

37th Annual North Carolina Angus Association Spring Fever Sale

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The 37th Annual North Carolina Angus Spring Fever Sale was held April 24th at the Shuffler Farm Sale facility in Union Grove, NC. There were some clouds and showers that day but it did not deter the buyers from coming out to see the fine offering in the sale. Over seventy live and frozen lots were sold for a sales gross of \$227,800 with an average of \$3,631 on the fifty eight live lots. The sale was managed by Zach Moffitt Cattle Marketing & Consulting of Concord, NC. The consignors along with Zach worked really hard showcasing the females before and during the sale. The offering included cow/calf pairs, bred heifers, open heifers, NC Elite heifers and show heifer prospects plus semen and embryos. There were lots of visitors on Friday afternoon to view the cattle and as always people arrived early on Saturday morning to see the cattle and to visit with their fellow Angus enthusiasts. The crowd filled the sale arena and at noon Colonel Mike Jones kicked off the very success auction. Thank you to the North Carolina Junior Angus Association for preparing lunch and to the North Carolina Angus Auxiliary for decorating the sale ring.



The North Carolina Angus Elite Heifers were the highlight of the sale. To qualify for the Elite Heifer status the females must meet a stringent set of performance and breeding guidelines. The consignors continue to make the extra effort to have their top quality heifers meet the standards and this year twenty-two of the bred heifer consignments were awarded Elite Heifer status. The Elite Heifers sold for \$79,900 for an average of \$3,540. Lot 45 selling for \$8,250 was the high selling Elite

Heifer. She was a Bar R Jet Black 5063 daughter bred to the popular Mead Magnitude consigned by Panther Creek Farms of Pink Hill. Lot 45 was purchased by High Ridge Farms in Albemarle. Scarlett Farms consigned the Lot 49 Elite Heifer, a Goforth Admiral daughter also bred to Mead Magnitude. She sold to Edisto Pines in South Carolina for \$6,750. Other NC Angus Elite Heifer consignors included: Bridges Beef Cattle, Britt Family Farms, Fulcher Farms, Goforth Angus, H&D Angus, Shuffler Farm and Windy Hill Farms. Elite Heifers sold into North Carolina, South Carolina, New York and Virginia. An additional stand out bred heifer include lot 47 consigned by Shuffler Farm. A Baldrige Bronc daughter who sold to Circle D Farms for \$4,000. In total thirty-three bred heifers sold for \$111,500 to average \$3,378.



For many years the fall bred cows with big stout calves have been the reason buyers come to the Spring Fever Sale and once again there was a strong set of these pairs. The top fall pair, selling for \$10,000, was Lot 10 and 10A consigned by Crescent Angus Farm of Statesville. Lot 10, CAF Sabrina DD 3897, was a power packed daughter of Jindra Double Vision with S Chisum 6175 on her maternal side. This high performance female was bred to DL Wheel House for a fall calf and she sold to Zach Swaim of Mocksville. Her standout October born heifer calf by Musgrave 316



Stunner sold to Cigar City Cattle Company of Tampa, FL. Hi-Lo Farms of Fuquay-Varina consigned lots 1 and 1A selling for \$5,800. Lot 1, Hi Lo Esther, was sired by Baldrige Colonel C251 with the ever popular GAR Prophet on the dam's side. Lot 1 sold to Circle D Angus Farm in China Grove. Lot 1A her Mead Magnitude heifer calf was purchased by Windy Hill Farms of Ramseur. The high selling bull pair was offered by Chase Angus of Sanford. Lot 9 Chase Discovery of 2095 703 and her GAR Combustion bull calf sold for \$4,800. Gregory Hooker purchased the cow and Perry's Angus Farm purchased the bull calf. The sixteen fall cow/calf pairs sold \$73,050 to average \$4,565.

The open heifer, lot 21, consigned by Hidden Hills Angus of Cleveland was the standout of this division. Hidden Hills Rita 372H was a stout yet feminine January heifer calf sired by Byergo Black Magic 3348 with Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36 on the bottom side. Lot 21 was purchased by 2 Ten Cattle Company of Vining, MN for \$6,250. Highlands Farm of Connelly Springs consigned the high selling show heifer prospect, lot 27 HAF Rita of Primo 320 a super stylish open heifer that sold to Carolina Scarlett of Asheboro for \$4,300. Nine open heifers sold for \$26,100 to average \$2,900.



The frozen lots also made a positive impact in the sale. Fulcher Farms of Godwin offered two units of the now deceased bull Connealy Clarity. The semen generated extensive bidding in the house and online. When the gavel dropped the semen sold for \$1,000 per unit to Shelton Angus Farm of Gretna, VA. Crazy 8 Angus of Vale consigned the high selling embryos, offering three IVF embryos by Connealy Clarity and Rita 9K9 5GN1 Method these embryos went to Black Cedar Angus of Advance for \$2,400.

Volume buyers were Harve Creek Cattle Company, Gregory Hooker and 2 Ten Cattle Company. The sale was also broadcast live on CCI.LIVE, selling cattle and embryos into North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Texas, Minnesota and New York.



Thanks to AAA Regional Manager Reese Tuckwiller, Joe Hampton, Neil Bowman, Teresa Swisher, Suzanne Brewer and Jennie Rucker for helping to work the sale. Also thank you to the Spring Fever Sale Committee, especially Brent Scarlet and Daniel Wall for working with all the consignors and to Colonel Mike Jones and Zach Moffitt all for making the sale a success. We look forward to seeing everyone again next spring for the 38th Annual Spring Fever Sale.

