2017 CULPEPER SENIOR BCIA BULL SALE RESULTS
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The Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement Association hosted the 60th Annual Culpeper Senior Bull Sale on Saturday, December 9, 2017 at Culpeper Agricultural Enterprises near Culpeper, Virginia. Fifty-four fall-born bulls representing the top end of the 111 bulls developed sold for an average price of $3096. The sale included 52 Angus bulls which averaged $3131, and 2 Gelbvieh Balancers at $2200.

The high-selling bull was Angus Lot 58, consigned by Lucas Farms from Blacksburg, Virginia and sold to Semex of Guelph, Ontario, Canada for $8000. This September 2016 son of CTS Remedy 1T01 had a test YW ratio of 110 and test ADG ratio of 113, along with +85 WW EPD, +161 YW EPD, +0.78 MB EPD, +0.81 RE EPD, and +195 $B.

Lot 16 led a strong and popular set of bulls consigned by Soldiers’ Hill Angus Farm, Warrenton, VA which sold to Bundy Farm, Inc. of Lebanon, Virginia for $6000. This GAR Prophet son posted EPDs of +82 WW, +140 YW, +1.26 MB, +0.78 MB, +95 $W, and +162 $B along with test ratios of 115 and 104 for YW and ADG. Another Soldiers’ Hill Angus Farm bull, Lot 18, brought $5000 and sold to Joe Saffer of Warrenton, Virginia. This Deer Valley All In son posted CED EPD +9, WW EPD +87, YW EPD +142 along with +89 $W and +158 $B.

Edgewood Angus of Williamsburg, Virginia consigned Lot 108, a calving ease son of Sitz Upside 547W, which sold to Bundy Farm Inc. from Lebanon, Virginia for $4800. This bull posted EPDs of +14 CED, -1.4 BW, +125 YW, +24 DOC and +0.81 MB along with strong individual performance and +85 $W EPD.

Silver Creek Angus of Danville, Virginia was recognized with the Breeder Group Award winner for their consignment of Angus bulls. Their consignment was paced by Lot 84, another son of Deer Valley All In which posted CED EPD +12, BW EPD -0.8 and YW EPD +117. This bull sold to James DeBoer of Charlottesville, Virginia for $3900. The high sale index Angus bull, Lot 6, was consigned by Echo Ridge Farm of Atkins, Virginia and sold to James Kean of Louisa, Virginia for $3800. This GAR Sure Fire 6524 son had a test YW of 1403, ratio 116 and test ADG of 4.29, ratio 105, as well as CED EPD of +12, YW EPD of +122, MB EPD +1.00 and $W of +70.

The strong Angus offering also included Lot 44, consigned by Quaker Hill Farm of Louisa, Virginia which sold to Gene Forrester of Lancaster, Virginia for $4000. This calving ease son of Tehama Sierra Cut Z118 had a CED EPD of +12, BW EPD of -0.3, +63 $W and $B +142. Another Angus bull, Lot 23, was consigned by Monomoy Farm of Warrenton, Virginia and sold to Dennis Reed of Bumpass, VA for $4000. This Deer Valley Patriot 3222 son posted a +12 CED EPD, -0.6 BW EPD, +67 WW EPD, +125 YW EPD, +26 DOC EPD and a $W value of +68. Lot 101, consigned by Lawson Family Farms of Ewing, Virginia also brought $4000 and sold to Glenmary Farm of Rapidan, Virginia. This Quaker Hill Rampage 0A36 son scanned with a 16.5 REA, ratio 121, and had EPDs of +10 CED, +125 YW, and +1.18 RE.
All bulls in the test and sale were consigned by members of the Virginia Beef Cattle Improvement Association. Bulls were developed at the Culpeper bull test station operated by Glenmary Farm, owned by Tom and Kim Nixon of Rapidan, Virginia. The sale was managed by Virginia BCIA, and the auctioneer was Mike Jones. Additional details on the Virginia BCIA program can be found at http://bcia.apsc.vt.edu.