

Simmental Yearling Weighs 1,705 Pounds

Big Red, a half-blood Simmental bull has broken the world yearling weight record

Bred and owned by International Simmental Co., Route 28, Kansas City, Mo., Big Red has been stationed at the Southwest Bull Evaluation Center at Frederick, Oklahoma

Upon reaching his first birthday, he was officially weighed by Laxton Malcom, county extension director, at 1,705 actual pounds

The bull is sired by Parisien, the first Simmental bull to be introduced into North America in 1967. The dam, a Brown Swiss and Angus cross cow, was bred from frozen semen from Parisien by artificial insemination, a service that is available throughout the U.S.

To date over a million dollars of semen from Parisien has been sold. He has been proven as a Golden Certified Meat Sire. Ken Holloway and Edgar Hamm, managers of the Southwest Bull Evaluation Center, observed that "Big Red is an outstanding example of the beef animal of the future... blending size and growthiness of the exotic Simmental breed of cattle with American cows descended from British Breeds. Hybrid vigor gives a big 'extra kick' to the growth process which Big Red so remarkably demonstrated by his fantastic growth in only one year."

Big Red entered the Bull Station weighing 870 pounds for testing. After 140 days on test he weighed 1,535 pounds with approximately 25 pounds of feed



Big Red, a Simmental, Brown Swiss, Angus cross, claims a new world yearling weight record. The bull managed to pack on a hefty 1,705 pounds in 365 days.

and roughage per day. His average daily gain was 4.75 pounds with a weight per day of age of 4.68 pounds then.

research program for more meat per day of age, semen from Big Red will be frozen and made available to Universities and

cattlemen throughout the U.S. After he reaches 2,000 pounds, plans are to offer Big Red for sale.

The previous three world record yearlings were claimed by Charolais, the latest yearling weight record being 1,685 pounds.

Big Red has been returned to the International Simmental Co. Ranch in Kansas City.

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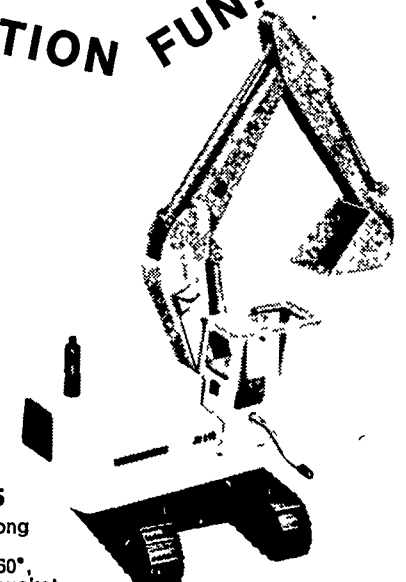
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