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Gardiner Angus Ranch's 3rd Annual "Meating Demand" Sale Buyers Focus on Calving Ease and Quality Pounds

Beef producers with "skin in the game" focus on what matters in their operations. We can all agree that fertility and a live calf are job number one. From the day a live calf hits the ground, the focus shifts to efficient growth and quality pounds. For more than six decades, Gardiner Angus Ranch has focused on what matters in a sustainable beef operation. Calving ease, early growth and quality pounds are just as important today. The good news is modern beef producers are fortunate to have a full complement of genetic and phenotypic tools to accurately design bulls that meet the needs of our customers. Monday, May 14 confirmed the importance of unwavering discipline to produce Angus seedstock with inherent value throughout the production system.

The high selling bull was Lot 1, GAR Discovery 6737H. A VAR Discovery son out of GAR Ingenuity 3132 excelled in many traits, including top 1% of the Angus breed for weaning and yearling, carcass weight, \$W, \$F, \$B, top 2% for REA and top 10% for marbling. He also ranked top 2%, 11% and 3% on the Method Genetics indexes for MPI, QPI and ROI, respectively. When auctioneer Jim Birdwell pounded the gavel after the final bid, Doug Benoit, Benoit Angus, Esbon, Kan., paid \$23,000 to own GAR Discovery 6737H. Lot 29, GAR Prophecy 6406, a double digit CED bull with impressive 8.06 %IMF, 115 IMF Ratio, sold to Bill Nix, Nix Cattle Co., Canadian, Texas, for \$8,500. Three bulls, Lots 6, 31 and 165, each sold for \$8,000 to Doug McLean, Blanket, Texas; Danny Poole, Texline, Texas; and Jim Bosler, JLB Ranch, Dallas, Texas, respectively.

Two bulls, Lot 4, GAR Momentum T346, and Lot 10, GAR Sunrise 6752H, sold to repeat customer Louie Gardner, Claremore, Okla., for \$7,500 each. Three more bulls, Lots 37, 105 and 110 sold for \$7,500 each to Danny Poole; Travis Sherfick, Sherfick Cattle Co., Wakeeney, Kan.; and Trent Knobbe, Sylvan Grove, Kan., respectively. Recent K-State graduate and former Henry Gardiner Scholarship recipient, Callahan Grund, Sharon Springs, Kan., selected Lot 106, GAR Sure Fire D6284, to add to his family's seedstock operation on a winning bid of \$7,250.

Six bulls, Lots 8, 9, 18, 68, 108 and 115 sold for \$7,000 each to five buyers. Danny Poole added to his purchases with Lots 8 and 18. Matt Imel, Bucklin, Kan., selected Lot 9. Jon Lucas, Lucas Farms, Rock Port, Missouri purchased Lot 68 and Trent Knobbe, and JLB Ranch purchased Lots 108 and 115, respectively.

Longtime GAR customers, Rob and Sylvia Sellard, Sellard Farms, Bucklin, Kan., had the winning bid of \$6,500 on Lot 11, an impressive GAR Sunrise son out of a New Design daughter. Scott Gray, Grainola, Okla., paid \$6,500 to add Lot 34, GAR Surefire R736, to his herd bull battery.

Volume bull buyers: Rob and Sylvia Sellard, Bucklin, Kan.; Mathew Mazoch, Baton Rouge, La.; Travis Schnaithman, Garber, Okla.; JLB Ranch, Dallas, Texas; Danny Poole, Texline, Texas; Austin Warfield, Cleo Springs, Okla.; Larry Stinchcomb, Stinchcomb Farms, Coyle, Okla.; Jim Passmore, Yukon, Okla.; Trent Knobbe, Sylvan Grove, Kan.

Volume commercial female buyers: Rob and Sylvia Sellard, Bucklin, Kan.; Bill Dennis, Kaufman, Texas.

The sale concluded in one hour and thirty minutes. Cattle sold to 73 buyers from 11 states.

Sale Total & Averages

Total Lots	Category	Registered Bulls Gross	Average
143	20 mo. old registered bulls	\$620,675	\$4,340
129	Bred commercial heifers	238,800	\$1,851
272	Total head	\$859,475	\$3,160