



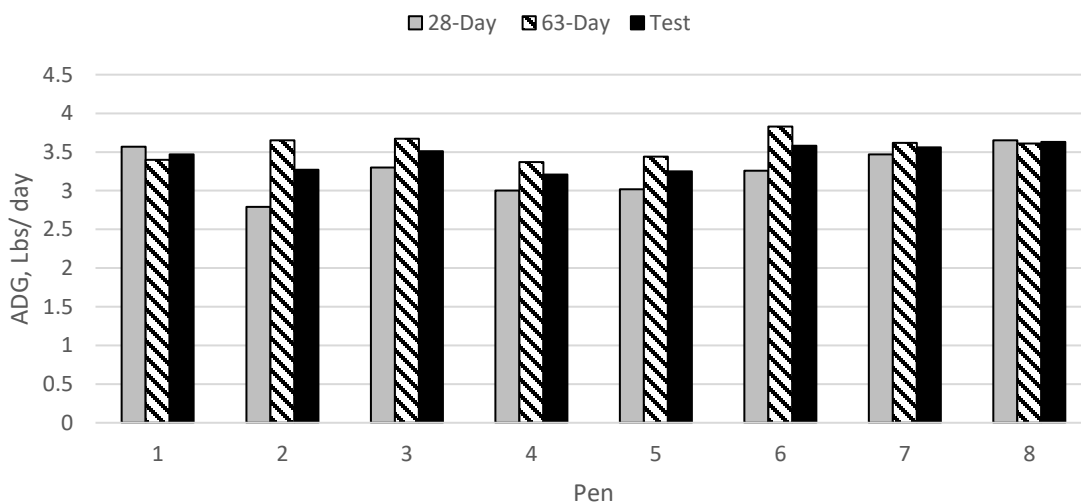
INDIANA BEEF EVALUATION PROGRAM

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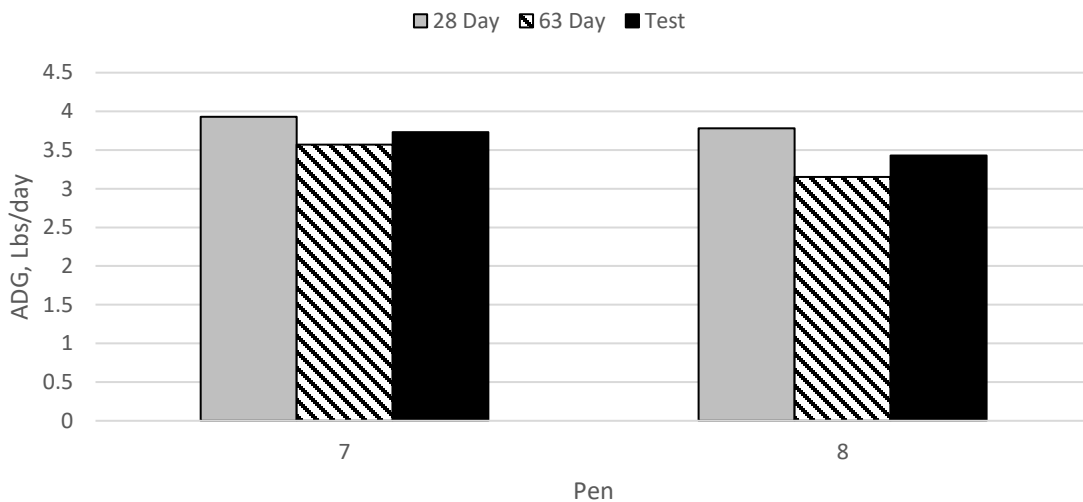
Bulls were weighed on January 17 for their 63-day weight which mark's the half-way point for the 2022 Winter Test. Performance since the 28-day weight and to this point in the test has been good. As a group, bulls are achieving the targeted ADG based on the diet formulation. Health issues have been minimal since the 28-day weight, with five bulls receiving treatment for symptoms associated with bovine respiratory disease, 7 bulls for lameness and two bulls for foot rot. Additionally, bulls appear to have handled the exceptionally cold period around Christmas without no issue; and hopefully you as well as your herds did as well.

Figure 1. Fluctuation in Average Daily Gain (ADG) Within and Across Pens by Period for Junior Division Bulls



For those who did not attend or log in to the Zoom meeting on January 26 regarding IBEP working with the American Angus Assoc. to enhance marketing for the 91st IBEP Performance Tested Bull Sale; I would encourage you to contact the test station and ask how you can use this to help market your bulls. A "how to sheet" is included in this mailing. I will update the digital sale catalog every two weeks; therefore, if you have supplement pictures or information you would like posted with your respective lots, please send those to me via email. It cannot be emphasized enough that this is a "get out what you put in" tool. If you choose not to use it, you will likely not see any benefit. **NOTE:** The Sale Catalog will go live on the American Angus Assoc. website in February. To locate it, go to www.angus.org; on the homepage click "View" the Sale Books and Videos, followed by, "Private Treaty" within the different categories.

Figure 2. Fluctuation in Average Daily Gain (ADG) Within and Across Pens by Period for Senior Division Bulls



REMINDER: bulls **MUST** be parent verified to both their sire and dam and have genomically enhanced EPDs in addition to other requirements to be Sale eligible (see rules). If you are unsure on your bull's parentage or EPD status please call the test station and to confirm based on the online information. Some have thought their bulls had all necessary DNA information and that ended up not being the case based on "I thought we had DNA on that cow" or "isn't that their genomic EPDs." IBEP is here to help, not judge. IBEP will **NOT** sell and will **NOT** catalog bulls in the printed catalog that do not have this information.











Lastly, and in all sincerity; IBEP needs more bull cooperators to be present on work days. Enough volunteers are needed to operate efficiently and to respect both your time as well as that of Board Members and Purdue Staff. If you've helped in the past and it was not a pleasant experience or you felt un-needed, please contact the Test Station so that we can discuss and work at correcting going forward. This is an excellent opportunity to evaluate your bulls against the other 177 bulls on test after we've finished for the day. When else are you going to have this opportunity? Moving IBEP work days to weekends will most likely not resolve this issue as it seems everyone's weekend are as busy if not busier than week days. To the cooperators who have already helped, thank you and do not feel inclined to continue to be present, although you're more than welcome to be. Please look at the Calendar below or on the website and let me know if you can come help on any of the upcoming dates.

Best Regards,

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CATTLEMEN'S CALENDAR

Activities usually begin at 9:00 a.m. Bring a potential cooperater or bull buyer to give them a first-hand look at the bulls, facilities and the central testing program.

Feb. 9, 2023		<p align="center">Indiana Forage Council Annual Meeting</p> <p align="center">Location: CLAAS of America – Columbus, Indiana</p> <p align="center">Cost is \$20 per person</p> <p align="center">RSVP by Feb. 6 to Elysia Rogers 260-925-2562 or eberry@purdue.edu</p>
Feb. 14, 2023		91-Day Weight (Weights only)
Feb. 15, 2023		Second Carcass Trait Ultrasound and Yearling Measurements for Junior Division Bulls
Feb. 20 & 21, 2023		<p align="center"><i>Heart of America Grazing Conference</i></p> <p align="center">Ferdinand, IN</p> <p align="center">Link to Agenda and Registration: https://indianaforage.wordpress.com/2022/07/15/2022-hoosier-hay-contest/</p>
Feb. 23, 2023		<p align="center">Beef Quality Assurance Training</p> <p align="center">Orange County Community Building – Paoli, IN</p> <p align="center">6:30 PM; RSVP by February 20, 2023 to 812-723-71074</p>
March 13, 2023		Structural Soundness & Disposition Evaluation
March 19, 2023		Off-Test Weigh Day 1
March 20, 2023		Off-Test Weigh Day 2 and Scrotal Circumference Measurements
March 23, 2023		Breeding Soundness Exams and Sale Bull Freeze Branding
March 24, 2023		2023 Summer Test Entry Deadline
March 27 – 31st		Sale Bull Video Week – Weather Dependent
April 14, 2023		Pre-Sale Open House
April 15, 2023		91st IBEP Bull Sale