



Cow Chips
May/June 2013

Make plans to attend Angus weekend for entire family

The GAA will be hosting the 2013 Southern National Angus Show set for June 6-8 in Perry at the Georgia National Fairgrounds. Angus enthusiasts are invited to take part in this year's event - *"The Biggest Little Show in the South."*

Check-in will take place on June 6, followed by a watermelon cutting at 5:00 p.m. All junior Angus enthusiasts are invited to attend the GJAA Pool Party beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Ramada Inn.

The Southern National Junior Angus Show will be kicked-off on Friday, June 7 at 9:00 a.m. Juniors 9-21 years-old can compete in showmanship, bred-and-owned heifer, bred-and-owned bull, owned heifer, cow/calf pair and steer classes. A special Novice Showmanship contest will also be held. In addition, Georgia's two delegates to the 2013 National Junior Showmanship competition will be selected. The junior show will be judged by John McCurry of Burton, Kansas.

Also on Friday, the GAA Board of Directors will hold a Board Meeting following the junior show. The Georgia Angus Auxiliary will hold a Reception at 5:00 p.m. open to everyone and then their annual meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Roquemore Building at the fairgrounds. All ladies are invited to attend the annual meeting.

The Auxiliary will be holding several contests for juniors and adults including photography, poster, and

quiz bowl. Visit the GAA website for more information at www.georgiaangus.org. Winners will be announced during the Auxiliary Reception.



On Saturday, June 8, open entries will compete in the Southern National Angus Open Show beginning at 9:00 a.m. Exhibitors will exhibit entries in the female show, bull show, cow/calf classes and group classes. In addition, a supreme champion will be named. The open show will be judged by Kyle Conley of Sulphur, Oklahoma.

A silent auction will be held during the 2-day event to help raise funds that will offset show expenses. Please plan to bring an item for the auction and to bid on the many wonderful items that will be available.

The Southern National Angus Show Committee, led by Larry Bramblett, Smitty Lamb, Harvey Lemmon, Andrew McPeake and Christy Page are expecting more than 100 head of Angus cattle from across the southeast to exhibit at this year's event. Show and sponsor information is available online at www.georgiaangus.org. Entry and sponsorship deadline is May 20. The committee is seeking award sponsors. Please contact Christy Page at 770-307-7178 or info@georgiaangus.org if you would like to sponsor an award or have questions about the show.

"THE BIGGEST LITTLE SHOW IN THE SOUTH"

Georgia National Fairgrounds - Perry, GA

Junior Judge: John McCurry, Burton, KS

Open Judge: Kyle Conley, Sulphur, OK

Schedule of Events

Thursday, June 6, 2013

- 8 a.m. Begin Receiving Cattle
- 3 - 5 p.m. Cattle Check-in
- 5 p.m. Watermelon Cutting
- 6 p.m. GJAA Pool Party
- 6 p.m. Auxiliary Contest Deadline



Friday, June 7, 2013

- 9 a.m. Junior Show & Silent Auction
Cow/Calf Pairs, Bred-and-Owned Bulls, Steers, Bred-and-Owned Heifers, Owned Heifers, Showmanship
- 5 p.m. Georgia Angus Auxiliary Reception
- 6 p.m. Georgia Angus Auxiliary Annual Meeting

Saturday, June 8, 2013

- 9 a.m. Open Show & Silent Auction
Cow/Calf Pairs, Heifers, Bulls, Supreme Champion, Get-of-Sire, Junior Get-of-Sire, Breeder Six Head

Save the date! GAA to host fall event

The GAA Membership & Recruitment Committee is putting together a GAA Fall Seminar that will be held September 14, 2013 in Tifton, Ga. The one day seminar will target beef producers in Georgia with an emphasis on attracting commercial producers in the southern region of the state. The tentative schedule includes Keynote Speaker Gary D. Fike, Beef Cattle Specialist for Certified Angus Beef and Rodney Schoenbine, Zoetis to discuss GE-EPDs powered by HD 50K and the impact on Angus Production. Lunch will be provided.





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Letter from your President

Greetings!

I hope everyone has had a good spring. It seems as if winter does not want to give up as easily this year or maybe it is we have just gotten use to going straight from winter into summer. Either way, we have had more wet and cold than we are accustomed to for this time of year.

A strong sale season has taken place this spring including the Southeast Angus showcase sale at the Georgia Beef Expo. We had the best association sponsored sale that we have had in several years. A big thank you to all of the consignors for putting together a really good set of females.

The Southern National committee has been hard at work planning another great event this year. Make plans now to come out and support your association and visit with other breeders June 6-8. The committee has a busy and full weekend planned. They are also asking for sponsorships for the various awards. Give Christy a call if you would like to help out.

Another new event that we are planning for this year is the field day scheduled for September 14 at ABAC. This event will be geared toward the commercial producers in the southern part of the state and will also include a genetics seminar and a mini trade show. This will be a very informative and fun event. Make plans now to be with us to promote our breed and association in what we hope will become a yearly event.

Take the opportunity to attend these events to hear some informative speakers and support your association.



Mike McCravy

Sale Report

- Ogeechee Angus Farms - 80 Angus Lots Grossed \$408,500 and Averaged \$5,106.
- Maternal Matrons Female Sale - 45 Lots Grossed \$126,275 and Averaged \$2,806.
- Bridges Angus Farm - 76 Lots Grossed \$374,350 and Averaged \$4,925.
- Bricton Farm - 70 Lots Grossed \$416,500 and Averaged \$5,950.
- Friendship Farms - 50 Lots Grossed \$398,300 and Averaged \$7,966.
- Southeast Angus Showcase Sale - 42 Lots Grossed \$121,600 and Averaged \$2,895.



To submit information for upcoming issues of *Cow Chips* or to place an ad, please e-mail information to info@georgiaangus.org

Do you want to advertise in the GAA Cow Chips?

Advertising space is available in the May/June Cow Chips:

Advertising Rates:

Full Page - \$100 1/2 Page - \$75 1/4 Page - \$50 Business Card - \$25

NEW: Classified Ads Free for GAA and GJAA Members. Send 25 words or less and contact information

Advertising Deadline: June 20, 2013
Submit all ads to info@georgiaangus.org

Educational opportunities available to all cattle producers

GAA member Britt Farms, Hartwell, Ga., will be hosting a conference and field day May 31 - June 1 and invite all cattlemen to attend. Sponsored by Britt Farm, the Georgia Simmental and Simbrah Association, there will be many education opportunities available for all cattlemen alike.

Schedule:

Friday May 31, 2013

- 6:00 p.m. Steak Dinner*
- 7:00 p.m. Welcome
- 7:10 p.m. Utilizing Forages - *Kevin Yon, Yon Family Farms*
- 8:00 p.m. Breeders Forum - Panel of Breeders: *Lydia Yon, Yon Family Farms; Randy Daniel, Paritsover Ranch; Doug Gibbs, Gibbs Farms*

*For meal planning purposes please RSVP to Holly Alford at 706-270-3994 or holly@cattleindemand.com

Saturday June 1, 2013

- 10:00 a.m. Welcome & Introductions
- 10:15 a.m. Jr Judging Contest (Cash Prizes)
- 11:15 a.m. Marketing Your Feeder Calves - *Todd Stephens, Northeast Georgia Livestock*
- 11:30 a.m. Minerals & Supplements - *Andrew McPeake, Vitaferm*
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch - *Sponsored by Britt Farm & Vitaferm*
- 1:15 p.m. Update from Georgia Cattlemen's Association - *David Gazda, GCA President*
- 1:30 p.m. Recognition of Judging Contest Winners
- 2:00 p.m. Freeze Branding Demo & Baleage Demo

All activities will take place at Britt Angus Farm, 724 E & M Dairy Road, Hartwell, GA 30643. The farm is located 3 miles southwest of Hartwell, GA off Hwy 172. Contact Todd Alford 706-270-3994 or Holly Alford 706-270-3994 for more details.

Cattlemen's Boot Camp set for Clemson University

Cattle producers should mark their calendars for an educational opportunity slated for June 3-4 at the Poole Ag Center in Clemson, S.C. The Cattlemen's Boot Camp is a 1 ½ day event hosted by Clemson University, the American Angus Association®, and the Angus Foundation and is open to all seedstock and commercial cattle producers.

Grazing management, herd health, marketing, reproductive performance and bull buying strategies are a few of the topics that will be discussed by industry experts from Clemson University, the American Angus Association, Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB), University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the University of Georgia.

The \$75 registration covers all meals and educational materials. Enrollment is limited, so register by May 20 to ensure a place in the Boot Camp. A hotel block is established for the Boot Camp attendees at the James F. Martin Inn. Call the hotel at 888-654-9020 and use Group Folio #10905 to receive the University rate.

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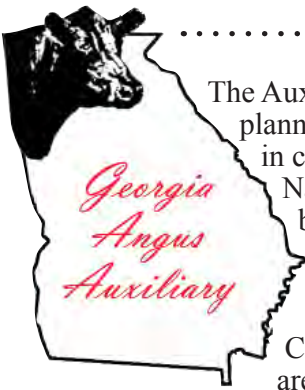
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"The winds are changing. Exciting news coming this August."



The Auxiliary is hard at work planning for our events being held in conjunction with the Southern National Show. We will once again be sponsoring contests in addition to hosting a reception and conducting our annual meeting.

Contests being offered this year are Photography, Poster, Essay and Quiz Bowl Written Exam. Entry

forms are due to Melissa Miller by May 20, 2013.

Additionally, all photos and essays must be emailed to Melissa no later than June 6, 2013. The actual photos, posters and essays must be turned into Melissa in the Beef and Dairy Arena by 6:00 PM on Thursday, June 6,

2013. The complete rules and entry forms can be found on the Georgia Angus website at www.georgiaangus.org. Please note, the contests are open to all Angus enthusiasts attending the show including individuals from states outside of Georgia. Winners will be announced at the reception on Friday.

The Auxiliary will be hosting a reception on Friday, June 7, at 5:00 PM and everyone is invited to join us for a time of good food and fellowship. We'll need people to help with set up, food preparation and clean up so please let me or Holly Alford know if you'd like to volunteer.

The Auxiliary will conduct our

annual meeting beginning at 6:00 PM on the 7th. I'd like to encourage all the ladies to plan on attending and if you haven't joined, please get involved.

I hope to see all of you at Southern Nationals and encourage you to participate in the Auxiliary sponsored events during the weekend!

God Bless,

Tanya Eidson



Tanya Eidson, *President*

You and your family are cordially invited to attend a Georgia Angus Auxiliary reception in the Roquemore Building At 5:00 PM, Friday, June 7, 2013 in conjunction with the Southern National Angus Show Contest award winners will be recognized at the reception.



The Annual Meeting of the Auxiliary will begin at 6:30 PM in the Roquemore Building. All ladies are encouraged to attend.

For questions or to RSVP, please contact Tanya Eidson: teidson@windstream.net

Headquarters Hotel: Ramada Inn (formerly Holiday Inn) 478/987-3313 • Ask for GAA Block Rate \$62.99

Congratulations

- To Christa Royster and Wesley Perry who were united in marriage on April 27, 2013. Christa is a past GJAA member and the daughter of GAA members Tim and Donna Royster of Dacula, Ga.
- To GJAA member Abbey Gretsch, Crawfordville, Ga., who was recently elected as the Georgia FFA North Region Vice President. This election was made during the 2013 State FFA Convention in Macon. Her parents are GAA members Fred and Anne Gretsch.
- To GAA member David Gazda, Athens, Ga., who was elected as the Georgia Cattlemen's Association President during the GCA Convention & Industry Trade Show April 4-6, 2013 in Perry. David and his wife Carolyn own Gazda Cattle Co.
- To Kyle and Jennifer Gillooly, Wadley, Ga., on the birth of their daughter Diana Kate Gillooly born April 4, 2013. Diana weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. and was born at 5:07 p.m. Her big brother is Grant.
- To Chris and Ashley Phillips on the birth of their son Colt Matthew Phillips who was born December 27, 2012 at 4:28 p.m. He weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz. and was 18 inches long. Chris is the manager at Acres Away in Hamapton, Ga.
- To Carl and Ashli Stalvey, Ray City, Ga., on the birth of their son Carl "Metts" Stalvey who was born December 15, 2012. He weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz. and was 21 inches long. His big brothers are John Haven and Autrey.



Gretsch



Gazda

The Junior Corner - News from the Georgia Junior Angus Association

Greetings Everybody!

Hope everybody is enjoying this nice weather, and everybody had a great school year.

We have a big event coming up this June during the 2013 Southern National Angus Show. We will be having a junior social at the Ramada Inn on June 6 at 6:00 p.m. We will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs, and bring your bathing suits because we will also be swimming at the hotel pool. During the junior social we will have a brief meeting to elect the 2013 GJAA officers and directors, and go over other events coming up this summer.

If you would like to be an officer or director make sure you have paid the junior membership fee.

I have listed below the deadlines of the Southern National and NJAS contest deadlines.

Southern National deadlines:

- Photography Contest- May 20th
- Poster Contest- May 20th
- Writing Contest- May 20th
- Quiz bowl- May 20th

Entry forms for the Southern National Contests can be found at www.georgiaangus.org and must be turned in by May 20 to Melissa Miller at 343 Oconee River

Attention High School Seniors

Junior Angus members that are graduating seniors are eligible for the GJAA scholarship. Two \$500 scholarships are traditionally awarded one to a girl and one to a boy. Interested applicants should email GJAA Advisor Julie Throne at throneja@hotmail.com for a scholarship application. The completed application must be received by May 24th. Scholarship recipients must be current GJAA members and are for this year's graduating high school seniors.



Cir., Athens, GA 30605 or Millerm@uga.edu. Actual photos, essays, and posters are due June 6, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. to Melissa Miller in the Beef and Dairy Arena.

The following are the NJAS contest deadlines:

- All American Certified Angus Beef Cook-Off- May 15.
- NJAA Photography Contest- May 15.
- NJAA Graphic Design Contest- May 15.
- NJAA Public Speaking Contest- May 25.
- NJAA Video Competition- May 15.

Remember to get your entry forms posted marked by their due dates. If you are competing in the Senior Public Speaking Contest, this year's specified topic is to discuss the current cow inventory and its impact on the beef industry. Also if you are doing the video competition this year's topic is produce a commercial that promotes the National Junior Angus Association. I hope to see all of you juniors at Southern Nationals and at the Junior Social.

Sincerely,

Shelby Eidson
GJAA President

Junior Social

- When:** Thursday, June 6, 2013
- Where:** Ramada Inn, Perry, GA
- Time:** 6:00 p.m.
- Activities:** Pool Party, Cook-Out and Meeting
- What to Bring:** Towel, bathing suit and a junior Angus friend!



**2013 Southern National Angus Show Sponsorships
June 7-8, 2013 ♦ Perry, GA**

 Yes, I want to help the Southern National Angus Show continue to grow!

Please sign me up to be the following Award Sponsor

\$50.00 – Junior Show Champion Sponsor _____

\$50.00 – Open Show Division Champion Sponsor _____

\$100.00 – Open Show Champion Sponsor _____

\$150.00 – Supreme Champion Sponsor _____



Please sign me up to be a Silent Auction Sponsor

Item _____ Retail Value \$ _____

 Item enclosed I will bring my silent auction to the show with me.

 Please accept this donation in the amount of \$ _____ to purchase a silent auction item.

Other Donations

 Please accept this donation in the amount of \$ _____ to be used to help with other show expenses.

NOTE: Please list name and/or farm name as you would like it to appear in the show program.

Farm Name _____

Name _____

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Phone _____ E-mail _____

Please return this completed form no later than May 20, along with a check made payable to the:

**Georgia Angus Association
Christy Page, Executive Secretary
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Thank you for your support of the Southern National Angus Show!

Georgia Angus Association

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Calendar of Events

May 2013

29 UGA Calhoun HERD Sale - Calhoun

June 2013

3-4 Cattlemen's Boot Camp - Clemson, SC

6 GJAA Meeting & Social

7-8 Southern Nat'l Angus Shows - Perry

7 GA Angus Auxiliary Reception & Meeting - Perry



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