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OBI Angus Test No. 92

Stillwater, Okla.

112-day final report (Dec. 11, 2009)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 7105; owner: H&H Land & Cattle LLC, Vinita, Okla.; sire: Spur Success 2801; ADG: 5.67 lb.; ADG

ratio: 126; WDA: 4.04 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,418 lb.; SC: 40.0 cm; test index: 121

High-WDA and high-indexing Angus—Lot 7113; owner: H&H Land & Cattle LLC, Vinita, Okla.; sire: H&H L&C Phoenix

5045; ADG: 5.44 lb.; ADG ratio: 121; WDA: 4.55 lb.; WDA ratio: 131; wt.: 1,664 lb.; SC: 40.0 cm; test index: 125

Angus averages (49 head)—ADG: 4.51 lb.; WDA: 3.46 lb.; wt.: 1,321 lb. To qualify for the Spring 2010 All

Breeds OBI Sale, bulls must have indexed 93.7 or better, or have minimum values for adjusted yearling weights of 1,110 lb. and a cumulative ADG of 3.50 lb. The bulls must also have a minimum off-test scrotal circumference of 32 cm.

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. Reports are available on the test web site at www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/obi.

OBI Angus Test No. 93

Stillwater, Okla.

56-day report (Dec. 11, 2009)

High ADG Angus—Lot 7232; owner: Garton Angus Ranch, Nevada, Mo.; sire: Woodhill Foresight; ADG: 8.11 lb.; wt.: 1,190 lb.

Angus averages (49 head)—ADG: 4.77 lb.; wt.: 1,032 lb.

For more information contact Stidham at 405-624-1181 or okbeef@provalue.net; or Bob Kropp, at 405-744-9287. Reports are available on the test web site at www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/obi.

Clemson Bull Test

Simpson Experiment Station, Pendleton, S.C.

112-day final report (Dec. 29-30, 2009)

The 40 bulls on the 2010 Clemson Bull Test gained an average of 2.72 lb. per day during the last 28 days and have an average WDA of 3.21 lb. The test is a 112-day corn silage-based test.

“December was one of the wettest on record at Clemson,” reports Larry Olson, Extension animal scientist and bull testing program coordinator. “Pens have been very muddy, which adversely affects the bulls’ performance.”

Junior bulls were born Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 2008. Senior bulls were born Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 2008.

High-ADG senior Angus—Lot 15; owner: Alexander Angus Farm, Sac Alexander, Six Mile, S.C.; sire: Mytty In Focus; ADG: 4.58 lb.; ADG ratio: 126; WDA: 3.18 lb.; WDA ratio: 99; wt.: 1,538 lb.

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 1; owner: MPAC Angus, Marvin Zeigler, Bamberg, S.C.; sire: TC Grid Topper

Calhoun Bull Evaluation Performance Test and Sale, Calhoun, Ga., Dec. 11, 2009

Sam Hay Jr. (right), Hayfields Farm, Covington, Ga., consigned the high-indexing Angus bull, Hayfields 112 923 821, an Oct. 2008 son of Rito 112 of 2536 Rito 616. Presenting is Melvin Porter, Georgia Angus Association.

355; ADG: 3.51 lb.; ADG ratio: 96; WDA: 3.81 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,643 lb.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 25; owner: Black Crest Farms, Shawn Gray, Sumter S.C.; sire: SAV Net Worth 4200; ADG: 4.92 lb.; ADG ratio: 119; WDA: 3.64 lb.; WDA ratio: 109; wt.: 1,493 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 29; owner: Trax Cattle, Chuck Traxler, Saint George, S.C.; sire: HA Power Alliance 1025; ADG: 4.67 lb.; ADG ratio: 113; WDA: 3.72 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,563 lb.

Senior Angus averages (21 head)—ADG: 3.64 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.; wt.: 1,465 lb.

Junior Angus averages (7 head)—ADG: 4.12 lb.; WDA: 3.33 lb.; wt.: 1,370 lb.

Overall averages (40 head)—ADG: 3.70 lb.; WDA: 3.21 lb.; wt.: 1,416 lb.

Thirty-one bulls qualified for the sale scheduled for Feb. 6, 2010, at the Garrison Livestock Arena Cattle Complex, Clemson. For more information contact Olson at 803-284-3343, ext. 231, or visit the test web site at www.clemson.edu/edisto/cubt/cubt.htm.

**Oklahoma Panhandle State University Bull Test
Goodwell, Okla.**

84-day report (Jan. 2, 2010)

High-ADG and high-indexing senior Angus—Lot 9-2; owner: B&M Angus, Edmond, Okla.; sire: Spur Success 2801; ADG: 6.48 lb.; ADG ratio: 143; WDA: 3.44 lb.; WDA ratio: 112; wt.: 1,488 lb.; test index: 127

High-WDA senior Angus—Lot 24-3; owner: Tim Meier, Hitchcock, Okla.; sire: Bar M New Design 5188; ADG: 4.62 lb.; ADG ratio: 102; WDA: 3.72 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 1,405 lb.; test index: 111

High-ADG and high-indexing junior Angus—Lot 15-1; owner: OPSU Angus, Goodwell, Okla.; sire: B&M Right Time 667; ADG: 5.35 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.68 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 1,222 lb.; test index: 119

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 17-3; owner: Phil Light, Turpin, Okla.; sire: Woodhill Mainline; ADG: 4.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 110; WDA: 3.84 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,253 lb.; test index: 112

High-ADG senior Angus pen—pen 9; owner: B&M Angus, Edmond, Okla.; sire: Spur Success 2801; avg. ADG: 5.45 lb.; avg. ADG ratio: 120; avg. WDA: 3.03 lb.; avg. WDA ratio: 98; pen F:G: 5.76:1

High-ADG junior Angus pen—pen 30; owner: Wink Farms, Panhandle, Texas; sires: PL Pfred 244, PL In Focus 376, and Bar M Grid Maker 5024; avg. ADG: 4.75 lb.; avg. ADG ratio: 115; avg. WDA: 3.70 lb.; avg. WDA ratio: 109; pen F:G: 5.59:1

Angus averages (77 head)—ADG: 4.32 lb.; WDA: 3.32 lb.

Overall averages (82 head)—ADG: 4.30 lb.; WDA: 3.27 lb.

The test index is 50% ADG, 50% WDA.

Upon completion of the 112-day test, the top end of the bulls will be consigned to the 58th Annual OPSU Performance Tested Bull Sale, which is set for Feb. 22 at 1 p.m. in the England Activity Building at the University Farm, Goodwell, Okla.

For more information contact Gwen Martin, Animal Science Department, at 580-349-1500, fax: 580-349-1501 or gwen@opsu.edu.

**University of Tennessee Junior Bull Test
Spring Hill, Tenn.**

28-day report (Dec. 8, 2009)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 48; owner: University of Tennessee—Knoxville, Knoxville, Tenn.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 8.00 lb.; WDA: 3.73 lb.; wt.: 1,210 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 27; owner: Grassy Valley Farm, Greeneville, Tenn.;

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sire: Boyd Forward 6025; ADG: 7.29 lb.; WDA: 3.98 lb.; wt.: 1,135 lb.

Overall and Angus average (49 head)—ADG: 5.70 lb.

The bulls were to be reweighed Jan. 5. They will be weighed off test Feb. 1-2. Qualifying bulls will be eligible to sell in the Junior Bull Test Sale scheduled for

March 11, 2010, at the Middle Tennessee Experiment Station, Spring Hill, Tenn. For more information contact David Kirkpatrick at 865-974-7294 or fkirkpat@utk.edu, or visit the test web site at <http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu/Beef/BullTestingProgram-Junior.html>.

103rd LSU Beef Bull Evaluation Test Alexandria, La.**56-day report (Dec. 23, 2009)**

Danny Coombs reports from the Louisiana State University (LSU) Dean Lee Livestock Testing Station that gains were variable during the first period, but he expects them to level out in the next period. The ADG of the group was 3.76 lb. per day.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 22; owner: Pine Tree Ranch, Coushatta, La.; sire: DHD Traveler 6807; ADG: 4.46 lb.; wt.: 1,004 lb.

Angus average (26 head)—ADG: 3.95 lb.; wt.: 978 lb.

Overall average (56 head)—ADG: 3.76 lb.; wt.: 924 lb.

The third 28-day period was scheduled to end Jan. 20, 2010. A progress report will be sent out shortly thereafter. For more information contact Coombs at dcoombs@agcenter.lsu.edu.

UBIA Bull Test**Kenison Farms & Feed Lot, Levan, Utah****56-day report (Dec. 22, 2009)**

The Utah Beef Improvement Association (UBIA) Bull Test weighed 104 Angus bulls on test Oct. 27, 2009. Weights at the 56-day interval were taken Dec. 22, 2009.

High-ADG and high-indexing junior Angus—Lot 216; owner: Shane Walker Farms, Mona, Utah; sire: PM TC Dividend of Emma 260; ADG: 4.77 lb.; ADG ratio: 131; WDA: 3.22 lb.; wt.: 1,045 lb.; sale ratio: 123

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 46; owner: Sid Fullmer, Panguitch, Utah; sire: Endured Well; ADG: 3.93 lb.; ADG ratio: 108; WDA: 3.78 lb.; wt.: 1,090 lb.; sale ratio: 111

High-ADG (tie) and high-WDA senior Angus—Lot 195; owner: Doug Adams, Adams Angus, Brigham City, Utah; sire: N-Bar Emulation EXT; ADG: 4.87 lb.; ADG ratio: 132; WDA: 3.14 lb.; wt.: 1,390 lb.; sale ratio: 121

High-ADG (tie) and high-indexing senior Angus—Lot 202; owner: Doug Adams, Adams Angus, Brigham City, Utah; sire: Crook Mt. Really Windy 141; ADG: 4.87 lb.; ADG ratio: 132; WDA: 3.05 lb.; wt.: 1,340 lb.; sale ratio: 122

Junior Angus average (104 head)—ADG: 3.65 lb.

Junior overall average (185 head)—ADG: 3.69 lb.

Senior overall average (19 head)—ADG: 3.69 lb.

Mid-test 84-day weights were to be collected Jan. 19, 2009. Final weights are scheduled for Feb. 16 and 18. The sale will be March 20. 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 web site www.ubiabulls.com.

MCA/MSU Bull Test**Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich.****28-day report (Dec. 4, 2009)**

Bulls were weighed for the Michigan Cattlemen's Association/Michigan State University (MCA/MSU) Bull Test Nov. 5-6, 2009. The 112-day test is being conducted at Plank Farm, Crystal, Mich. The test index is based on the average percentile ranking of a bull for six expected progeny differences (EPDs), plus ADG and WDA. Thus, a lower index is more desirable.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 1; owner:

Bordner Angus Farms, Sturgis, Mich.; sire: Mogck Whispering Wind 584; ADG: 5.09 lb.; ADG ratio: 188; WDA: 2.89 lb.; WDA ratio: 96; wt.: 1,235 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 40; owner: Sumerix Farms, Lachine, Mich.; ADG: 3.66 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 3.61 lb.; WDA ratio: 121; wt.: 965 lb.

Overall averages (110 head)—ADG: 2.71 lb.; WDA: 2.99 lb.

54-day report (Dec. 30, 2009)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 1; owner: Bordner Angus Farms; sire: Mogck Whispering Wind 584; ADG: 5.14 lb.; ADG ratio: 166; WDA: 3.02 lb.; WDA ratio: 100; wt.: 1,370 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 118; owner: Barker Creek Cattle Co., Bath, Mich.; ADG: 3.56 lb.; ADG ratio: 115; WDA: 3.59 lb.; WDA ratio: 119; wt.: 1,060 lb.

Overall averages (110 head)—ADG: 3.09 lb.; WDA: 3.03 lb.

Bulls were scheduled to be weighed again Jan. 29, 2010, for interim weights. Final 112-day weights will be collected Feb. 25-26. The sale is scheduled to be March 20. For more information on the test, contact Brian Plank, farm manager, at 989-235-5853 or psf@cmsinter.net, or visit the test web site at www.micattlemen.org.

Southwest Virginia Bull Test Hillwinds Farm, Dublin, Va.

56-day report (Dec. 15, 2009)

Bulls were weighed on test for the Southwest Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement Association (BCIA) Bull Test Oct. 20. The test is being conducted at Hillwinds Farm, Dublin, Va. It is managed by the Virginia Tech Department of Animal and Poultry Science.

High-ADG junior Angus—Lot 96; owner: C.W. & Jason Pratt, Echo Ridge Farm, Atkins, Va.; sire: GAR Prime Design; ADG: 5.71 lb.; ADG ratio: 129; WDA: 3.67 lb.; WDA ratio: 110; wt.: 1,090 lb.

High-WDA junior Angus—Lot 138; owner: Mike Connatser, J&M Windy Acres, Maryville, Tenn.; sire: GAR New Design 5050; ADG: 5.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 125; WDA: 3.92 lb.; WDA ratio: 117; wt.: 1,330 lb.

High-ADG and high-WDA senior Angus—Lot 73; owner: Mike Connatser; J&M Windy Acres, Maryville, Tenn.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 5.98 lb.; ADG ratio: 146; WDA: 3.99 lb.; WDA ratio: 129; wt.: 1,475 lb.

Angus junior averages (63 head)—ADG: 4.45 lb.; WDA: 3.35 lb.; wt.: 1,056 lb.

Overall junior averages (105 head)—ADG: 4.46 lb.; WDA: 3.33 lb.; wt.: 1,048 lb.

Angus senior averages (74 head)—ADG: 4.11 lb.; WDA: 3.08 lb.; wt.: 1,242 lb.

Overall senior averages (102 head)—ADG: 4.26 lb.; WDA: 3.07 lb.; wt.: 1,238 lb.

Senior bulls are scheduled to be weighed Jan. 12 and off test Feb. 8-9, 2010; junior bulls are scheduled to be weighed Jan. 12, Feb. 9 and off test March 1-2. The sale for both senior and

junior bulls is scheduled for March 27.

For more information contact Scott Greiner, Extension beef specialist, at 540-231-9159 or sgreiner@vt.edu, or visit the test web site at <http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu>. To contact Tim Sutphin, owner/manager of Hillwinds Farm, call 540-980-5848.

Florida Bull Test

Marianna, Fla.

112-day final report (Dec. 8-9, 2009)

The Florida Bull Test began Sept. 16, 2009, at the University of Florida (UF) North Florida Research and Education Center near Marianna, Fla. The test was for bulls born August-December 2008 and included Angus, Charolais, Limflex, Santa Gertrudis, SimAngus and Simmental bulls.

Cliff Lamb, UF Professor, reported the bulls have performed well and were fortunate not to have had many health issues. The bulls were targeted to gain 3.0 lb. per day and averaged 2.91 lb. per day; however, they ranged from 1.90 lb. to 3.79 lb. per day while on test.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 869; owner: James Holman, Panama City, Fla.; sire:

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SAV 8180 Traveler 004; ADG: 3.79 lb.; WDA: 2.90 lb.; wt.: 1,350 lb.; test index: 117

High-WDA Angus—Lot 805; owner: The Hills, Jack Wainwright, Greensboro, Fla.; sire: Ogeechee F Direction 420; ADG: 2.97 lb.; WDA: 3.37 lb.; wt.: 1,173 lb.; test index: 110

High-indexing Angus (tie)—Lot 865; owner: John B Ranch, B.C. Jackson, Hope Hull, Ala.; sire: Bon-View New Design 878; ADG: 3.73 lb.; WDA: 3.10 lb.; wt.: 1,415 lb.; test index: 119

High-indexing Angus (tie)—Lot 824; owner: Windy Hills Angus Farm, Jack Tate, Boaz, Ala.; sire: SAV 8180 Traveler 004; ADG: 3.77 lb.; WDA: 3.06 lb.; wt.: 1,348 lb.; test index: 119

Angus averages (37 head)—ADG: 3.05 lb.; WDA: 2.82 lb.; wt.: 1,170 lb.

Bulls that did not have an index of 85 or greater did not qualify for the sale that was scheduled for Jan. 9, 2010. For more information visit the web page at <http://flbulltest.ifas.ufl.edu>, or contact Lamb at 850-482-9904 or gclamb@ufl.edu.

**Pennsylvania Bull Testing Program
Pennsylvania Furnace, Pa.
28-day report (Nov. 24, 2009)**

Beef producers consigned 120 bulls to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's 2009-2010 performance bull test at the Samuel E. Hayes Jr. Livestock Evaluation Center at Pennsylvania Furnace. The winter test is a 112-day performance test for bulls born Jan. 1-April 15, 2009.

This year, 116 bulls representing eight different beef breeds, including Simmental, Limousin, Angus, Hereford, Red Angus, Charolais, Lim-Flex, and Crossbred, will be offered at the sale. All bulls were evaluated on rate of gain, muscling, composition of gain, (fat thickness and marbling) and breeding soundness as part of the performance bull testing program.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 9028; owner: Larry & Barb Weaver, Weaverland Valley Farms, New Holland; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 6.64 lb.; ADG ratio: 160; WDA: 3.98 lb.; WDA ratio: 124; wt.: 1,145 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 9013; owner: Larry & Barb Weaver, Weaverland Valley Farms, New Holland; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 5.63 lb.; ADG ratio: 136; WDA: 4.11 lb.; WDA ratio: 128; wt.: 1,269 lb.

Angus averages (88 head)—ADG: 4.15 lb.; WDA: 3.20 lb.; wt.: 888 lb.

56-day report (Dec. 22, 2009)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 9024; owner: John Yenny, Triple J Farm, Daisytown; sire: HARB Pendleton 765 JH; ADG: 6.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 144; WDA: 3.85 lb.; WDA ratio: 115; wt.: 1,246 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 9013; owner: Larry & Barb Weaver, Weaverland Valley Farms; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 5.33 lb.; ADG ratio: 120; WDA: 4.18 lb.; WDA ratio: 125; wt.: 1,410 lb.

Angus averages (88 head)—ADG: 4.43 lb.; WDA: 3.34 lb.; wt.: 1,020 lb.

The bulls were scheduled to be weighed Jan. 19 for the 84-day report and Feb. 16 for the final report. They are available for inspection at any time. The data collected during the test will be used to qualify and rank bulls for the 37th Annual Pennsylvania Performance Tested Bull Sale, scheduled for Friday, March 26, at the Livestock Evaluation Center.

For more information about Pennsylvania's performance testing programs and sales, contact Livestock Evaluation Center Director Glenn Eberly at 814-238-2527 or geberly@state.pa.us or visit the test's web site at www.livestockevaluationcenter.com/BullTesting.aspx.

**Edisto Forage Bull Test
Edisto Research & Education Center,
Blackville, S.C.****28-day report (Dec. 15, 2009)**

The 60 bulls on the 2010 Edisto Forage Bull Test did well during the first 28 days of the 168-day bull test, reports Larry Olson. Health has been excellent. The bulls, born Jan. 1-March 31, 2009, were turned out on grazing Dec. 4.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 16; owner: Cecil Eaddy, Angle Wood Angus Farm, Manning, S.C.; sire: GAR Retail Product; ADG: 3.82 lb.; ADG ratio: 135; WDA: 2.61 lb.; WDA ratio: 94; wt.: 838 lb.

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 13; owner: Shawn Gray, Black Crest Farms, Sumter, S.C.; sire: SS Objective T510 OT26; ADG: 2.54 lb.; ADG ratio: 90; WDA: 3.14 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,020 lb.

High-WDA Angus (tie)—Lot 39; owner: Gary Burns, Clemson Beef Cattle Farm, Clemson, S.C.; sire: SAV 8180 Traveler 004; ADG: 3.68 lb.; ADG ratio: 130; WDA: 3.13 lb.; WDA ratio: 113; wt.: 1,045 lb.

Angus averages (54 head)—ADG: 2.83 lb.; WDA: 2.78 lb.; wt.: 886 lb.

Overall averages (60 head)—ADG: 2.71 lb.; WDA: 2.79 lb.; wt.: 882 lb.

The bulls are scheduled to be weighed Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 9, April 6 and off test May 3-4, 2010. Qualifying bulls will sell Oct. 9, 2010. For more information contact Olson at 803-284-3343, ext. 231, or visit the test web site at www.clemson.edu/edisto/cubt/cubt.htm.

**Tifton Bull Evaluation Program
Tifton Bull Evaluation Center,
Tifton, Ga.**

56-day report (Dec. 15, 2009)

According to Robert Stewart, Extension animal scientist at the University of Georgia, bulls have maintained excellent performance with only a few exceptions. The bulls gained an average of 4.48 lb. per day during the last 28-day interval.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 77; owner: Brown's Twin Oaks, Arnold Brown, Griffin, Ga.; sire: GAR Predestined; ADG: 6.18 lb.; ADG ratio: 125; WDA: 3.39 lb.; WDA ratio: 100; wt.: 1,276 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 80; owner: Hargis Angus, Billy Hargis, Rocky Face, Ga.; sire: TC Total 410; ADG: 4.52 lb.; ADG ratio: 91; WDA: 3.95 lb.; WDA ratio: 116; wt.: 1,498 lb.

Angus averages (60 head)—ADG: 4.94 lb.; WDA: 3.39 lb.; wt.: 1,133 lb.

Overall averages (117 head)—ADG: 4.99 lb.; WDA: 3.34 lb.; wt.: 1,126 lb.

The bulls are scheduled to be weighed Jan. 12 and off-test Feb. 9. Qualifying bulls will sell in the test sale March 3, which will be preceded March 2 with the Beef Cattle Short Course. The Bull Evaluation Center is open for visitors from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you wish to visit on weekends, call Mike Keeler at 229-831-5416. For more information contact Stewart at rstewart@uga.edu or 229-386-3683; fax: 229-391-2517; or Patsie Cannon at ptcannon@uga.edu or 229-386-3683; or visit the test web site at www.tifton.uga.edu/pc-web.

WIU Bull Test

**WIU Bull Test Station, Macomb, Ill.
28-day report (Nov. 24, 2009)**

Bulls went on test at the Western Illinois University (WIU) bull test Oct. 26.

High-ADG and best F:G Angus—Lot 310; owner: Schreacke Angus, James

Schreacke, Camp Point, Ill.; sire: Sitz New Design 458N; ADG: 7.07 lb.; F:G ratio: 3.66:1; wt.: 1,041 lb.

Angus averages (23 head)—ADG: 4.94 lb.; F:G ratio: 5.41:1; wt.: 1,006 lb.

Overall averages (50 head)—ADG: 4.89 lb.; F:G ratio: 5.11:1; wt.: 987 lb.

56-day report (Dec. 15, 2009)

High-ADG Angus—Lot 310; owner: Schreacke Angus; sire: Sitz New Design

458N; ADG: 5.98 lb.; F:G ratio: 4.55:1; wt.: 1,178 lb.

Best F:G Angus—Lot 402; owner: Blue Ridge Cattle LLC, Steve Koss and Chad Daugherty, Monticello, Ill.; sire: Bear Mtn. Owyhee 5012; ADG: 4.70 lb.; F:G ratio: 4.38:1; wt.: 908 lb.

Angus averages (23 head)—ADG: 4.41 lb.; F:G ratio: 6.10:1; wt.: 1,115 lb.

Overall averages (50 head)—ADG: 4.37 lb.; F:G ratio: 5.85:1; wt.: 1,095 lb.

The test index is 40% ADG ratio, 40% F:G ratio, 10% marbling ratio, and 10% REA ratio. The bulls will be reweighed Jan. 19 and off test Feb. 15-16. For more information contact Ken Nimrick, associate professor and manager, or Bruce Engnell, manager; 145 Knoblauch Hall, Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL 61455; Nimrick phone: 309-298-1288; Engnell phone: 309-255-

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**Midland Bull Test
Columbus, Mont.
57- and 82-day report (Jan. 4, 2010)**

Bulls went on test for the Midland Bull Test Oct. 14 (first efficiency test group) and Nov. 8 (second efficiency test group).

High-ADG Angus—Lot 446; owner: Flat Mountain Ranch, Menahga, Minn.; sire: GAR-EGL Protégé; ADG: 4.91 lb.; ADG ratio: 170; WDA: 3.39 lb.; wt.: 1,070 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 440; owner: Flat

Mountain Ranch; sire: Mytty In Focus; ADG: 4.21 lb.; ADG ratio: 146; WDA: 3.95 lb.; wt.: 1,220 lb.

Angus averages (530 head)—ADG: 3.09 lb.; WDA: 3.05 lb.

Qualifying Angus bulls will sell in the Angus sale April 9, 2010. For more information, contact Steve or Lindsey Williams at 406-322-5597; fax: 406-322-5210 or e-mail bulls@

midlandbulltest.com;
www.midlandbulltest.com.

**MBCIA Jackson Test
Foundation Feeders, Jackson, Minn.
52-day report (Jan. 4, 2010)**

There are 54 Angus bulls among the 83 bulls on test at the Minnesota Beef Cattle Improvement Association (MBCIA) bull test.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 33; owner: Hassing Angus Farm, Wells, Minn.; sire: Mytty In Focus; ADG: 5.72 lb.; WDA: 3.19 lb.; wt.: 1,120 lb.; test index: 125

High-WDA Angus—Lot 18; owner: Drysdale Farm, Wabasha, Minn.; sire: TC Gridiron 258; ADG: 4.52 lb.; WDA: 4.00 lb.; wt.: 1,235 lb.; test index: 119

High-indexing Angus—Lot 48; owner: Ebony Hills Angus, Ronald Moen, Caledonia, Minn.; sire: SAV John Wayne 6220; ADG: 5.10 lb.; WDA: 3.91 lb.; wt.: 1,070 lb.; test index: 126

Angus averages (54 head)—ADG: 3.83 lb.; WDA: 3.30 lb.; wt.: 1,026 lb.

Overall averages (83 head)—ADG: 3.90 lb.; WDA: 3.25 lb.; wt.: 1,020 lb.

The test index is based 50% on WDA and 50% on ADG. For more information contact Ron Holty at 507-429-7963 or rkholty@springgrove.coop.

**Treasure Bull Test
Broken O Ranch Feedlot,
Simms, Mont.**

60-day report (Jan. 6, 2010)

The Treasure Bull Test is a 120-day Angus test. Seventy bulls are currently on test.

High-ADG Jackpot Angus—Lot 1; owner: Carstens Angus Ranch, Jim & Frances Carstens, Concrete, Wash.; sire: GAR Retail Product; ADG: 4.50 lb.; WDA: 3.53 lb.; wt.: 1,150 lb.

High-WDA Jackpot Angus—Lot 6; owner: Perry Cattle Co., Ryan Perry, Power, Mont.; sire: MF Destroyer 093; ADG: 3.42 lb.; WDA: 3.65 lb.; wt.: 1,135 lb.

High-ADG Spring Bull—Lot 114; owner: Carstens Angus Ranch; sire: GAR New Design 5050; ADG: 4.75 lb.; WDA: 3.59 lb.; wt.: 1,230 lb.

High-WDA Spring Bull—Lot 126; owner: Marvin Rehbein, Arlee, Mont.; sire: N-Bar Emulation EXT; ADG: 3.58 lb.; WDA: 3.75 lb.; wt.: 1,295 lb.

High-WDA Fall Bull—Lot 301; owner: Majic Valley Cattle Co., Marv & Judy Bell, Mesa, Wash.; sire: Meadow Acres Nebraska 70; WDA: 3.43 lb.; wt.: 1,305 lb.

Jackpot Angus averages (8 head)—ADG: 3.53 lb.; WDA: 3.33 lb.

Spring Angus averages (56 head)—ADG: 3.24 lb.; WDA: 3.11 lb.

Fall Angus averages (5 head)—WDA: 3.11 lb.

The test index is calculated by using the weaning ratio with a limit of 110, gain index and yearling index divided by three. The Jackpot index is 25% weaning ratio, 50% ADG ratio and 25% yearling ratio.

Qualifying bulls will sell April 12, 2010, at the Western Livestock Auction, Great Falls, Mont. For more information

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contact Russ and Barb Pepper or Jeff and Jamie Wood at 406-264-5694 or brtangus@3rivers.net. The test web site is www.treasurebulltest.com.

Iowa Angus Bull Test Midterm report

Forty-six bulls are on test at the Iowa

Angus Association Annual Bull Test. They began the test Oct. 23 and will be weighed off test Feb. 11, 2010.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 17; owner: Pitz Farms, Epworth, IA; sire: SAV Net Worth 4200; ADG: 6.76 lb.; wt.: 1,545 lb.

Qualifying bulls will sell March 17, 2010, in Lamoni, Iowa. For more information contact Tricia Holmes at 641-785-2315 or cholmes@iowatelecom.net,

or visit the test web site at www.iowaangus.org/bulltest.html.

Southeast Colorado Bull Test Southeast Colorado Research Center, Lamar

On-test report (Nov. 19, 2009)

Forty bulls, including 11 Angus bulls born January-April 2009, started on test at the Southeast Colorado Bull Test in

Lamar, Colo., with an average of weights collected Nov. 18 and 19. Angus bulls had an average beginning weight of 743 lb. for an average WDA of 2.42 lb. Overall, the bulls averaged 703 lb. for a WDA of 2.33 lb.

Interim weights were scheduled to be collected Dec. 30 and Feb. 3, with final weights to be taken March 9-10. The test index will be based 60% on ADG and 40% on WDA. Qualifying bulls will be eligible for sale April 13, 2010, at the Winter Livestock Commission Co., La Junta, Colo.

For more information contact Bruce Fickenscher, Extension educator, at bruce.fickenscher@colostate.edu or 719-438-5321, or visit the test web site at <http://kiowacounty.colostate.edu>.

IBEP Winter Bull Test Feldun-Purdue Ag Center, Bedford, Ind.

28-day report (Dec. 15, 2009)

Two hundred twelve bulls and 27 get-of-sire groups went on test Nov. 17, 2009, for the Indiana Beef Evaluation Program (IBEP) 2009 Winter Test. The bulls are being fed a diet of approximately 55% corn silage, 22% corn grain, 20% DDGS and 3% Balancer. Bulls were born from Jan. 1-April 30, 2009.

In their first 28 days on test, bulls averaged 926 lb., with an average ADG of 4.03 lb. Bulls on average consumed 24.7 lb. of a blend of wheat silage and corn silage, 1.3 lb. of ground hay, 5 lb. of corn grain and 5.1 lb. of DDGS + Balancer per day. Average daily dry-matter intake was 2.4% of body weight. Daily feed cost was \$1.54 per head, or roughly \$38.46 per hundredweight (cwt.).

The 63-day interim weights were to be taken Jan. 19. Qualifying bulls may sell in the test sale April 15, 2010, at the Springville Feeder Auction. For more information contact Donna Lofgren, secretary, at 765-494-6439 or dlofgren@purdue.edu, or visit the test web site at www.ansc.purdue.edu/ibep.

Bloomfield Spring Bull Test Amana Test Station, Amana, IA On-test report (Nov. 2, 2009)

On Monday, Oct. 12, a total of 59 spring-born bulls were delivered to the Amana Test Station in Amana, Iowa, for the Iowa Cattlemen's Association (ICA) Bloomfield test. The bulls completed a 21-day warm-up period that ended Nov. 2. Bulls were weighed twice going on test, with the two weights averaged to mark the starting point of the performance test.

Angus averages—Age: 259 days; WDA: 3.00 lb.; wt.: 776 lb.

Chi-Angus averages—Age: 252 days; WDA: 2.77 lb.; wt.: 696 lb.

Simmental averages—Age: 264 days; WDA: 3.02 lb.; wt.: 797 lb.

Bulls will be fed a ration intended to achieve maximum gain during a 112-day test period. An interim weight was taken Dec. 28, but results were not available at press time.

Off-test weights will be collected Feb.

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22-23, at which time all bulls will be ultrasound scanned and semen-checked. Bulls will be evaluated for carcass merit, reproductive soundness, structural correctness, disposition and growth. The top two-thirds of each breed making test requirements as outlined in the guidelines by the Production Efficiency Committee are to sell March 22 at the Bloomfield Livestock Auction Market in Bloomfield, Iowa.

For more information, contact Kellie Carolan, 515-296-2266 or kellie@iabeef.org. ICA bull test information is available for all three tests and sales on the ICA web site at www.iacattlemen.org.

**Bloomfield Fall Bull Test
Kirkwood Community College,
Cedar Rapids**

On-test report (Nov. 2, 2009)

On Monday, Oct. 12, a total of 16 spring-born bulls were delivered to the Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for the ICA Bloomfield Fall Bull Test. The bulls completed a 21-day warm-up period. Going on test Nov. 2, the fall bulls averaged 1,093 lb. with an average WDA of 3.51 lb.

The fall bulls will be sold as a part of the Bloomfield sale March 22, 2010.

For more information, contact Carolan or visit the ICA web site at www.iacattlemen.org.

**Kansas Bull Test #69
H.M. Schmitt Inc., Tipton, Kan.
56-day report (Jan. 4, 2010)**

There are 56 Angus bulls among the 290 bulls on test at the Kansas Bull Test.

High-ADG, high-WDA and high-indexing Angus—Lot 157; owner: Kuhlman Angus, Bill Kuhlman, Seneca, Kan.; sire: Windy Hill 036 Design; ADG: 5.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 128; WDA: 3.67 lb.; WDA ratio: 120; wt.: 1,138 lb.; test index: 125

The final weigh date and official test ending will be March 1. The Kansas Bull Test Sale will be at the Mitchell County Fairgrounds, Beloit, Kan., April 7. For more information contact Doug or Lori Schmitt at 785-373-4824 (farm) or e-mail at hmschmitt@wilsoncom.us. Reports are available on the test web site at www.kansasbulltest.com/Test%2069.html.

**Tucumcari Bull Test
Tucumcari, N.M.**

56-day report (Jan. 11, 2010)

“Entering our 49th year, it is a pleasure to provide you with this performance update for the bulls after 56 days on test,” says Manny Encinias, director of operations. This year’s test has brought together 115 bulls from 17 seedstock producers originating from diverse production environments in the Southwest. Through 56 days, the 115 bulls on test are averaging 3.39 lb. of gain per day.

“The depth of quality in the barn is

unsurpassed, as cooperating ranches have sorted deep and sent only the top-cut sire groups to this year’s program,” he notes.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 15-3; owner: Hartzog Angus Cattle, Bovina, Texas; sire: GAR-EGL Protégé; ADG: 5.39 lb.; ADG ratio: 138; WDA: 3.03 lb.; WDA ratio: 108; wt.: 988 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 9-3; owner: Miller Angus, Floyd, N.M.; sire: Miller Fly Traveler 775; ADG: 4.02 lb.; ADG ratio: 103; WDA: 3.34 lb.; WDA ratio: 118; wt.: 944 lb.

Angus averages (51 head)—ADG: 3.91 lb.; WDA: 2.82 lb.

Producers are invited to come by the testing facility 3 miles north of Tucumcari to evaluate the bulls and nutrition program. The presale Buyers Bull Session, Social and Supper will be Thursday evening, March 18, at the Tucumcari Convention Center. All cattle producers are encouraged to attend the presale event. The event has continued to be a sale highlight, giving ample opportunity to visit with bull owners and sales representatives. The 49th Annual Performance Test will be capped off with the bull sale Friday, March 19. For more information contact Encinias at 505-927-7935 or via e-mail at mencinia@nmsu.edu.

For electronic access to this report and other information regarding this year’s bull test, bull buying decision aids, and the New Mexico Beef Cattle Performance

Association, visit <http://cahe.nmsu.edu/beefperformancetest>.

**Wardensville Bull Test
West Virginia University Reymann
Memorial Farm
42-day report (Jan. 12, 2010)**

There are 141 Angus bulls among the 158 bulls on test at the West Virginia Bull Evaluation Program at Wardensville.

High-ADG Angus—Lot 31; owner: Kinsey’s Oak Front Farm, Flemington, W.Va.; sire: GAR Predestined N6235; ADG: 5.17 lb.; ADG ratio: 134; WDA: 3.38 lb.; wt.: 1,076 lb.

High-WDA Angus—Lot 55; owner: Poling Angus Farm, Philippi, W.Va.; sire: OFF Retail Product T134; ADG: 4.33 lb.; ADG ratio: 112; WDA: 3.61 lb.; wt.: 1,120 lb.

Angus averages (141 head)—ADG: 3.85 lb.; WDA: 3.05 lb.; wt.: 999 lb.

For more information about the Wardensville Bull Test, contact Wayne Wagner, WVU Extension, at 304-293-3391, ext. 4205; or Jerry Yates, WVU Reymann Memorial Farm, at 304-874-3561. Reports are available on the test web site at www.wvbeef.org/wbt/wbt.html.



Editor’s Note: To access a state-by-state listing of current central bull tests, visit our virtual library online at <http://www.api-virtuallibrary.com/CentralBullTests.htm>. The listing includes contact information, links to test web sites, current test schedules and dates of upcoming tests.

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