62nd Annual Ocala Bull Sale & Select Heifers Results

One hundred and forty-two bulls representing nine breeds sold for an overall average of \$2,079 at the 62nd Annual Ocala Bull Sale sponsored by the Marion County Cattlemen's Association. Of the 142 bulls offered, 43% outperformed the overall average. One bull sold for \$5,100, seven sold for more than \$4,000, nine sold for a price of between \$3,900 and \$3,500, nine brought a price between \$3,400 and \$3,000, and eighteen sold for a bid between \$2,900 and \$2,500.

This year's sale topper was Lot #121, a (B+) graded Charolais consigned by Mike Watkins' Little "W" Farms of Lebanon, TN, sold for \$5,100. Additionally, five bulls brought a price of \$4,300: The first two bulls to sale, Lots #83x (A-) and #84 (A), both Brafords offered by Jonny Harris' Greenview Polled Hereford Farms, Screven, GA; Lot #90, an (A) graded Brangus from Starnes Cattle of Williston, FL; and Lots #116 and #118, both (A-) graded Charolais out of the Little "W" Farms consignment.

Other notables include: Lots #25 and #30, both (A-) graded Angus bulls from Billy Mcleod's Black Crest Farm of Sumter, SC, sold for \$4,000 each; Lot #176, a (B+) Horned Hereford bull from Brad Chambliss' Chambliss Hereford Farms of Elizabethtown, KY, sold for \$3,900; Lot #31, an (A) Angus from the Black Crest consignment, sold for \$3,700; two Horned Hereford bulls offered by William Woodard and Sons of Springfield, TN, Lot #170 (B) and Lot #178 (B+), sold for \$3,600 each. The following four bulls sold for a price of \$3,500 each: Two Angus bulls, Lots #24 (A-) and #26 (A), both from Black Crest Farms; Lot #82, (A-) graded Braford from the Greenview consignment, and Lot #128 (A-) a Charolais offered by Todd Thompson's Thompson Charolais Farm of White Cottage, Ohio. Lots #17, #18 and #19, all (A-) Angus bulls out of the Black Crest, offering brought a price of \$3,400 each. Lot #20, also an (A-) bull from the Black Crest consignment, received a price of \$3,300. Lot #29 (A-), another Angus from Black Crest Farms, Lot #39, also an (A-) graded Angus from Ed Dean's Daystar Farms of Ocala, FL, and Lot #93, an (A) graded Brangus bull offered by LG Herndon of Lyons, GA, sold for a price of \$3,100 each. Additionally, two other bulls commanded a price of \$3,000: Lot #28, an (A-) graded Angus out of the Black Crest consignment, and Lot #49, an (A) graded Angus presented by Larry Olson, D.V.M., and Olson Cattle Research consignment of Barnwell, South Carolina.

Average price by Grade:

 $\mathbf{A} = \$3,380 (10 \text{ hd})$

A- = \$2,595 (39 hd)

 \mathbf{B} + = \$1,900 (51 hd)

 $\mathbf{B} = \$1,686 (29 \text{ hd})$

 $\mathbf{B} = \$1,188 (9 \text{ hd})$

C+ = \$925 (4 hd)

Thirty-five percent (49) bulls received a grade of A- or higher. The (A) graded bulls averaged \$1,301 above the overall sale average and (A-) bulls sold for an average of \$516 above the overall sale average.

Breed highlights include:

- **❖** 49 Angus bulls averaged \$2,134
 - Two Top Selling Angus sold for \$4,000 each
- **❖** 2 Angus/Charolais Composite bulls averaged \$1,550
 - Top selling Angus/Charolais \$1,600
- **❖** 3 Braford bulls averaged \$4,033
 - Top Selling Brafords \$4,300
- **❖** 6 Brangus bulls averaged \$2,300
 - Top Selling Brangus \$4,300
- **❖** 34 Charolais bulls averaged \$2,318
 - Top Selling Charolais \$5,100
- **❖** 5 Charolais PCR bulls averaged \$1,660
 - Top Selling Charolais PCR \$2,300
- 29 Horned Hereford bulls averaged \$1,759
 - Top selling Horned Hereford \$3,900
- **❖** 10 Polled Hereford bulls averaged \$1,770
 - Top Selling Hereford \$4,800
- **❖** 4 Red Angus bulls averaged \$1,450
 - Top Selling Red Angus \$2,100

Additionally, twenty-three bred heifers sold for an overall average of \$1,298. Heldon Ranch offered eight head for an average price of \$1,166; Richardson Bros., Inc. averaged \$1,400 on nine head; and Smith Bros. Ranch sold six head for an average of \$1,325.

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

63rd Annual Ocala Bull Sale Tuesday, October 23, 2018

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