

Michigan Angus News

Hello Angus Enthusiasts!

I am writing this message from the UP State Fair in Escanaba, MI. Over 85 steers and 150 head of breeding cattle are being exhibited this year. A standing room only crowd was on hand for the steer show and fair attendance has been steady all week. Interest in the beef business in the UP is strong.

Plans are progressing well for the Michigan Angus "Black Bonus" Sale set for October 1, 2011 at Omega Farms. Cliff Simmons and Merle Boemer have assembled over 60 head for that sale. Julie French has coordinated an excellent educational program to take place ahead of the sale from 1:00 -3:00 pm. It will be a great day to spend with Angus friends. Read more about the sale and the program in this issue.

As we get close to weaning time we need to think about culling open cows (they make expensive pets), the cow with a bad foot or udder, the one with a questionable attitude or the one that just does not bring in a good one at weaning time. Get the cows culled and the money in hand so you can upgrade your herd. There will be genetics available that will improve any herd at the "Black Bonus" Sale. Don't miss it!

Bob Zellmer and I met with the North Country Beef Producers last month in Atlanta, MI. We shared ideas about marketing opportunities with the Angus Source® age & source verification program. Several producers from that area are signing up for this program. If you would like to be involved or have customers that may be interested contact Bob Zellmer.

The educational program at the "Black Bonus" Sale will focus

on locally grown and marketed beef and this program ties in nicely with the Angus Source® program.

Dr. Dave Hawkins, Ken Geuns, and Cody Sankey have presented a comprehensive article in this newsletter about performance records. Plan to read it over. If you are not involved with Angus Herd Improvement Records, you need to be. Performance records help with management decisions, and used correctly, will ultimately add value to your registered Angus herd. With the price of corn, the value of cattle with performance records will only increase.

ANGUS CHECK LIST for the next six weeks:

- Get your calves weaned, weighed and vaccinated (x 2)
- Make your culling decisions and sell the cows
- Turn in your weights to AHIR
- Entries due Sept. 1 for the MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation

....and, most important

- Invite a neighbor or someone else interested in Angus cattle to attend the "Black Bonus" Angus sale & educational program with you on October 1

See you there!

Monte Bordner, Sturgis
President, Michigan Angus Association
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P.S. Much appreciation goes to all committee members who have made these activities possible. Be sure to thank them!

The Bottom Line: We all need to be on the bleachers at Omega Farm on October 1 to support our state association and fellow breeders, and take advantage of the quality Angus genetics being offered. Who knows? YOU just might find a bargain!

calendar

September 1	Entry deadline for MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program <i>Visit www.micattlemen.org for information, rules, and nomination form</i>
September 25	Sterling Hunter Dispersal Sale, Bath <i>Contact Troy Wilson for info, 269-806-3004, sterlinghunterfarm@gmail.com</i>
September 30, 5:30 pm	"Black Bonus" Sale Dinner & Barn Dance, hosted by Omega Farms, Williamston
October 1, 1 pm	Michigan Angus Assn. Educational Program (in conjunction with "Black Bonus" Sale) <i>Contact Nancy Thelen for info, hillsideacres01@aol.com Register to attend the program at www.michiganangus.org</i>
October 1, 6 pm	Michigan Angus Assn. "Black Bonus" Sale, Omega Farms, 4900 M-52, Williamston <i>Contact Merle Boehmer for info, 517-896-3165, mboeh99@gmail.com</i>
October 8	Angus Connection Sale, Seldom Rest Fams, Niles <i>Contact Scott Foster for info, 269-208-6470, sfostersrf@gmail.com</i>
November 14	American Angus Association Annual Convention of Delegates, Louisville, KY
December 9-11	Michigan Winter Beef Classic, East Lansing

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national news

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I hope all is well with our Michigan Angus families! Everything is going great at the American Angus Association - and excitement is high as we head into the fall sale season. Please feel free to call or e-mail if I can be of help to you. Following are a few highlights of what's going on at the AAA.

This fall, the Association will substantially increase its television presence with six all-new episodes of "I Am Angus," and expand its news and information capabilities with the nationwide launch of "The Angus Report." Mark your calendar:

- I Am Angus is set to air on RFD-TV at 8 p.m. Eastern on Oct. 31; Nov. 21; Dec. 19; Jan. 2; Feb. 13; and March 5.
- "The Angus Report" will air every Monday morning at 8:30 a.m. Eastern. If you miss the Monday morning broadcast, catch it again on Saturday afternoons at 2:30 p.m.

The American Angus Association Long Range Plan is entering the rollout phase. The initiative is months in the making. The Board first announced the long-range planning process in fall 2010 and began collecting comments from members, their customers and other industry representatives in January 2011. Surveys were included in the Angus Journal and online at www.angus.org, and additional input was gained through a series of listening sessions and individual comments collected by Board members.

The strategic intent of the Long Range Plan focuses on an overarching effort to increase member success and profitability by:

- growing registered Angus demand;
- increasing marketing and education efforts;
- fostering development and use of technology;
- leveraging entity resources and expertise; and
- growing the industry leadership role of the Association and its entities.

Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) set a new monthly sales record in June 2011 by selling 70,000,000 pounds. This was the first month in the 33-year history of the brand to reach the 70 million pound mark.

ESTABLISH YOUR "24/7 STOREFRONT" ONLINE

@ www.michiganangus.org!

Michigan Angus Association's official website offers economically-priced banner advertisements to members and agri-businesses. Banner advertisements are a quick and easy way to promote a sale offering, a bull, or ag-related merchandise and services on the web where they will be readily noticed by your potential customers who are looking for Angus. A banner ad on the association site is the most effective way for internet "surfers" to find your farm or business by establishing a direct connection to your own web site.

Whether you have a farm website or not, you can take advantage of these great rates. We can easily design a banner ad for you at no additional cost or use one you have placed on other websites.

***Banner ads on the Michigan Angus home page cost only \$25 per month!
Run your ad for as many - or as few - months as you wish. Set your own schedule to promote your herd for 1 month, quarterly, during a sales season, or all year long.***

Contact Rebecca VanDenBerg at support@michiganangus.org to place your banner ad!

angus university

Predictable Performance - The Angus Advantage by Dave Hawkins, Ken Geuns and Cody Sankey Michigan State University

Angus breeders have powerful tools to provide predictable genetics for themselves and their customers by collecting performance data and submitting it to the American Angus Association for inclusion in the national database. The American Angus Association registers more cattle than other beef breed and has the largest and most powerful database of any beef breed. Breeders can decide which measures of performance they wish to collect. The opportunity to include DNA analysis enables breeders of all size herds to generate EPDs for most traits even if they lack appropriate contemporary groups.

Birth Traits

Birth weight and calving ease scores can easily be observed when each calf is born.

Weaning Traits

At weaning time, the calves can be measured for weight and hip height. In addition to growth rate these values are used to estimate milk production from their dams. They can also be scored for docility.

Yearling Traits

At yearling time, weight, hip height and docility are again recorded. Measures of body composition can be estimated using ultrasound and measures of fertility can be taken by measuring scrotal circumference or reproductive tract scores.

Genomic Traits

Blood samples taken soon after birth or anytime later can be submitted to check for freedom of genetic defects and to increase the accuracy of all other performance and carcass traits. The genomics companies that provide these analyses for the American Angus Association are constantly updating their procedures to identify predictors of future performance.

The American Angus Association staff maintains the software to analyze the data that you submit and using the appropriate genetic correlations to generate expected progeny differences for use in your selection and merchandising programs. The national database is powerful enough to generate EPDs for traits that may not have been measured directly on an animal. The accuracy of these estimates increases as new data are added to the analysis.

Contact the American Angus Association (www.angus.org or 816-383-5100) to enroll your herd in the Angus Herd Improvement Records program and start submitting data. For a minimal fee you can make rapid genetic progress for your herd and your customers!

show reports

Michigan Angus Preview Show • June 12 • MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

Thirty-five head of Angus cattle were exhibited at the 2011 Michigan Angus Preview Show held June 12 at the Michigan State University Pavilion in conjunction with the annual Michigan Beef Showcase.

The Grand Champion Bull in the Junior and Open Show was SH Superman 0159 exhibited by Sterling Reichenbach from Bath. This March 2010 son of Leachman Saugahatchee 3000C was also selected as the Supreme Champion Bull over all breeds. The Reserve Grand Champion Bull in the Junior and Open Show was Reidoca Domination R004 exhibited by Rachel Reid from Eaton Rapids. The April 2010 son of S A V 004 Predominant 4438 was named the Reserve Supreme Champion Bull over all breeds.

The Grand Champion Female in the Junior and Open Preview Show was the Junior Heifer Champion, Seldom Rest BF Bardot 490, exhibited by Patti Vaassen from Ann Arbor. The April 2010 daughter of Exar Lutton 1831 was also selected as the Supreme Champion Female over all breeds. The Reserve Grand Champion Female in the Junior and Open Show was the Reserve Junior Heifer Champion, Dameron Royal Queen 012, owned by Sterling Reichenbach from Bath. The January 2010 daughter of PVF All Payday 729 was also named the Reserve Supreme Champion Female over all breeds.

SH Blossom 0138, a February 2010 daughter of Leachman Saugahatchee 3000C, owned by Sterling Reichenbach, won Grand Champion Bred and Owned Female. The Reserve Grand Champion Bred and Owned Female was P L V Effie 8050, a May 2010 daughter of B C Lookout 7024 owned by Patti Vaassen from Ann Arbor.

MB Pratissia W503 won Grand Champion Cow-Calf Pair in the open show for Mains-Boehmer Angus from Burlington. The cow is an April 2009 daughter of SydGen 1407 Corona 2016, and an April 2011 heifer calf sired by MB Pratissia Y515 completed the winning pair.

Other division champions were Senior Heifer Calf Champion, Merrimans Lila 108, owned by Kendra Merriman from Lowell; the Reserve Senior Heifer Calf Champion was Merrimans Morgan 104, also owned by Kendra Merriman. The Intermediate Heifer Champion was PLV Effie 8050 owned by Patti Vaassen. Reserve Intermediate Champion was Dal-Den Ms Bando 332, exhibited by Katrena Klopfenstein from Galien. The Senior Heifer Champion was Seldom Rest BF Bardot 9051, exhibited by Patti Vaassen.

The Champion Angus Steer was Oak Row Doogle, a May 2010 calf sired by Duff New Edition 6108, and exhibited by Kendra Merriman. Reidoca Predominant R007 won Reserve Grand Champion Steer. Rachel Reid owns the April 2010 son of S A V 004 Predominant 4438.

Showmanship classes were sponsored by the Michigan Angus Auxiliary. Champion Jr. Showman was Katrina Klopfenstein, Galien; Champion Intermediate Showman was Sterling Reichenbach, Bath; Champion Sr. Showman was Kendra Merriman, Lowell; and DeeAnne Merriman, Lowell and Patti Vaassen, Ann Arbor were selected to represent Michigan in the National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest held at the National Jr. Angus Show.

Michigan Livestock Expo • July 14–19 • MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

The Michigan Livestock Expo is a multi-species livestock event including beef, sheep, swine, and goats. The show is designed to enhance the livestock industry, educate youth and showcase Michigan's agriculture industry. Champions in each species are sold at a special evening industry celebration. "The Michigan Livestock Expo was again an impressive achievement, and everyone involved is thrilled with the event's record participation of more than 825 youth exhibitors and 1,200 farm animals," said Ernie Birchmeier, Michigan Livestock Expo co-organizer.

"We are grateful for the support of Governor Rick Snyder and the other state officials who attended the 'Sale-Abration' and cheered on Expo exhibitors and buyers" said Birchmeier. "It's inspiring to see Michigan's leaders make an investment in youth, agriculture and the future of our state."

Grand Rapids-based retailer Meijer was the ultimate trend-setter, performing a repeat trifecta with the purchase of three grand champion animals for the second consecutive year. Meijer purchased the Grand Champion Market beef steer, exhibited by Kenton Klingaman, Tekonsha for \$20,000; the Grand Champion Market Hog, exhibited by Lauren Wildt, Homer for \$15,000; and the Grand Champion Market Lamb, exhibited by Ryan Waltke, Burr Oak for \$12,000. Meijer successfully bid on and bought several other animals, bringing its total investment to nearly \$60,000.

Kelsey Casebere, Clare exhibited the Champion Angus Steer and Taylor Ostrander, Leslie showed the Reserve Champion Angus Steer of the 2011 Michigan Livestock Expo. For a complete sale report, visit www.milivestock.com.

junior association news

2011-12 Michigan Junior Angus Association

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2011 NATIONAL JUNIOR ANGUS SHOW • LET FREEDOM RING • HARRISBURG, PA

Twelve Michigan Junior Angus members "Let Freedom Ring" when they participated in the 2011 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The members, along with their families, spent the week of July 10-16 showcasing and promoting the Angus breed. Participants included Patti Vaassen, Ann Arbor; Dylan Kennedy, Nashville; Chelsea and Justin Ruggles, Kingston; DeeAnne and Kendra Merriman, Lowell; Rachel Reid, Eaton Rapids; Katie Reid, Eaton Rapids; Kollin and Kavina Johnson, Quincy; Sterling Reichenbach, Bath; and Breanna Taylor, Gregory.

The week schedule was filled with contests and cattle showing. The Michigan juniors once again participated in several of the contests designed by the National Junior Angus Association to get junior members involved in learning more about their Angus cattle and how they can help to promote the breed.

Michigan was proud to have Patti Vaassen and DeeAnne Merriman represent the state in the competitive National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest. Patti Vaassen was a recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship awarded by the Angus Foundation. Michigan fielded a Quiz Bowl team consisting of Kendra Merriman, Justin Ruggles, Katie Reid, and Rachel Reid. We also had a team that tried their hand at fitting a heifer in competition, including Patti Vaassen, Dylan Kennedy, Kollin Johnson, and Sterling Reichenbach. Patti Vaassen won first place honors in the Senior Division of the Photography contest for her "landscape" photo entry.

Michigan teams also participated in the 28th annual Certified Angus Beef Cook-Off contest. The Senior team of Chelsea and Justin Ruggles, Rachel Reid, and DeeAnne Merriman won the Senior Team top honors with their "Bully-Free Beef Sandwiches" recipe and skit. They brought home awards for 1st place recipe, 1st place showmanship as well as 1st place overall in the 'Other Beef' Senior Division. Michigan's Intermediate team included Kollin and Kavina Johnson, Sterling Reichenbach and Breanna Taylor.

The Michigan juniors showed 21 head of cattle this year. Including bulls, steers, bred and owned heifers, and owned heifers. Congratulations to all of the juniors for their many accomplishments during the week! Everyone had a good time and is looking forward to next year's NJAS in Louisville, Kentucky.

auxiliary news

MICHIGAN'S SHOWMANSHIP CONTESTANTS SELECTED

DeeAnne Merriman, daughter of Joe and Sue Merriman of Lowell, and Patti Vaassen, daughter of Dan and Sharon Vaassen of Ann Arbor, represented Michigan in the 2011 National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest held during the National Junior Angus Show in Harrisburg, PA. The Michigan Angus Auxiliary coordinates and sponsors the showmanship selection class during the Michigan Jr. Angus Preview Show.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO STAY FREE FOR 3 NIGHTS?

The American Angus Auxiliary is giving away 3 nights at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Louisville, KY. Tickets are \$5/each for a chance to win this package. Drawing for the winning ticket will be at the 2011 NAILE. The three night package can be used at that time or anytime until July 30, 2012. This includes the All-American Breeders Futurity, June 2012, and the 2012 NJAS at Louisville. Deadline to purchase tickets is September 5, 2011.

Contact Michigan Angus Auxiliary President Sharon Vaassen for tickets at 734-663-8071 or svaassen@umich.edu

michigan angus educational program

Saturday, October 1 • 1 pm to 3 pm

Preceding the “Black Bonus” Sale at 6 pm, hosted by Omega Farms, Williamston

Michigan State University (MSU) researchers and the Michigan Beef Industry Commission will present an overview of the MSU Local Beef Project educational program developed to demonstrate a local supply system in East Lansing that can be replicated in communities throughout the state. The program will precede the Michigan Angus Association’s annual fall sale. The program and sale are hosted by Omega Farms in Williamston.

There is no cost for the educational program, but pre-registration is appreciated via the Michigan Angus Association web site www.michiganangus.org. For directions to the event, visit www.omegafarms.com.

Participants to the educational program may preview the sale cattle before and after the session. Dinner for all sale guests will be served at 5 p.m., and will be followed by the auction sale at 6 p.m.

MSU Extension specialist and assistant professor Jason Rowntree will kick off the educational program at 1 p.m. with an overview of the MSU local beef pilot project which utilizes MSU-raised beef cattle in MSU restaurants and cafeterias.

“Beef cattle bred and developed by Michigan State were processed with two goals: boosting the amount of locally produced food on campus and creating a system of tracking beef from the farm to the plate,” Rowntree said. “The cattle were processed in late May at off-campus commercial facilities. Frozen packages with barcode labels have made their way back to Michigan State and will be offered on residence hall menus this fall.”

MSU chefs were interested in not only locally sourced beef, but also the potential for full traceability of beef from the farm to the plate. MSU Extension specialist and associate professor Dan Buskirk is finding ways to prove the beef is local by utilizing RFID technology that has been mandatory in Michigan since 2007. Following Rowntree’s presentation, Buskirk will discuss how the MSU pilot program will begin putting the pieces in place to track beef from the farm to the consumer.

“We want to be able to trace individual animals from the farm to the plate,” Buskirk said. “By translating RFID ear tags to a barcode, pieces or packages of beef can be labeled with that code, tracing it back to the farm and the individual animal. Consumers currently look at a package that says local and they don’t know what that really means. There is not currently a commonly accepted definition for the word “local.” It could mean a certain number of miles from a given store or could indicate it originated in a state or even in a multi-state area.”

Buskirk is working on technology and a system that will enable a consumer to scan the barcode at a kiosk in the grocery store or by using a smart phone application. The code would link the consumer to information about the farm of origin and its management practices.

MSU Extension Educator Jeannine Schwehofer, will be joined by Michigan Beef Industry Commission Promotion Director George Quackenbush to present a “hands-on” cut out demonstration of the beef chuck shoulder clod.

“Utilizing more parts of the beef carcass was a very important part of the pilot project to the MSU foodservice professionals,” Schwehofer said. “With some creative knife-work these single muscles produce tender, great tasting steaks and roasts that are easy to prepare and often moderately priced”

Traditionally cut into chuck roasts or used for ground chuck, the shoulder clod is the source of now popular value cuts: the Flat Iron steak – mid-priced, tender, juicy and flavorful; and the Ranch steak – versatile for every day meals on the grill, skillet or broiler. Schwehofer and Quackenbush will grill and serve tastes of Flat Iron and Ranch steaks during the program. A panel discussion inviting questions from the audience will wrap-up the two-hour presentation.

“FROM PASTURE TO PLATE AT MICHIGAN STATE – IDENTIFYING, DEVELOPING AND DELIVERING VALUE TO BEEF”

Michigan Local Beef Project Overview – Jason Rowntree, Ph.D., MSU

- Where the “Local Beef” project started and where it is now

Traceability component of Michigan Local Beef Project – Dan Buskirk, Ph.D., MSU

- The “Next Step” for Radio Frequency Identification (RFID)

“Meat Your Dinner” – Jeannine Schwehofer, Ph.D., MSU and George Quackenbush, Michigan Beef Industry Commission

- Beef Value Cuts and how they impact the industry
- Cutting demonstration of the Shoulder Clod
- Flat iron and shoulder center ranch steaks cut from the Shoulder Clod will be grilled and passed for tasting during demonstration
- How the Beef Checkoff promotes beef for the producer

Panel Discussion – Q/A with audience and participants

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM PANEL

Jason Rowntree, Ph.D. is originally from Kingwood, TX. He has degrees from Texas A&M, Mississippi State and Michigan State Universities and currently works at assistant professor in the Department of Animal Science at MSU. His expertise is in applied beef cattle production with an emphasis on local/regional pastured based productions systems. Jason is the faculty coordinator of the Lake City Research Center, Lake City, MI. The center includes 600 acres of pasture, 180 head of beef cattle breeding-age females, modern buildings and offices located in a geographic area of North America that is suitable for forage based livestock production. He and his team are focused on the mission of research and knowledge based problem solving to bring about, with the assistance of the industry and community, practical and common sense solutions to agricultural sustainability. Jason grew up competing in the Texas Junior Livestock Association. He has judged beef, sheep, and swine shows across the nation and was also the coach of the American Royal and National Champion Intercollegiate Livestock Judging Team at Michigan State University in 2000. He, his lovely wife Cara and their three children reside in Dansville, MI where they have a small Boer Goat herd bred for the youth livestock program. He is active in Holt Baptist Church where he is on the Missions and Praise Teams.

Daniel D. Buskirk, Ph.D. was raised on a livestock and grain farm in northern Indiana. He received his B.S. and M.S. from Purdue University in Animal Science and Ph.D. from the University of Illinois in Ruminant Nutrition. Dr. Buskirk joined the faculty of Michigan State University in 1996. Currently, as an Associate Professor/Beef Extension Specialist, he is a member of the MSU Beef Team and the MSU Extension Institute for Agriculture and Agribusiness, Food and Animal Systems Workgroup. Dr. Buskirk conducts statewide beef Extension programming, which includes serving as coordinator of the Upper Peninsula Research Center, Michigan Cattlemen’s Association/MSU Performance Bull Test, Michigan Beef Quality Assurance program, and as co-editor of the Cattle Call newsletter. He instructs introductory and advanced undergraduate beef cattle management courses at MSU. Dr. Buskirk’s research and Extension interests include beef nutrition and management practices that effect end-product quality, alternative beef systems, and beef identification and traceability systems.

Jeannine P. (Grobbe) Schwehofer, Ph.D. grew up on a livestock and grain farm in Richmond, Michigan. She attended Michigan State University and received her B.S. in animal science in 2002. While at MSU, she was a member of the meat and livestock judging teams. Jeannine attended Kansas State University and received her M.S. in 2004 and Ph.D. in 2007 in meat science. Her M.S. research related to modified atmosphere packaging and bone discoloration. While at Kansas State University she coordinated the Meat Chemistry and Color laboratories for a period of time. Her Ph.D. research looked at the effects of different modified atmosphere packaging systems and injection-enhancement on beef quality characteristics. Currently Jeannine is employed with Michigan State University Extension as the Meat Quality Extension Educator and is an adjunct assistant professor in the Department of Animal Science at Michigan State University. She works with livestock producers and meat processors throughout the state to enhance meat quality and safety. She and her husband, Ryan, farm together between Richmond and St. Clair, Michigan. They raise corn, soybeans, wheat, hay, and beef feedlot cattle.

George Quackenbush, Director of Promotions for the Michigan Beef Industry Commission, is responsible for managing, implementing, and evaluating beef checkoff programs in Michigan. Located near Lansing, George works closely with retailers, foodservice distributors and beef processors to provide beef industry information and coordinate promotion programs that will help grow the demand for beef and veal products. George was raised on a small family farm near Rose City, Michigan. He attended Michigan State University where he received a B.S. in Animal Science with an emphasis in Meat Science. While attending MSU, George worked at the meats laboratory where he participated in meat science research and learned traditional meat fabrication. Other industry experience includes work as a Quality Assurance Manager for Malcolm Meats in Toledo, Ohio and as an Assistant Manger at Dearborn Sausage Company in Dearborn.

QUESTIONS? Nancy Thelen, Michigan Angus Assn. Secretary at HillsideAcres01@aol.com

PLEASE REGISTER FOR THE PROGRAM: Submit the electronic form posted on www.michiganangus.org

Michigan Angus Association Black Bonus Sale

Saturday : October 1 : 6 p.m.

Omega Farms Sale Facility : 4900 M-52, Williamston

OVER 60 HEAD SELL
14 Pairs
16 Bred Females
19 Heifer Calves
1 Bull and 2 Steers

SCHEDULE: **Friday, September 30** 5:30 pm - Dinner and Barn Dance – All welcome!
Saturday, October 1 1-3 pm - Michigan Angus Association Educational Program
3-5 pm - Sale Cattle Preview • 5 pm - Dinner • 6 pm - Black Bonus Sale

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