

Association Link

Spring Sire Evaluation now available online

The spring 2004 Sire Evaluation Report is now available on the Internet at www.angus.org. Accessing the report online is the fastest and easiest way to get the latest performance information

on sires in the Angus breed. It allows you to specify ranges of expected progeny differences (EPDs) and to sort bulls that qualify in those ranges. This evaluation will also include the first release of the Dollar Value (\$Value) Indexes, which include Feedlot Value (\$F), Grid Value

(\$G) and Beef Value (\$B).

Active members who returned their blue request cards and received a printed copy of the fall 2003 report will receive the spring 2004 report automatically. All other members and all commercial producers who want a printed report will

need to request it by contacting Brenda Schafer at (816) 383-5144 or bschafer@angus.org.

Range Beef Cow Symposium online

Did the snowstorm or distance prevent you from attending the 2003 Range Beef Cow Symposium in Mitchell, Neb., Dec. 9-11? You can still attend the event — in the comfort of your office — online.

The Angus Productions Inc. (API) staff provided real-time coverage of the event at www.rangebeefcow.com. Visit the site to read summaries of the presentations, listen to speakers, view PowerPoint® presentations, read proceedings and download articles pertinent to conference topics.

This meeting is known for its practical and applicable topics. Among this year's presentations were: "When all is said and done, what really matters in cattle reproduction on the ranch?"; "Selecting for carcass marbling and muscle — benefits and pitfalls"; "The journey to recovery of the range after drought"; "Strategically feeding protein and energy during wintering and managing cow condition"; and "Developing replacement heifers: recent research findings on target weights and fat supplementation" to name only a few.

The www.rangebeefcow.com site is sponsored by Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica, Inc.

Seedstock Directory

The new advertising section of the *Angus Beef Bulletin* premieres on pages 84-86 of this issue. The Angus Seedstock Directory provides a state listing of producers offering Angus genetics to commercial cattlemen. Rather than advertising individuals or groups of animals, the listings in this section are meant to provide the herd or company name, contact information and possibly a logo for each directory advertiser. We hope you find this a valuable tool in locating a seedstock supplier near you or along the way during your travels. Don't forget to tell your seedstock sources that you read their ads in the *Angus Beef Bulletin*.

API to provide online coverage of 2004 Cattle Industry Convention

The 2004 Annual Cattle Industry Convention and Trade Show is set for Jan. 28-31 at the Phoenix Civic Plaza in Phoenix, Ariz. People from all aspects of the beef industry will take part in the event, which is organized by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) and other industry organizations. The theme for the convention is "Create Change, Shape the Future — Together!"

API will provide real-time coverage of the convention and trade show at www.4cattlemen.com, including speaker presentations and detailed meeting coverage. The coverage is

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sponsored by Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica, Inc. Go to the site now to view a schedule and to access links to online registration.

The Association, Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) and API will also have a presence in the trade show, where attendees can learn about Angus

resources available to the industry. Please stop by these booths and visit with staff and fellow Angus breeders.

National Western to host Angus activities this month

A full schedule of Angus events is set for the 2004 National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver, Colo. The activities begin with the junior heifer

show at 3 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 13, in the Stadium Arena

Following is an abbreviated schedule:

Tuesday, Jan. 13

3 p.m. Angus junior heifer show

Wednesday, Jan. 14

8 a.m. Angus ROV female show

Thursday, Jan. 15

8 a.m. Judging Angus sale bulls

2 p.m. Angus bull sale

4:30 p.m. AIMS workshop
6:30 p.m. Angus reception

Friday, Jan. 16

8 a.m. Angus ROV bull show
3 p.m. National Western Angus Foundation Female Sale

Saturday, Jan. 18

9 a.m. Carload and pen shows

For more information go to www.nationalwestern.com.



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