# U.S. To Host World Angus Forum

RAPID CITY, S.D.—The Angus world will be centered on the United States in 1993 when the American Angus Association hosts the Seventh World Angus Forum here September 19-21.

Representing virtually every major Angus breeding country in the world, breeders from 15 nations are expected to attend.

The World Forum was last held in the United States in 1973, according to Richard L. Spader, executive vice president of the American Angus Association and secretary of the World Aberdeen-Angus Secretariat, the parent organization of the Forum. The 1973 event was the Second World Angus Forum, held on the centennial anniversary of the first importation of Angus cattle into the United States. Argentina was host to the last Forum in 1989.

To give foreign guests and others a comprehensive look at the U.S. Angus and beef cattle industry, the American Angus Association is planning a unique Angus Across America tour, September 13-26. It will begin on Monday evening, September 13, in St. Joseph, Missouri, home of the American Angus Association. After an open house at the Association office, and a meeting of the delegates to the World Aberdeen-Angus Secretariat, the group will begin the first leg of the tour. They will view farming, cattle raising and feeding operations in Mis-

souri, Iowa, and eastern Nebraska. After a visit to Husker Harvest Days near Hastings, Neb., guests will travel through the famed Nebraska Sandhills ranch country and arrive in Rapid City, on Saturday, September 18.

The World Forum is set for Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, September 19-21. It will kick off with a cattle disply, Native American dancing, an Old West Barbecue dinner, and a trip to the famed Mt. Rushmore National Monument for the dramatic night lighting ceremony.

The formal program Monday, September 20, will explore the theme, "ANGUS-A World of Opportunity." Speakers will outline how Angus cattle fit into the world beef production scheme. Special guest speaker at the noon lunch will be NASA Astronaut

and Angus Breeder Mark Lee. In addition, country representatives will report on the status of Angus cattle and the Angus business around the world.

On Tuesday, September 21, the Black Hills Angus Association will sponsor a tour of the Black Hills and cattle operations in the area. The tour will complete the three-day World Forum program. At that point the short version of the Angus Across America tour will return to St. Joseph and Kansas City, traveling east across South Dakota then south through eastern Iowa. The remainder of the group will leave Rapid City for the second half of the "Angus Across America" tour. This portion of the tour will take a close look at the Angus business in Montana, and join, for one day, the famous Montana Angus tour.

Later the group will travel through Yellowstone National Park, and Grand Teton National Park before arriving at the International Airport in Denver, Colorado, on Sunday, September 26.

Three options will be offered to those interested in the World Forum and Angus Across America tour. The most extensive will be the 14-day package including the full Angus Across America tour and the World Angus Forum program. Second is the first half of the Angus Across America tour and the World Angus Forum. Third option will be the three-day World Angus Forum in Rapid City, South Dakota.

Tour and Forum registration information is available from the American Angus Association, 3201 Frederick Blvd., St. Joseph, Missouri 64506, (816)233-3101.

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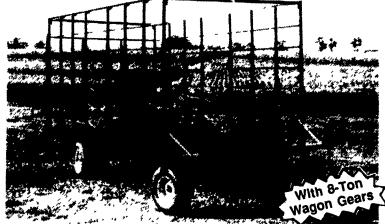
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