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9th Gardiner Angus “Meating Demand” Buyers Select Elite Multi-trait Bulls for Early Turnout

The Meating Demand Sale has evolved to offer the same elite multi-trait genetic excellence in a more relaxed atmosphere appreciated by progressive commercial cow-calf producers purchasing bulls for early turnout. One-hundred eighty-five bidders registered to bid on 198 registered bulls and 194 GAR-influenced, elite bred commercial heifers.

The high selling bull in the sale was Lot 31, GAR Black Gold. This 14-month-old son of Basin Jameson out of a GAR Prophet K263 donor offers tremendous outcross potential. His double-digit calving ease, top 2% weaning and yearling weight, over +2 marbling, top 1% \$Maternal, +402 \$C and top 1% Method Genetics ROI indicate 5408 is a special, multi-trait sire. One of the most progressive beef producers in America, Rich Blair, Blair Brothers, Vale, S.D., made Black Gold the high selling bull in the sale on a winning bid of \$45,000. Two bulls, Lots 22 and 51, sold for \$20,000 each to Jason Faria, FB Genetics, Dumas, Texas, and Doug Gerber, Gerber Land & Cattle, Richmond, Ind., respectively.

Longtime customers, Kevin and Marta Milliken, Lebanon, Mo., paid \$16,000 to own Lot 54, GAR Salvation 4138, an elite young bull for growth and ribeye, ranking in the top 1% of the breed in 10 traits. Lot 17, GAR Home Free 4584, caught the attention of Tucker Conner, TJC Farms, Wellington, Texas, and outlasted the competition on a winning bid of \$15,000. Another longtime GAR customer and Profit Proven consignor, David White, Greensburg, Kan., selected an outstanding GAR Sunbeam son, Lot 52, GAR Sunbeam W2112 and paid \$13,500.

Three bulls, Lots 15, 49 and 89, each sold for \$13,000 to Rob and Sylvia Sellard, Sellard Farms, Bucklin, Kan.; Trey Clapp, Cedar Vale, Kan.; and Ben Gleason, Gleason Livestock, Maple Hill, Kan., respectively. Three bulls, Lots 34, 40 and 193, each sold for \$12,500 to Len Mertz, Mertz 09 Ranch, San Angelo, Texas; Karl Kuschel, Chamois, Mo.; and Ky Luddington, Luddington Cattle, Freedom, Okla., respectively. Two bulls, Lot 1 and Lot 99, each sold for \$12,000 to Margie Rice, Mayer Legacy LLC, Guymon, Okla.; and Mertz 09 Ranch, respectively.

Rhett Radcliff, Radcliff Ranch, Forgan, Okla., and Mertz 09 Ranch, each paid \$11,500 for Lots 36 and 59, respectively. Eight bulls sold for \$11,000 each, four bulls sold for \$10,500 each and 18 bulls sold for \$10,000 each.

Bidding was active on 19 groups, 194 head, of elite, Method Genetics tested, bred commercial heifers. Longtime GAR commercial customers, representing the entire spectrum of quality beef production typically compete to add genetically elite heifers to their cow-calf operation. Sellard Farms had the winning bid on the high selling Group #1, at \$4,000 per head. Daryl Sales, Sales Farms, Valley Falls, Kan., selected Group #2 to add to his progressive cow herd on a winning bid of \$3,900 each. Sellard Farms added Group 16 paying \$3,700 per head.

Notes of Interest:

• A total of 198 registered bulls and 194 bred commercial heifers sold to 88 buyers from 18 states in two hours.

Volume Buyers—Bulls: Brant Baca, Baca Ranches, Vega, Texas; Rex McCloy, McCloy Family Farm Partnership, Morse, Texas; Len Mertz, Mertz 09 Ranch, San Angelo, Texas; John Michael Fierer, Cross F Ranch, Fort Worth, Texas; Whitney Hall, Loco, Okla.; Jeff Krier, Ashland, Kan.; Rhett Radcliff, Radcliff, Ranch, Forgan, Okla.; Kevin Cantrelle, Cantrelle Ranch LLC, Raymond, Calif; Darin Dickey, Cheyenne Wells, Colo.

Volume Buyer—Commercial Females: Darin Dickey; James Skelton, Skelton Beef Company, Texhoma, Okla.; Ryan Vogt, Vogt Grain Farms, Newton, Kan.; Rob & Sylvia Sellard, Sellard Farms, Bucklin, Kan.

Sale Total & Averages

Total Lots	Category	Gross	Average
170	19- to 20-month-old registered bulls	\$1,326,000	\$7,800
28	14- to 16-month-old registered bulls	\$299,500	\$10,696
198	Registered bulls	\$1,625,500	\$8,210
194	Bred commercial heifers	\$652,900	\$3,365
392 Head	TOTAL	\$2,278,400	