Hunt's H+ Brangus

Winter 2018 Newsletter

"The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it."
- Genesis 2:15

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"A Stewardship to Keep"

Georgia weather is often characterized by an old saying, "If you don't like the weather today, just wait until tomorrow, it'll change!" This winter has certainly typified that thought! We had a snow in mid-December in a period of milder than normal temperatures. January has brought bone-chilling cold weather to our farm and to most of the country. We have been dryer than normal overall but had a little rain this week, and some more is in the forecast later on! Those are all things beyond our control, so it doesn't profit any of us to worry about them! However, it is our job as caretakers of the land and the animals to work hard to provide the best environment for their well-being during these times!

We are stewards of vital resources. These resources result in the production of delicious and nutritious protein that sustains the diet and lives of people that you will never meet. Even though we are working hard to feed people that we do not know, we are always aware of the trust and responsibility involved in the work of animal agriculture.

Many of you are busting ice out of water tanks, rescuing calves from frozen ponds, warming calves that would otherwise freeze, feeding supplements and hay, setting up cows for AI, thawing frozen pipes, and carrying on the normal chores of the farm. We do this for the end user. But I believe that most of you do it for a higher reason altogether. You do it because it is the right thing to do. You have been given something important and precious to do. You do it, and you love it! May God bless you as you take care of His creation and His creatures during these short winter days and these long, cold winter nights!

BBB Catawba D122

We work hard to deliver the outstanding buying opportunities you have come to expect at our Bull and Female Sale. We provide bulls with genetic consistency, complete and carefully gathered data and performance genetics. All our animals are genetically designed to produce easy-born calves, growth, maternal excellence, structural soundness, good temperament and carcass quality.

We believe that this multiple trait approach will put <u>*"something extra"*</u> in your herd so that you can also have <u>*"something extra"*</u> left in your wallet at the end of the day.

The Power of the Brand? In our way of doing math: H+ = $ in your wallet.

MC Something Special 889Y2

We were thrilled to acquire our new AI quality Herd Sire in November 2017. He just returned from collection at Lookout Mountain Genetics last week and is awaiting his natural service opportunities later this month. We have already used him in our AI program and are pleased to announce that <u>we are offering semen for sale as well.</u> He offers 8 of 11 traits above the 50th percentile: BW 45th, WW 25th, YW 10th, Milk 30th, TM 20th, Scrotal 30th, REA 10th, IMF 20th percentile. His dam, BWCC MS Real Deal 889W8, has produced prolifically as a donor in three different registered herds. He is a moderate, balanced, performance bull with excellent maternal and carcass traits. He is an outcross to our program that will cross on top of R532, T113, and 924X to produce the best bulls in the Brangus Breed!

"On The Farm"

We have just completed our calving season! Thank God for low birth weight genetics and vigorous born calves! We supply those genetics to you because we love them too! We branded 55 bulls and 42 heifers. We have already set up and bred 42 heifers AI. Sale videos and Breeding Soundness Exams are all scheduled for mid January! The excitement is building on the farm.

"Crossbreeding might result in relatively small amounts of heterosis for a given trait, but these effects tend to accumulate to produce large increases in overall productivity. In some instances, a portion of this advantage is passed on to future generations, but to optimize the benefits, a crossbreeding program should be implemented." Darrh Bullock

New Intern

We are pleased to announce that Blaiz Harden from Rock Springs, GA, has begun serving an internship with us as a part of his coursework at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College! Blaiz is a Senior and has almost completed his undergraduate degree program in preparation for a career in livestock agriculture. We are blessed to be a part of his educational journey!

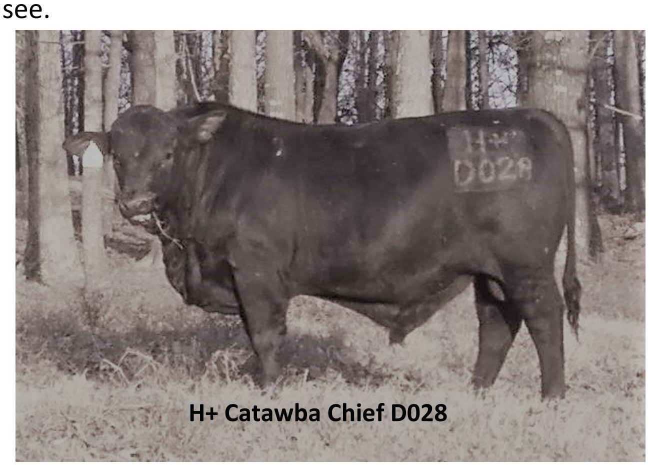
Dan Moser "*Sire selection presents the greatest opportunity for genetic change.*"

Summary Bull Test Results

We are pleased to present to you the results of our 2017 Bull Test. We remind you that our test is designed to provide the bulls an opportunity to grow appropriately to exhibit genetic potential, reach maturity at a proper time and maintain reproductive effectiveness over a long life. We provide large grass paddocks to keep the bulls moving and build athleticism. The diet is a grass-based diet with Purina Accuration feed utilized as a supplement. We choose this ration because it includes a self-limiter. Each bull is able to get the nutrition he needs through "snack eating", but he does not camp out at the feeder all day. The bulls get out and forage. Since we are not trying to run a gain test, we aim for the bulls to gain around 3lbs per day, to reach yearling ultrasound at .25" fat, pass a Breeding Soundness Exam, and of course pass your eye test. The H+ Brangus Bull Sale offering will be deep with bulls that have aced the test!

This group of bulls averaged 2.99lbs per day gain on test. The carcass data was excellent. The bulls measured in at 12.8sq in. on their Ribeye area. The intermuscular fat was 3.11% with only .22" external fat. If you are looking to gain something extra by retaining ownership of your cattle, these bulls contain the genetics to perform all the way to payday, live calves that grow and grade. Everyone talks about "pounds on the ground", but we provide you "pounds that pay"!

Since EPD's are the only way to compare bulls from one breeder to another, we encourage you to check out the numbers. <u>This year's "average bull" is above average in almost every measurable trait. Calving Ease Direct 25%, Birth Weight 20%, Yearling Weight 25%, Milk 3%, Total Maternal 15%, Ribeye Area 35%, and Intermuscular Fat 35%.</u> Take a look. You will like what you see.



H+ Catawba Chief D028

PHN	Sire	EPD											Adjusted Birth Data			Adj. Weaning Dat		03 Day Test Developme				Adjusted Yearling Data				
		CED	BW	WW	YW	Milk	TM	CEM	SC	REA	FAT	IMF	Date	Adj. BW	BW Ratio	WW	WW Ratio	ADG	RATIO	WDA	RATIO	YW	YW Ratic	SC	FS	CG
D006	T113	5.5	-1	31	63	15	30	2.6	0	0.38	-0	0	0/13/201	77	96	454	104	3.09	101	2.29	87	891	98	31	3	3
D008	T113	4.1	0.7	36	76	17	36	2.2	0.3	0.49	-0	0	0/20/201	87	109	512	118	3.30	108	2.66	100	####	113	33	5	3
D020	A313	7.3	-3	7	25	12	16	3.8	-0.1	0.01	-0.1	0	0/28/201	73	91	340	78	3.03	99	2.16	82	816	89	34	5	3
D012	R532	0.8	2.4	42	84	18	39	2.4	1.4	0.85	-0	0	0/25/201	84	115	603	121	3.12	104	2.86	108	####	111	39	6	33
D014	T113	11	-4	13	33	17	24	4.3	-0.9	0.42	-0	0	0/25/201	50	68	482	97	2.68	89	2.46	92	923	95	30	5	33
D017	T113	7.1	-1	24	51	13	25	3.4	-0.4	0.34	-0	0	0/26/201	67	92	493	99	3.03	101	2.57	97	975	100	32	5	33
D021	924X	8.2	-2	34	79	14	31	3.3	0.8	0.58	-0	0.1	0/28/201	58	79	551	110	3.73	124	2.97	112	####	114	38	6	33
D022	T113	3.5	0.1	21	44	14	25	2.8	0.7	0.28	-0	-0.1	0/29/201	78	107	408	82	2.97	99	2.36	89	889	91	37	4	33
D023	R532	7.9	-3	21	45	18	28	3.5	1	0.33	-0	-0	0/30/201	65	89	526	105	2.27	75	2.40	90	902	93	37	6	33
D026	924X	-0	3.6	54	99	13	39	3.1	1.5	0.7	-0	-0	0/31/201	94	128	672	135	3.45	115	3.15	118	####	123	41	6	33
D028	R532	2.1	1.9	44	91	20	42	1.7	0.9	0.52	-0	0	11/2/2016	84	115	615	123	3.24	108	3.04	114	####	117	38	6	33
D031	R532	0.9	1.3	34	74	19	36	2	0.5	0.52	-0	0	11/5/2016	89	122	470	94	3.26	108	2.69	101	####	103	35	5	33
D033	R532	8.5	-3	27	58	17	31	3.5	1	0.54	-0	0	11/9/2016	62	85	561	112	3.09	103	2.77	104	####	106	37	6	33
D036	R532	4	-1	26	55	15	28	2.3	0.5	0.26	-0	-0	1/11/201	73	100	477	96	2.87	95	2.52	95	931	96	35	5	33
D037	Z275	3.9	0.1	29	63	14	29	2.5	0.4	0.38	-0	0.2	1/12/201	73	100	470	94	3.20	106	2.74	103	####	104	36	6	33
D038	A313	6.5	-2	22	53	17	28	3.2	-0	0.2	-0	0.1	1/12/201	70	96	486	97	3.48	115	2.75	103	####	105	34	6	33
D042	A313	6.5	-3	9	33	15	20	3.4	0.1	0.18	-0.1	-0	1/16/201	64	87	379	76	3.04	101	2.18	82	802	82	27	5	33
D051	Z213	2.3	2.5	32	60	17	33	3.1	-0.1	0.18	-0	0.1	1/25/201	79	108	570	114	3.26	108	2.97	112	####	111	34	6	33
D052	Z213	3.1	0.3	25	55	12	24	2.6	0.2	0.5	-0	0.1	1/26/201	73	100	428	86	2.85	95	2.61	98	944	97	34	6	33
D053	Z213	3	0.1	21	40	11	21	2.9	0.9	0.39	-0	0.1	1/29/201	80	109	444	89	2.85	95	2.52	95	905	93	38	6	33
D054	Z213	2.9	1.5	30	53	16	31	3.5	0.4	0.1	-0	0	1/30/201	76	104	536	107	2.68	89	2.45	92	894	92	36	7	33
D055	A313	7.6	-3	13	37	16	22	3.2	-0.1	0.49	-0	0.2	12/4/2016	65	89	436	87	3.17	105	2.74	103	975	100	34	6	33
D056	A313	6.6	-2	18	41	16	25	3.8	-0.3	0.23	-0	0	12/5/2016	73	100	478	96	3.01	100	2.64	99	942	97	33	6	33
D059	A313	7.5	-3	13	37	16	23	3.6	0.4	0.22	-0	0	12/9/2016	65	89	421	84	3.26	108	2.71	102	956	98	36	5	33
D060	Z275	7.1	-2	19	41	13	23	2.8	-0.3	0.36	-0	0.1	12/9/2016	59	81	419	84	3.15	105	2.40	90	858	88	32	6	33
D065	Z213	4.1	0.2	28	57	11	25	3.5	0.1	0.36	-0	0.2	2/12/201	72	98	469	94	2.70	90	2.51	94	888	92	33	5	33
D067	A313	-1	4	34	67	10	26	2.9	0.9	0.52	-0	0	2/12/201	94	128	543	109	3.55	118	3.20	120	####	116	40	7	33
D068	A313	7	-2	17	39	17	25	3.8	0	-0.1	-0.1	0	2/12/201	70	96	517	104	2.58	86	2.65	100	945	97	35	6	33
D072	Z213	1.7	2.3	35	78	17	35	2.5	1.4	0.32	-0	-0.1	2/19/201	81	111	544	109	3.20	106	2.99	112	####	108	40	7	33
D074	Z275	3	0.9	31	60	12	27	3.1	0.5	0.38	-0.1	0.1	2/20/201	75	102	491	98	2.95	98	2.75	103	970	100	36	6	33
D075	Z275	5.4	-1	30	63	14	29	3	0.2	0.31	-0.1	0.1	2/23/201	65	89	484	97	2.83	94	2.64	99	930	96	34	6	33
D076	Z275	3.1	0.5	27	59	15	29	1.9	0.8	0.47	-0	0.2	2/26/201	79	108	476	95	3.90	130	2.93	110	####	104	39	7	33
D079	Z213	-1	3.2	36	73	14	31	2.9	0.5	0.34	-0	-0.1	1/2/2017	99	135	467	94	2.82	94	2.68	101	916	94	33	6	33
D082	Z275	2.5	1.5	39	73	15	34	2.8	0.4	0.69	-0.1	0	1/4/2017	89	122	544	109	3.05	101	2.65	100	929	96	34	7	33
D085	Z213	4.7	0.6	34	72	15	31	3.5	1.3	0.51	-0	0.1	1/10/2017	77	105	515	103	2.87	95	2.72	102	934	96	36	7	33
D123	R532	3.9	1	37	74	15	34	3.3	0.5	0.7	-0	0	########	75	95	503	92	2.92	107	2.38	91	928	97	32	4	10
D124	R532	7.3	-2	26	59	17	30	2.5	0.8	0.55	-0	-0.1	10/22/016	70	89	573	104	2.90	107	2.56	98	966	101	36	5	10
D125	R532	5.8	-2	23	53	15	27	3.6	0.4	0.54	-0	-0	0/24/201	72	92	502	91	3.18	117	2.50	94	948	99	32	5	10
D126	R532	4.2	0	33	71	21	3	2.4	1.7	0.53	-0	-0	11/1/2016	82	104	648	118	3.22	118	2.94	111	####	115	40	6	10
D130	R532	3.2	0.4	35	69	16	33	2.4	0.5	0.64	-0	0	11/3/2016	80	102	600	109	2.40	88	2.50	94	933	97	33	5	10
D134	A302	5.6	0.3	34	73	10	27	3.9	1.3	0.64	-0	-0	1/23/201	70	89	592	108	3.13	115	2.93	110	####	112	38	6	10
D136	A302	2.4	1.2	34	68	14	31	3.3	1.2	0.45	-0	0	12/2/2016	86	109	592	108	2.42	89	2.69	101	978	102	37	7	10
D137	A302	3.5	0.7	34	69	11	28	3.9	0.9	0.52	-0	0.2	12/4/2016	81	103	481	88	2.57	95	2.46	93	911	95	35	6	10
D142	A302	1.3	1.6	33	62	14	31	2.6	0.1	0.17	-0	0.1	2/29/201	96	122	621	113	1.79	66	2.70	102	956	100	32	7	10
D144	A302	3.8	1	35	76	15	32	4.1	1	0.72	-0	0.1	1/21/2017	78	100	382	70	2.67	98	2.57	97	855	100	36	7	10
D122	R532	8	-2	29	70	17	32	3.2	1.1	0.57	-0	0	0/19/201	65	83	544	96	3.18	106	2.82	106	####	110	43	5	3
D138	A302	4.5	0.4	34	68	10	26	3.3	0.5	0.41	-0	0.1	2/11/201	80	102	593	105	2.70	90	2.88	108	####	107	35	6	3
D101	T113	6.1	-2	19	41	14	24	2.2	-0.1	0.4	-0	-0	10/9/2016	77	93	450	92	2.68	89	2.23	84	874	105	32	4	8
D102	T113	5.1	-0	31	65	17	32	2.6	0.4	0.39	-0	0	0/11/201	77	93	529	108	2.91	97	2.63	99	####	123	39	5	8
D103	R532	1.7	1	30	64	17	32	2.4	1	0.53	-0	0.1	0/11/201	85	102	494	101	3.18	106	2.51	94	974	117	37	5	8
D107	R532	10	-5	15	38	16	24	3.1	0.7	0.33	-0	-0.1	11/1/2016	75	90	459	94	2.29	76	2.39	90	888	85	36	5	8
D108	Z275	2.2	1.1	38	75	17	36	2.3	0.7	0.65	-0	0.1	1/13/201	96	115	569	116	2.54	85	2.54	95	964	93	38	5	8
D110	Z275	7.7	-2	20	48	15	25	3.6	0.5	0.42	-0	0.1	12/3/2016	82	99	487	99	3.46	115	2.71	102	966	93	37	8	8
D112	Z275	3.2	0.6	36	73	16	33	3.1	0.7	0.57	-0	0.1	12/9/2016	98	118	570	116	3.32	110	2.85	107	####	98	38	6	8
D114	Z275	3.8	-0	25	57	13	26	2.6	0.5	0.62	-0.1	0.1	2/25/201	99	119	494	101	3.59	119	3.00	113	####	98	35	6	8
55 Bulls		4.6	-0	28	60	15	28	3.01	0.5	0.43	-0	0		77	101	508	101	2.99	101	2.66	100	972	101	####	5.7	
Breed		3.9	1	25	48	9	22	4.2	0.5	0.35	-0	0														
Non-Parent Average																										

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SAVE THE DATE: February 24, 2018-1:00 pm

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