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The following information is being provided for your convenience in reporting the recent Gardiner Angus Ranch Fall Bull Sale.

SUBJECT: GARDINER ANGUS RANCH SALE REPORT

Gardiner Angus Ranch 6th Annual Fall Bull Sale

The fact that it's bone dry in southwestern Kansas did not deter serious beef producers from showing up early and staying until the last lot sold taking advantage of a beautiful fall day at the Gardiner Angus Ranch 6th Annual Bull Sale. As an added attraction, 89 bred commercial heifers carrying sexed embryos were added to the offering.

This year's offering of bulls moved the genetic improvement bar even higher by posting an average \$Beef Index of \$66.20, the highest ever at GAR. The newly published feed efficiency and docility selection tools were incorporated and genomic updates including RADG and DOC were provided on Lots 1-9 and Lots 166-175.

The high selling bull was Lot 5, GAR 28 Ambush H5089, an Ambush 28 son out of GAR Objective 1485. H5089 sold to Leon Horton, Talco, TX for \$12,000. Lot 2, GAR 28 Ambush L609, another impressive Ambush 28 son out of GAR Predestined N35, Prediction's sister, sold to long-time customer Virgil Lawlis, Bastrop, TX for \$11,000. L609 posted a MARB EPD of +1.04 with a +76.05 \$B Index. Profit Proven member and long-time commercial customer, Joe Mayer, Guymon, OK, outlasted contending bidders to own Lot 1, GAR 5050 New Design L529, at \$10,000. This super 5050 son out of GAR Objective 1485, also the dam of Lot 5, had a MARB score of +.92, REA +.73 and +76.02 \$B Index. GAR Allied Producer, Dale Jackson, J3 Ranch, Oakdale, CA, added to an impressive load of bulls going to California with his purchase of a 15-month old son of 5050, Lot 166, GAR 5050 New Design N5259, at \$10,000.

Two yearling 5050 sons, Lots 330 and 335 were among the top selling bulls at \$8,000, going to C.W. Pratt, Atkins, VA, and Tom Echols, Breckenridge, TX. Two 18-month old bulls, Lots 6 and 37, sold to Bryan Sims, Palestine, WV, and Dale Jackson for \$7,500 each. Both bulls are low birth, high growth with over +70 \$B Index.

Seven bulls, 6-18 month old bulls and 1-yearling bull sold in the \$6,500 range. Lots 13, 25, 47, 71, 75, 76 and 337, sold to Manuel Gonzalez, Eagle Pass, TX, Joe Mayer, Clarence Yanke, Sunray, TX, Dietrich Westphal, Millwood, VA, Bryan and Carrol Switzer, Bucklin, MO, and Randy Bayne, Protection, KS, respectively. Four lots, 63, 67, 77 and 405, sold in the \$6,250 range to Mike Hill,

Sunray, TX, Shane and Jimmy Kennedy, Lindsay, OK, Randy Browning, Appleton City, MO, and Randy Bayne.

Twelve bulls sold for \$6,000. Eight bulls sold in the \$5,750 range, 8 bulls sold for \$5,500. Another 9 bulls sold for \$5,250.

The bred commercial heifers generated considerable interest prior to sale day. The females sold in groups of 10. Michael Flowers, Princeton, MO, Parker Rayl, Hutchinson, KS, Steve Semmel, Woodward, OK, Tim Smith, Chickasha, OK, and C.W. Grissom, Taiban, NM, each paid \$18,000 per group or \$1,800 per head. Gary Stone, Chandler, OK, and Michael Flowers had winning bids of \$1,750 per head, or \$17,500 per group for groups 2 and 3 respectively.

The average bull in this year's sale ranked in the top 15% of the breed for CED, the bottom 43% for BW while ranking in the top 12% of the breed for weaning weight, and top 6% for yearling weight. The average of the offering ranked the bulls in the bottom 40% of the breed for yearling hip height. This year's offering have a MARB EPD of +.83, and RE EPD of +.47, ranking the bulls in the top 3% for marbling, and top 5% of the breed for RE. The \$Value Index rankings of top 5% for \$W, top 2% for \$F, top 2% for \$G, top 2% for \$B, are even more impressive and quite possibly the greatest illustration of the group's profit potential at any end point.

At day's end 128 buyers from 21 states and Mexico made investments in Gardiner Angus Ranch genetics.

Additional Notes of Interest:

- 18% of the bulls sold for \$5,000 or more
- 35% of the bulls sold in the \$3,000 to \$5,000 range

Volume Bull Buyers: Jon Means, Van Horn, TX; Tuda & Jack Crews, Bueyreros, NM; Dale Jackson, J3 Ranch, Oakdale, CA; Joe Leathers, 6666 Ranch, Guthrie, TX, Mason & Beth Briscoe, Needville, TX; Matt Jones, Holcomb, KS; Leroy Hill Ranch, Grand Bay, AL; Mike Rothrock, Crockett, TX, Joe Howard Williamson, Archer City, TX; Jimmy Richardson, Carlsbad, NM.

Volume Commercial Heifer Buyer: Michael Flowers, Princeton, MO

Gardiner Angus Ranch 6th Annual Fall Bull Sale & Commercial Heifer Total & Averages

Total Lots	Category	Gross	Average
154	18 mo-old bulls	\$699,000.00	\$4,539.00
142	15 mo-old bulls	\$437,750.00	\$3,081.00
124	Yearling bulls	\$353,000.00	\$2,847.00
420	Total bulls	\$1,489,750.00	\$3,547.00
89	Commercial heifers	\$154,750.00	\$1,772.00
509	TOTAL LOTS	\$1,647,500.00	\$3,237.00