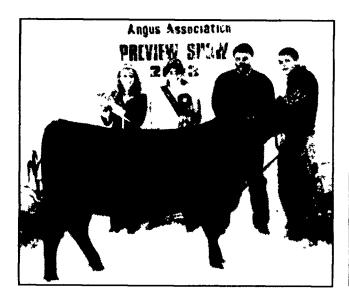
Maryland Junior Angus Preview Show Posts Results

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The champion bred and owned heifer, Windy Ridge Miss Shadoe, was exhibited by Chad Hahn of Rocky Ridge.



The reserve champion cow/calf, Champion Hill Lady 2356, was exhibited by Ryan Frank,



The reserve champion Angus steer, JSAR MR 170E, was exhibited by Morgan Meisenheimer, Mt. Airy.

AHIR Program To Include Younger Calves

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. — The American Angus Association has made enhancements to the Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) program for weaning weights by expanding the age window to now include calves as young as 120 days, while also adopting a new formula for adjusting 205-day weights.

The change will benefit producers moving to earlier weaning programs and was effective on June 8.

For genetic evaluation and contemporary group ratios, weaning weights are standardized to a calf age of 205 days and a mature dam equivalent.

Previously, only weaning weights from a range of 160 to 280 days were adjusted to 205-day weights and included in the American Angus Association National Cattle Evaluation (NCE).

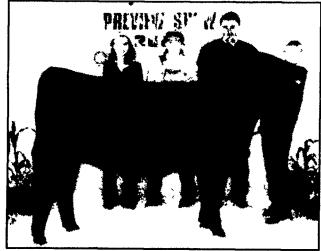
As a result, calves weaned earlier than 160 days of age did not receive the 205-day adjusted weights, and their data did not contribute to genetic predictions.

"Lowering the minimum age requirement for taking

weaning weights will provide breeders more flexibility for taking these measurements, permitting younger calves to remain in their respective contemporary groups to better fit the management system that may be in place," says Bill Bowman, director of performance programs for the

In addition, the new nonlinear adjustment formula performs a more reliable job of the calculation of adjusted weights on the calves that are on the outer bounds of the age windows.





The reserve champion owned heifer, PVF Proven Queen, was exhibited by Brittany Full.

Low Crawford SCC Herds For June

CRAWFORD COUNTY HERDS WITH A RHA	SCC LESS THAN 200 TOWN		RHA SCC	#COWS
Crawford County, Pennsylvania				
JAMES + JANET HUNTER	MEADVILLE	н	86	
GARY LEE & PATRICIA MASE	COCHRANTON	H	100	28
TODD & ANN KANTZ .	CONNEAUT LAKE	x	102	24
RANDY & BARBARA WHITMAN	ADAMSVILLE	H	153	48
RON&JANET TROYER	CENTERVILLE	н	154	112
DANIEL D BYLER	GUYS MILLS	H	167	37
GARY LEE & PATRICIA MASE	COCHRANTON	В	167	48
DANA AND RALPH MARTIN	SPARTANSBURG	H	171	42
DANIEL H DICKEY	ESPYVILLE	н	184	32
ALLEN FARMS	CONNEAUT LAKE	x	188	105
DOUG & DEBRA FIELY	SPRINGBORO	н	188	31

GREENE SUMMIT FARM	ERIE	н	171	80
Mercer County, Pennsylvania				
VAN DE JERSEY	TRANSFER	A		14
WESTER JERSEY FARM	Jamestown	J	136	106
STEVENSON, ROY	GREENVILLE	H	149	46
SHEARER, TROY & ELIZABETH	SANDY LAKE	В	152	10
VAN DE JERSEY	transfer	J	161	174
VAN DE JERSEY	Transfer	B	185	34
Warren County, Pennsylvania				
NICKEDSON PAGE 2	CORRY	н	197	382

NCGA Releases 'World Of Corn 2003'

ST. LOUIS, Mo. - The National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) has released The World of Corn 2003, the nation's only comprehensive almanac and one-stop shop for corn industry information.

"NCGA has taken the lead for more than a decade in producing World of Corn as a service to its more than 32,000 members, as well as all of agriculture, government and academia" said NCGA President Fred Yoder.

The World of Corn includes statistics on NCGA's six primary focus issues — ethanol, trade, research and new uses, biotechnology, transportation and farm policy - as well as consumption, export and production data, contacts within NCGA, its affiliated state associations, and the agriculture industry.

Yoder noted the World of Corn 2003 is dedicated to all the

individuals "who help make our world go round," and this year's issue introduces readers to six of them. "Their stories reflect a diversity of backgrounds but share a common passion for corn and its potential," said the Plain City, Ohio, corn grower. "All play vital roles in the six core corn and its potential. All play vital roles in the six core theaters of action where NCGA is heavily involved.

"World of Corn 2003 tells our story from six personal viewpoints," Yoder continued. "As you read, you will meet other corn growers, a barge captain, a scientist, a public servant and a corn trader. And you'll also gain insight into how your investment in NCGA is paying

Yoder concluded by stating the World of Corn is meant as a tool to reach out to the everyday producers who make agriculture the strong industry it is.

"Like many corn growers, I'm

deeply interested in talking to the other people who live day to day with the concerns and issues that affect us all," he said. "At the end of the day, our mission is

about people, their aspirations and their vision for the world of

"Together we are 32,000 voices strong and making a difference."

The World of Corn 2003 is available at NCGA's Website, www.ncga.com, and also as an insert in the April edition of Corn and Soybean Digest.



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