60th Annual Ocala Bull Sale & Select Heifers Results

One hundred and sixty eight bulls representing eleven breeds sold for an overall average of \$3,280 at the 60th Annual Ocala Bull Sale sponsored by the Marion County Cattlemen's Association. Of the 168 bulls offered, one sold for more than \$6,000, twenty three sold for more than \$5,000, nineteen sold for a price of between \$4,000 and \$4,900. Additionally, eighty one bulls (49% of those offered) received a price of \$3,300 or higher.

This year's October sale topper was lot #30 an (A-) graded Angus bull consigned by Billy McLeod's Black Crest Farm of Sumter, SC which sold for \$6,100. The second high price bull, lot #26 a (A) graded Angus also out of the Black Crest consignment sold for \$5,900. Two other bulls, lot #35 an (A) graded Black Crest Angus and lot #204X a (B+) Polled Hereford from Jonny Harris' Greenview Polled Hereford Farms, Screven, GA offerings sold for \$5,800 each. Lot #59 an (A-) Angus from Hines Cattle Co., High Springs, FL and lot #76 an (A) Angus out Bruce Thomas' The Thomas Six Ranch, Branford, FL sold for \$5,600. Additionally, Black Crest Farm received a price of \$5,600 each for three other (A) graded Angus bulls as well as \$5,500 each for (A) graded Angus lots #27 and #33. Lot #78 a (A) Angus Thomas Six Ranch offering brought a price of \$5,400. Lot #32 another Black Crest (A) Angus and lot #89 an (A-) Brahman from Abundantly Blessed Cattle of Branford, FL sold for \$5,300. Lot #58 an (A) Angus from Hines Cattle, lot #87 (A+) Braford from Greenview Polled Herefords and lot #143 an (A+) Charolais from Bob Woodward's Ohillco of Gallipolis, OH received \$5,200 each. Seven other (A) graded bulls sold for \$5,100 each: lots #25, #34 and #36 Angus out of the Black Crest consignment and lot #77 a Thomas Six Angus as well as Braford lots #86 and #88X out of the Greenview consignment.

Four (A) graded bulls, lot #55 consigned by Harris Livestock of Boston, GA., #70 from Rose Myrtle Farm, Bishopville, SC and lots #178 and #179 both Horned Herefords from Hendrix Cattle Co. of Farmington, MO sold for \$4,900 each. Lot #116 an (A+) Charolais from Mike Watkins Little W Farm of Lebanon, TN and lot #176 an (A) Horned Hereford from Hendrix Cattle brought a price of \$4,800. Three other (A-) bulls lot #154 out of Bill Baird's Triple B of Lebanon, TN consignment, lot #175 offered by Falling Timber of Marthasville, MO, and lot #177 from Hendrix Cattle sold for \$4,700 each. One bull, lot #159 an (A) Charolais offered by Triple B sold for \$4,400. Three other (A-)

Angus bulls lot #57 from Hines Cattle and lots #71 and #75 both of the Rose Myrtle consignment sold for\$4,300 each. Another (B+) Rose Myrtle Angus lot #74 as well as lot #97 (A) Brangus from Hines Cattle and lot #120 (A+) Charolais from Little W Farms brought a price of \$4,100 each. Hines Cattle lot #98 an (A-) Brangus and two Charolais bulls lot #105 from Steve Swanson's Bayvue Farms of Hermann, MO and lot #158 an (A) bull from Triple B sold for \$4,000 each. Additionally, thirty eight bulls of various breeds sold for prices from \$3,300 to \$3,900.

Average price by Grade:

A + = \$4,055 (11 hd)

A = \$4,184 (53 hd)

A = \$3,491 (38 hd)

 \mathbf{B} + = \$2,638 (21 hd)

 $\mathbf{B} = $2,890 (11 \text{ hd})$

 $\mathbf{B} = \$2,063 \ (16 \ \text{hd})$

C+ = \$1,788 (17 hd)

C = \$1,500 (1 hd)

One hundred and two bulls (61%) graded A- or better. Eleven (A+) bulls realized an average price of \$775 above the overall sale average. Fifty three (A) bulls received \$904 above the overall average and thirty eight (A-) bulls sold for \$211 above the overall sale average.

Breed highlights include:

- **❖** 66 Angus bulls averaged \$3,476
 - Top Selling Angus \$6,100
- **❖** 6 Beefmaster bulls averaged \$2,792
 - Top selling Beefmaster \$3,600
- **❖** 3 Braford bulls averaged \$5,133
 - Top Selling Brafords \$5,200
- **❖** 6 Brahman bulls averaged \$2,650
 - Top Selling Brahman \$5,300
- **❖** 4 Brangus bulls averaged \$3,450
 - Top selling Brangus \$4,100
- **❖** 47 Charolais bulls averaged \$3,406
 - Top Selling Charolais \$5,200
- **❖** 5 Charolais Composite bulls averaged \$3,230
 - Top selling Charolais Composite \$3,650

- **❖** 5 Gelbvieh/Balancer bulls averaged \$2,540
 - Top Selling Chi-Angus \$3,200
- **❖** 8 Horned Hereford bulls averaged \$3,850
 - Top selling Horned Hereford 2 @ \$4,900
- **❖** 17 Polled Hereford bulls averaged \$2,229
 - Top Selling Hereford \$5,800
- **❖** 1 Sim-Angus sold for \$2,200

Heifer Results:

Sixty four heifers sold for an overall average of \$1,490. Forty five Open Heifers averaged \$1,277 and nineteen Bred Heifers averaged \$1,995.

The Marion County Cattlemen's Association would like to THANK <u>everyone</u> who had a hand in making this sale possible!

61st Annual Ocala Bull Sale Tuesday, October 25, 2016. "Where Quality Is Plainly Marked"