

The Oklahoma Angus Gathering Sale

The Oklahoma Angus Association would like to invite you to participate in the 18th Annual Oklahoma Angus Gathering. The Gathering Sale will again be held on **Labor Day Weekend: September 2, 2017** at the same location: **South River Genetics sale facility near Prague, OK**. This facility is air conditioned and state of the art.

Enclosed please find entry forms for the sale along with a sale cattle nomination form.

A tentative schedule is as follows:

Thursday August 31, 2017

10 a.m. - Start receiving cattle at the South River Genetics facility.

Friday September 1, 2017

12:00 Noon – Cattle in place at the South River Genetics facility.

1:00 p.m. until 5:00 – Cattle available for preview at the South River Genetics facility.

Saturday September 2, 2017

9 a.m. – Sale cattle on display at the South River Genetics facility.

11 a.m. – Lunch – South River Genetics facility.

Noon – Oklahoma Angus Gathering Sale

Matt Sims, Matt C. Sims Auction, Inc. will represent the association as the sale manager and auctioneer. It is our goal to continue to improve one of the nation's best state association sponsored sales by assembling a very high quality consignment that represents Oklahoma Angus. The consignments can consist of cow-calf pairs, bred heifers, bred cows, open heifers, embryos, pregnancies, or a flush. Bull calves on the side of the cow are eligible, but single lot bulls are not. Groups of five or more commercial females are eligible for consignment as well. The sale expense on commercial females will be 7%.

Matt will be inspecting the sale cattle as soon as we start receiving entries. Nominations need to be returned to Matt by **July 1, 2017**. Nominated sale cattle need to be clipped and ready for inspection by **July 1, 2017**. **All cows and bred heifers should be slick-sheared (this does not mean torched)**. Calves and open heifers should be clipped in an appropriate manner (Spring calves can be slick sheared, but please do not slick shear the August calves; clip head, brisket, tail, etc....). **If you need assistance with clipping your cattle let me know and I will try my best to get you in touch with someone who can do it.**

Photos will be taken at the time of inspection provided the cattle are ready to picture and a suitable facility is available. Quality, age, pedigree, and body condition will determine eligibility for consignment. A body condition score of six or better should to be maintained until the time of sale. The sale committee reserves the right to screen consignments based on this criteria up to sale day. **The deadline for sale cattle entries is July 1, 2017**. Everyone is welcome to participate as long as you are a member in good standing of the Oklahoma Angus Association at the time of the event. Gaye Pfeiffer, OAA Membership Secretary can accept dues on the day of The Gathering.

Sale Expense will be calculated on a pro-rated basis of the fixed costs plus 7%, not to exceed a total of 16%. Depending on the final number of lots and the gross, sale expense is estimated to be between 11% and 16% (2015 Sale Expense was 14.34%). A **\$50.00 per lot nomination fee is required at the time of entry**. Please make the check payable to Oklahoma Angus Association Sale Escrow and return along with your entries to the address below. This fee will be applied toward the sale expense.

Detailed information such as the sale facility GPS address and hotels will be provided to the consignors once entries are received. If you would like assistance in choosing your consignment or have any other questions concerning the sale please contact:

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