The 2018 North Carolina Angus Association's Down East Sale was held on Saturday, November 3rd at Edwards Land & Cattle Company in Beulaville, NC. A special thank you to Roy Outlaw and the sale committee for bringing together a fine group of consignors and cattle. Also thanks to the Edward's family for once again making us feel very welcome in their sale facility. For the second year, the barn was a great venue for the sale and many of our buyers were excited to be able to view the cattle in the outside pens. Auctioneer EB Harris opened the sale with a tribute to all the men and women in the audience who have served our country. Then it was time to sell the Angus female being offered.

Fall pairs were the highlight of the sale with many of the pairs featuring heifer calves at side. The top selling pair was lot 34 and 34A consigned by Panther Creek Farms of Pink Hill. PCF Power of Journey 612 was a WR Journey-1X74 two year old female stemming from the Panther Creek Farms Power cow family. She sold with her September born heifer calf sired by PCF Absolute 688. Edwards Land and Cattle Company purchased the pair for \$2,150. Tim Clifton purchased lot 35 and 35A another Panther Creek Farm consignment, another WR Journey-1X74 female selling with her October heifer calf. Lot 21X and 21XA consigned by Wood Angus, LLC of Willow Spring was the second high selling pair in the sale. Lot 21X, Wood Madame Pride 6314 had the influence of the SAV program on both sides of her pedigree, sired by SAV Registry 2831 and her dam was SAV Madame Pride 1136. She sold for \$2,100 along with her October heifer calf to Adam Grady of Kenansville.

The top selling bred heifers were consigned by H&D Angus of Snow Camp, NC. Lot 38 H&D 516 Progress a Williams Progress 211 daughter sold to Adam Grady for \$2,100. Jaime Dubeibe of Bear Creek, NC purchased the second high selling bred heifer H&D 3316 Progress for \$2,000. Both females were due to calve in early winter.

In the fall bred cows, lot 19 H&D 8715 consigned by H&D Angus sold to Jaime Dubeibe \$1,900. This Connealy In Sure 8524 daughter was bred to Williams Progress 211. Lot 17 PCF Zara Belle 431, a Springfield Complete 1084 daughter consigned by Edwards Land & Cattle Co. also sold to Jaime Dubeibe for \$1,800.

Volume buyers for the sale included Jaime Dubeibe of Bear Creek, Jason Phillips of Warsaw and Adam Grady of Kenansville. Cowbuyer.com served as the sale's online bidding option and lot 30 sold to Jacob Hamilton via cowbuyer. Total sales gross was \$61,300. Thank you to the consignors and all the buyers for making this sale possible.

A special thank you to Neil Bowman for the sale color comments, Henry Craven and Dustin O'Neal for serving as ring men, Donna Outlaw and Bambi Craven for their assistance in clerking the sale. Also thanks to the North Carolina Junior Angus for providing a great lunch.

Plan now for the 2019 "Down East Sale" to be held on Saturday, November 2nd at Edwards Land & Cattle Company in Beulaville, NC.