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Attached is the off-test summary for 183 bulls and 15 get-of-sire groups evaluated in the 2017 Winter Test. Bulls were weighed March 26 with the weight shown under the “**Off Test**” heading giving each bull’s (or Get’s) off-test weight and age. Bonnie Bradford, Premier Ultrasound, St. Mary’s, Ohio, used ultrasound to determine rib eye area, and rib fat, and % intramuscular (IM) fat.

Frame score (**FS**) is calculated from hip height and age on March 26. Scrotal circumference (**SC**) measured on March 26 is adjusted to 365 days of age. For sale eligibility, minimum SC is 33 cm for Simmental; 32 cm for Angus, Gelbvieh, Red Angus, and SimAngus; and 30 cm for other breeds. **IBEP Performance Index** was computed by .6 (ADG Ratio) + .4 (WPDA Ratio) within each breed. If there were less than six bulls of one breed, ADG (3.82) and WPDA (3.33) averages for all 183 bulls were used to determine ratios and Performance Index. Likewise, % Retail Product and % Intramuscular Fat ratios were computed within breed unless there were less than six bulls of a breed. Carcass merit is the average of % Retail Product and % Intramuscular Fat ratios.

All 183 bulls averaged 1,330 lbs at the end of the performance test and gained 3.82 lbs per day while on test.

Congratulations to owners of these high-indexing bulls of their breeds:

Perf. Index	Ear Tag	Breed	%	Owner	City & State
121.7	5	Angus	PB	Bill Washburn	Olney, IL
121.4	132	Hereford	PB	Able Acres	Wingate, IN
121.2	93	SimAngus	63	Neal Brothers Simmentals	Bicknell, IN
121.2	136	SimAngus	50	Cedar Hill Land & Cattle Co.	Amanda, OH
114.1	85	Red Angus	PB	Walnut Creek Crossing Farms	Warsaw, IN
107.0	36	Charolais	PB	Harmon Charolais	Corydon, IN
105.7	9	Simmental	PB	Bill Washburn	Olney, IL

Thanks for the help of many people on March 26 and 29 to weigh, measure, inspect, health test, conduct breeding soundness exams, and freeze brand bulls. Many Extension Educators, bull owners, IBEP Directors, producers, Feldun-Purdue personnel and volunteers assisted. We appreciate your help, interest, and cooperation.

The Inspection Committee disqualified 23 bulls due to structural soundness problems relating to feet and legs. Four bulls were disqualified for disposition. Twenty-five bulls failed to pass the breeding soundness evaluations, nine for scrotal circumference, nine for tagged penis, three for testicle issues, two for papilloma, one for vesiculitis, and one for poor semen quality.

A total of 90 bulls are catalogued for the sale which will also be broadcast live on DVAuction.com. These include: 66 Angus, 8 SimAngus, 6 Hereford, 4 Charolais, 4 Simmental, and 2 Red Angus.

Quality is high in this set of bulls. Congratulations to Bill Washburn, Olney, IL for having the top indexing (121.7) bull, Angus #5, sired by Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36. Other high indexing bulls are: Hereford #132 (121.4) and #128 (120.2), Able Acres, Wingate, IN; SimAngus #93 (121.2), Neal Brothers Simmentals, Bicknell, IN; SimAngus #136 (121.2), Cedar Hill Land & Cattle Co., Amanda, OH; Angus #138 (119.5) and #141 (116.1), Kiata Farms, Hamilton, OH; Angus #185 (116.0), KB Angus, Merritt, MI; Angus #153 (114.9), Way View Cattle Co., Hebron, OH; Angus #65 (114.1), Stewart Select Angus, Greensburg, IN; Red Angus #85 (114.1), Walnut Creek Crossing Farms, Warsaw, IN; and Angus #10 (114.0), Bill Washburn, Olney, IL.

Congratulations to Rolling Acres Angus, Freetown, IN for consigning the top indexing get-of-sire group, Get #2 (108.1). Angus bulls #20, 23, and 26 were sired by SS Niagara C2. Next was Get #4 (106.6) with Angus bulls #50, 51, and 52, consigned by Gher Angus Farm, Paris, IL and The Raven, Marshall, IL and sired by MW First Discovery 35. Get #10 (106.5) had Angus bulls #140, 141, and 142, consigned by Kiata Farms, Hamilton, OH and sired by VF Ottawa 505. Next was a tie (105.8) between two get-of-sire groups, both sired by Deer Valley All In. Get #1 had SimAngus bulls #11, 16, and 19 consigned by Kohli Farms, Circleville, OH. Get #9 had Angus bulls #137, 138, and 139 consigned by Kiata Farms.

Sale catalogs should be available at the test station by April 11. Bulls will be penned by 3:00 p.m. at the Springville Feeder Auction on sale day. **We need several volunteers to bring trailers at 1:00 p.m. to transport bulls from the test station to Springville. Also, help is needed from bull owners during the sale.** Buyers must remove bulls at Springville by Friday noon, April 20. Sale day phone is (812) 279-1282.

Cattlemen's Calendar

Mon., April 9	Entry deadline for 2018 Summer Test.
Thurs., April 19	81 st IBEP Bull Sale, Springville Feeder Auction and remote sites, 6:00 pm; sale will be broadcast on DVAuction.com.
Tues., May 1	Delivery of bulls for 2018 Summer Test.

2018 SUMMER TEST

If you have bulls or know of seedstock producers who have bulls eligible for the 2018 Summer Test, we need entries by Monday, April 9. Contact us for rules and entry forms, or check the web site.