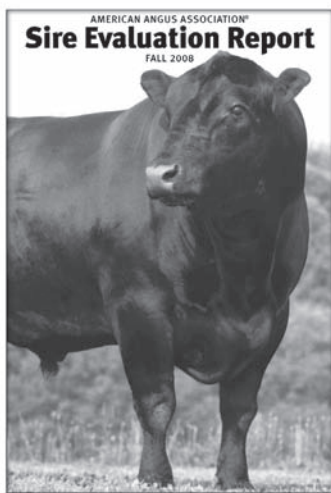


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Fall sire summary available online

The fall 2008 Sire Evaluation Report and the updated expected progeny differences (EPDs) and dollar value indexes (\$Values) from the latest National Cattle Evaluation (NCE) were released July 13.

To view the latest Sire Evaluation Report online, go to www.angussiresearch.com. Printed copies are expected in the Association offices by mid-August. In addition to the online and printed versions, the report is available on CD for \$25.

Celebration planned to commemorate 135 years of Angus in U.S.

Angus enthusiasts are invited to attend the Kansas Angus

Association (KAA) field day, Sept. 27 in Victoria, Kan. The event will take place at George Grant's Cemetery and Monument to celebrate the Angus breed that he introduced to the U.S. in 1873.

In addition to celebrating the milestone anniversary of the breed and the American Angus Association, local Angus breeders will display cattle for viewing, dignitaries will be on hand to speak and a *Certified Angus Beef*® (CAB®) lunch will be served.

Two other milestones in the Angus business should also be noted in 2008 — the Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR®) program and Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) program celebrate 50 years and 30 years, respectively.

There is no cost to attend the Kansas Field Day, but reservations are appreciated to help with the meal count. Please e-mail KAA manager Anne Lampe at kansasangus@wbsnet.org with the names of those people attending.

Boot Camp approaching quickly

Two Cattlemen's Boot Camps are scheduled for fall and winter 2008. The Boot Camps, hosted by the American Angus Association and funded through the Angus Foundation, are two-day educational sessions



conducted in coordination with major universities across the country.

Texas A&M University (TAMU) is hosting a Boot Camp Aug. 22-23 at the TAMU Beef Center in College Station. The registration deadline is Aug. 8.

The Kansas State University Boot Camp, originally set for mid-October, will be postponed until December due to tornado damage to Weber Hall and the meats lab.

Registration, covering meals and materials, is \$75 for either camp. Preregistration is required. For more information about these and future Boot Camps, contact Monica Jordan at 816-383-5100.

API providing online coverage of BIF meeting

Visit www.bifconference.com for Angus Productions Inc.'s (API's)

online coverage of the 40th annual Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) meeting and research symposium. This year's conference, "Beef Beyond Borders," was in Calgary, Alta., Canada, June 30-July 3.

Attracting the leading minds in beef cattle production, academia and industry, BIF participants gathered to share the latest research and innovations contributing to ongoing

advancements in beef production and honor leaders in beef cattle improvement.

This is the seventh year API has provided online coverage of the event. This year's coverage was made possible through the generous support and sponsorship of BioZyme Inc. and its long-standing commitment to Angus producers and the Angus Foundation.



Register now for national conference & tour

Don't miss the Sept. 1 early registration deadline for the 2008 National Angus Conference & Tour (NAC&T), set for Oct. 7-9 in Oklahoma City. Register by Sept. 1 to receive the preregistration rate of just \$75.

"An Angus Gathering" is hosted by the Oklahoma Angus Association and includes a daylong conference and two days of tours. Purina Mills LLC and Alpharma Animal Health are major partners for the three-day event.

Bowman Named COO

Bill Bowman promoted to American Angus Association chief operating officer within new organizational structure.

Story by
SHELIA STANNARD

Bill Bowman has been named the American Angus Association chief operating officer (COO), effective in June. Bowman has been with the Association for 16 years and also serves in other leadership roles such as vice president of information and data programs, director of performance programs and president of Angus Genetics Inc. (AGI), a subsidiary of the Association.

He began his tenure at the Association as a regional manager, traveling Colorado, Kansas and Oklahoma, and later became the first director of commercial programs.

As COO, Bowman will oversee the daily

operations of the Association. He will work closely with Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Bryce Schumann and all departments.

"Bill understands the needs of the membership and the importance of customer service, as well as all departments within the Association," Schumann says. "He'll be instrumental in ensuring that the Association continues to provide programs and services to our membership and the commercial cattle producer now and in the future."

Bowman is a Stet, Mo., native and a gradu-

ate of the University of Missouri-Columbia. He is active in industry organizations, serving

on the Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) board of directors and as chairman of the Ultrasound Guidelines Council (UGC). He has previous experience in the Angus seedstock business and in sale management.

The COO position is an integral part of the executive management team that Schumann established shortly after taking on the role of CEO. The executive management

team is designed to more efficiently manage the Association and ensure that all of its entities work more closely together.

