulls; owner: Gher Angus Farm, Mitchell, Ind.; sire: MW First Discovery 35; avg. ADG: 4.31 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; avg. WDA: 3.25 lb.; WDA ratio: 97; avg. wt.: 1,232 lb.; test index: 107

HIGH-WDA AND HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS GET-OF-SIRE three bulls; owner: Rolling Acres Angus, Freetown, Ind.; sire: SS Niagara C2; avg. ADG: 4.13 lb.; ADG

ratio: 108; avg. WDA: 3.61 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; avg. wt.: 1,393 lb.; test index: 108

ANGUS AVERAGES (130 HEAD) ADG: 3.82 lb.; WDA: 3.33 lb.; wt.: 1,338 lb.

OVERALL AVERAGES (183 HEAD) ADG: 3.82 lb.; WDA: 3.33 lb.; wt.: 1,330 lb.

The bulls were to sell April 20 in the 76th IBEP Bull Sale and Springville Feeder Auction Association Bred Heifer Sale. For details contact Terry Stewart at tstewart@purdue.edu or 765-494-0138; fax: 765-494-9346; Brad Shelton, test station manager, at 812-279-8554 or sheltonb@purdue.edu; or Donna Lofgren,

performance records and website, at dlofgren@purdue.edu. Information is available on the website at www.ansc.purdue.edu/ibep.

Pennsylvania Bull Test

112-day final report (Feb. 20)

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with the Department of Dairy and Animal Science of the Pennsylvania State University, the Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association and the state breed associations, announced the Oct. 10, 2017, delivery of 188 bulls, 118 of them Angus, for the 2017-2018 Winter Pennsylvania Performance Bull Test conducted at Pennsylvania Furnace, Pa.

Eligible bulls born Jan. 1-April 15, 2017, went on test Oct. 31. At the 112-day conclusion of the test, leaders included the following.

HIGH-ADG ANGUS Lot 123; owner: Mitchell Farms, Matthew Mitchell, Reinholds; sire: Connealy Final Product; ADG: 5.31 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.84 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,580 lb.

HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 245; owner: Weaverland Valley Farms, Larry & Barbara Weaver, New Holland, Pa.; sire: Dattons Rito 33 of 7008; ADG: 4.57 lb.; ADG ratio: 108; WDA: 4.10 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,328 lb.

ANGUS AVERAGES (118 HEAD) ADG: 4.23 lb.;

2018 Tifton Performance Tested Bull Sale, March 7, Irwinville, Ga.



Windell Gillis (left), Gillis Angus Farm, Eastman, Ga., consigned the high-indexing Angus bull. GAF Consensus 618 is a December 2016 son of Connealy Consensus 7229. He posted an ADG of 5.24 lb. Presenting the award is Lee Brown, Georgia Cattlemen's Ass'n president.

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WDA: 3.41 lb.; wt.: 1,225 lb.

The sale was to be held March 30. For more information contact Greg Hubbard, station manager, 1494 W. Pine Grove Rd., Pennsylvania Furnace, PA 16865; phone: 814-238-2527; or ghubbard@pa.gov. For more information visit the test website at www.livestockevaluationcenter.com/BullTesting.aspx.

Edisto Forage Bull Test

84-day report (March 13)

The 2018 Edisto Forage Bull Test (EFBT), located at the Edisto Research & Education Center near Blackville, S.C., accepted delivery of 60 bulls Dec. 5, 2017. The test began Dec. 19 with all bulls weighing an average of 780 lb. Senior bulls were born Nov. 1, 2016-Jan. 31, 2017. Junior bulls were born Feb. 1-March 31, 2017.

The test is a 168-day pasture-based test. EFBT was developed, built and started in 1982 with the commercial

cow-calf producer in mind and capitalizing on the Southeast's advantage in its ability to grow high-quality, lush forages year-round. EFBT was designed to performance-test bulls in an environment in which bull buyers expect their progeny to perform.

HIGH-ADG SENIOR ANGUS Lot 39; owner: Mull Meadow Farm, Pendleton, S.C.; sire: Connealy Guinness; ADG: 4.24 lb.; WDA: 2.49 lb.; wt.: 1,044 lb.; test index: 6.72

HIGH-WDA SENIOR ANGUS Lot 59; owner: Redwol Acres; sire: Gamble's Hot Hand 2543; ADG: 3.62 lb.; WDA: 2.93 lb.; wt.: 1,244 lb.; test index: 6.55

HIGH-INDEXING SENIOR ANGUS Lot 17; owner: Saluda Ridge Angus, Johnston, S.C.; sire: Connealy Consensus 7229; ADG: 3.92 lb.; WDA: 2.87 lb.; wt.: 1,234 lb.; test index: 6.79

HIGH-ADG, HIGH-WDA AND HIGH-INDEXING JUNIOR ANGUS Lot 46; owner: Primus Genetics, Millers Creek, N.C.; sire: SAV Resource 1441; ADG: 3.54 lb.; WDA:

2.92 lb.; wt.: 1,112 lb.; test index: 6.45
OVERALL AVERAGES ADG: 3.16 lb.; WDA: 2.51 lb.; wt.: 1,049 lb.

Interim weigh dates are scheduled for March 13, April 10 and May 8. The bulls will be weighed off test June 5. The sale is scheduled for Oct. 14.

For more information contact Scott Sell at 803-284-3343, ext. 223 (office); 803-450-0995 (cell) or gsell@clemson.edu. Additional information is available on the test website at www.clemson.edu/extension/bulltest/index.html.

Wisconsin BIA Bull Test

100-day final report (March 14)

The Wisconsin Beef Improvement Association (WBIA) has conducted a central performance bull test since 1957. A total of 122 bulls, 83 of them Angus, were delivered Nov. 6, 2017, for the 2018 WBIA Bull Test at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville

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Farm. The bulls went on test Dec. 4-5. The 100-day test is for bulls born Jan. 1-April 15, 2017.

HIGH-ADG AND HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS Lot 89; owner: Kuhle Family Farm, Hazel Green; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage OA36; ADG: 5.50 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.80 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,338 lb.; test index: 122

HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 48; owner: Jeff Riley, Riley Brothers Farms, Darlington; sire: Plattermere Weigh Up K360; ADG: 4.91 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 3.97 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,483 lb.; test index: 116

ANGUS AVERAGES (83 HEAD) ADG: 4.27 lb.; WDA: 3.39 lb.

The sale was scheduled to be April 7. More information is available by contacting John Freitag, WBIA executive director, PO Box 955, New Glarus, WI 53574; phone: 608-527-5747; fax: 608-527-3010; or at wbia@tds.net. Information is also available on the WBIA website at www.wisconsinbeef.com.

MBCIA Bull Test

112-day final report (Jan. 19)

The 2017-2018 Minnesota Beef Cattle Improvement Association (MBCIA) bull test received 99 bulls,

71 of them Angus, Oct. 28 to go on test Nov. 12, 2017. The 112-day test is taking place at Foundation Feeders Inc., Spring Grove, Minn.

HIGH-ADG AND HIGH-INDEXING ANGUS Lot 12; owner: James Fastert, Rock Rapids, Iowa; sire: Quaker Hill Rampage OA36; ADG: 4.83 lb.; WDA: 3.74 lb.; wt.: 1,640 lb.; test index: 122

HIGH-WDA ANGUS Lot 9; owner: Goodrich Place Inc., Mark & Claudine Goodrich, Emerald, Wis.; sire: KCF Bennett Fortress; ADG: 4.38 lb.; WDA: 4.17 lb.; wt.: 1,485 lb.; test index: 122

OVERALL AVERAGES (90 HEAD) ADG: 3.69 lb.; WDA: 3.32 lb.

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The sale was March 17 in Jackson, Minn. For more information contact Ron Holty, test station manager, at 507-498-5839; cell: 507-429-7963 or ronholty@gmail.com.

UBIA Bull Test

112-day final report (Feb. 6)

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) received bulls Oct. 2 at Kenison Farm and Feedlot, Levan. There are two divisions within the junior Angus breed test: the traditional growth division and a low-birth-weight (LBW) division.

HIGH-ADG AND HIGH-INDEXING GROWTH ANGUS Lot 93; owner: Larsen Angus, Holden; sire: Sitz Investment 660Z; ADG: 4.84 lb.; ADG ratio: 151; WDA: 3.62 lb.; wt.: 1,428 lb.; sale ratio: 144

HIGH-WDA GROWTH ANGUS Lot 99; owner: Lisonbee Angus Ranch, Roosevelt; sire: Basin Payweight 1682; ADG: 3.93 lb.; ADG ratio: 122; WDA: 3.89 lb.; wt.: 1,345 lb.; sale ratio: 122

HIGH-ADG AND HIGH-INDEXING LBW ANGUS Lot 97; owner: Larsen Angus, Holden, Utah; sire: Sitz Investment 660Z; ADG: 4.29 lb.; ADG ratio: 133; WDA: 3.10 lb.; wt.: 1,233 lb.; sale ratio: 126

HIGH-WDA LBW ANGUS Lot 56; owner: Kelly Crozier Angus, Neola, Utah;

sire: KCF Bennett Fortress; ADG: 3.79 lb.; ADG ratio: 118; WDA: 3.58 lb.; wt.: 1,265 lb.; sale ratio: 118

GROWTH ANGUS AVERAGES ADG: 3.21 lb.

LBW ANGUS AVERAGES ADG: 3.21 lb.

The test sale was scheduled for March 17, 2018. 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, www.ubiabulls.com. 