

61ST Annual Ocala Bull Sale & Select Heifers Results

One hundred and fifty four bulls representing eleven breeds sold for an overall average of \$2,575 at the 61st Annual Ocala Bull Sale sponsored by the Marion County Cattlemen's Association. Of the 154 bulls offered, eighty one bulls (53% of those offered) achieved the median price of \$2,600 or higher. One sold for \$5,000, eleven sold for more than \$4,000, thirteen sold for a price of between \$3,500 and \$3,900, twenty eight brought a price between \$3,000 and \$3,400, and twenty nine sold for a bid between \$2,600 and \$2,900.

This year's sale topper was lot #24 an (A) graded Angus bull consigned by Billy McLeod's Black Crest Farm of Sumter, SC which sold for \$5,000. The second high price bull, lot #189 a (B+) graded Polled Hereford from Jonny Harris' Greenview Polled Hereford Farms, Screven, GA consignment sold for \$4,800. Other notables include: The first bull to sale lot #131 an (A+) graded Charolais from Mike Watkins' Little "W" Farms, Lebanon, TN received a price of \$4,750, lot #26 an (A) graded Black Crest bull sold for \$4,600, lot #133 another bull from Little "W" Farms sold for \$4,300, lot #143 an (A-) Charolais from Bill Baird's Triple B Charolais, Lebanon, TN sold for \$4,200, two other Polled Hereford bulls of the Greenview Polled Herefords consignment lot #184 (B+) and lot #186 (B-) sold for \$4,100 each. Additionally, the following three bulls commanded a price of \$3,000: lot #132 an (A) Charolais from Little "W" Farms, lot #22 an (A) graded Angus out of the Black Crest consignment and lot #144 an (A) graded Charolais offered by Triple B.

Mike Watkins' Little "W" Farms Lot #131 was the only (A+) graded bull.

Average price by Grade:

A+ = \$4,750 (1 hd)

A = \$3,225 (36 hd)

A- = \$2,780 (56 hd)

B+ = \$2,375 (37 hd)

B = \$2,335 (17 hd)

B- = \$1,810 (5 hd)

C+ = \$1,725 (2 hd)

Sixty one percent (93) bulls received a grade of A- or higher. The (A) graded bulls averaged \$650 above the overall sale average and (A-) bulls sold for an average of \$205 above the overall sale average.

Breed highlights include:

- ❖ **74 Angus bulls averaged \$2,535**
 - Top Selling Angus \$5,000
- ❖ **4 Beefmaster bulls averaged \$1,250**
 - Top selling Beefmaster \$1,400
- ❖ **3 Braford bulls averaged \$2,533**
 - Top Selling Brafords \$3,100
- ❖ **1 Brangus bulls sold for \$1,800**
- ❖ **30 Charolais bulls averaged \$3,178**
 - Top Selling Charolais \$4,750
- ❖ **7 Gelbvieh bulls averaged \$1,800**
 - Top Selling Chi-Angus \$2,000
- ❖ **17 Horned Hereford bulls averaged \$2,776**
 - Top selling Horned Hereford \$3,300
- ❖ **11 Polled Hereford bulls averaged \$3,336**
 - Top Selling Hereford \$4,800
- ❖ **3 Red Angus bulls averaged \$2,366**
 - Top Selling Red Angus \$3,000
- ❖ **2 Sim-Angus bulls averaged \$1,900**
 - Top Selling Sim-Angus \$2,100
- ❖ **2 Simmental bulls averaged \$3,600**
 - Top Selling Simmental \$3,700

Additionally, twenty six bred heifers sold for an overall average of \$1,466. Cattlemen's Choice offered 10 head for an average price of \$1,380, Heldon Ranch consignment offered 5 head for an average of \$1,485, Richardson Bros., Inc. averaged \$1,550 on 6 head, Rocking "F" Ranch sold 3 head for an average of \$1,300, and Jeff Starnes received \$1,850 for each of 2 heifers offered.

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

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"Where Quality Is Plainly Marked"