

2016 North Carolina Angus Association Down East Sale Summary

The 2016 North Carolina Angus Association's Down East Sale was held on Saturday, November 5th at the Sampson County Livestock Arena in Clinton, NC. A special thank you goes to Roy Outlaw and the sale committee for bringing together a fine group of consignors and cattle. Cattle producers from all across North Carolina and surrounding states gathered for the event. Auctioneer EB Harris opened the sale with a heartfelt tribute to all the men and women in the audience who have served our country and battled for our freedoms. Then it was time to begin the sale.

The top selling female was a bred cow offered by Craven Angus Farm of Seagrove, NC. Lot 3 Scarletts Upward Pride 2U13 a daughter of the popular Sitz Upward 307R sold to Avery Brighton Owens of Owens Family Farm in Roanoke Rapids, NC for \$2000. She was bred to calve in early December to 1714 Oakview Impression. Travis Farm from West End, NC consigned the next two high selling bred cows with lots 9 and 13. Both were high performing SynGen Trust 6228 daughters bred to 4K Prophet C502 for spring calves. They sold to Jimmy Lynch of Kinston, NC for \$1400. Highlands Farm of Morganton, NC consigned the high selling cow/calf pair. A BCC Bushwacker 41-93 daughter, Lot 2 STF Bushwacker Girl 210 sold with her early fall born bull calf sired by Gambles SG 1524 to James Barefoot of Apex, NC for \$1700.

Angus bred heifers were in demand at the sale. Lots 19 and 20 consigned by Panther Creek Farms of Pink Hill top this category. Lot 20 a powerful female from the Panther Creek Forever Lady family sold to Zack Hayes for \$1500 while lot 19 PCF Blackcap 402 out of Chimney Top Upward Z28 sold to Jimmy Lynch for \$1350. Both females were bred to EBS 6025-407 for early spring calves.

TF Dr. Right consigned by Travis Farms was the high selling bull. A Lombardi son with influence from Leachman Right Time on the dam's side, sold for \$2300 to Michael Sholar of Beulaville, NC.

H&D Angus of Snow Camp, NC consigned a special set of females to the sale. Due to the loss of a pasture lease they needed to sell all the cows from the farm. Many of the females had A.I. calves at side sired by prominent bulls in the Angus breed including: SAV Final Answer 0035, Sitz Upward 307R, Connealy In Sure 8524 and SAV Angus Valley 1867. Lot 76 H&D 3705 of Boyd New Day was the top selling pair. She sold, along with her SAV Final Answer heifer calf born in September, to T & T Farms of Wadesboro for \$1900. Other high selling pairs included lot 75 Stuart Witch 509 with her September born SAV Angus Valley bull calf. This pair was purchased by Evening Star Ranch for \$1800. Madison Taylor Owens of Owens Family Farm bought lot 63 a GAR New Design 5050 female along with her Connealy In Sure 8524 heifer calf for \$1750.

The Angus influenced bred heifers consigned by Vandemark Angus were a sale highlight each selling for \$1600. All four of the SimAngus females were bred to calve early winter to Vandes Magnitude 0546. They were such a uniform group of heifers Taylor Best of Deep Run, NC decided to purchase all four females to add to his herd. A new consignor to the Down East

Sale, Mills Farms of Trenton, NC brought out a nice set of open, ready to breed Angus Influenced heifers. James Sutton of LaGrange obtained five of these black and black white face females for \$1175 each.

Volume buyers for the sale included Thomas Matthis of Clinton, Gary Boggs of Burlington, Jimmy Lynch of Kinston and James Sutton of LaGrange. Total sale gross was \$85,325. Thank you to the consignors and all the buyers for making this another successful sale.

A special thank you to Mark Wilburn for the sale color comments, Neil Bowman and Darryl Howard for serving as ring men and Donna Outlaw, Bambi Craven and Abby Lamb for their assistance in clerking the sale. Also thanks to the North Carolina Junior Angus for providing a great lunch.

Mark your calendars now for the 2017 "Down East Sale" to be held on Saturday, November 4th at the Sampson County Livestock Arena, Clinton, NC.