



*Private Treaty
Bull Sale*

Opening Day

**Friday,
February 1, 2013**

**Cattle Viewing at 11 a.m.
Bidding Closes at 1 p.m.
At the Ranch • McHenry, ND**
Directions: 9 miles N. of McHenry,
2 miles E. and 1/2 mile N.

Lunch Served

**Free Feed & Delivery for
Bulls Sold in February**

Offering

25 Yearling Red Angus Bulls

10 High-Performance Commercial
Red Angus x Simmental Open Heifers



Welcome ...

Cattlemen,

It was a long summer for most of us. With record-high temperatures and not much rain fall, we did not know if the pastures were going to hold up. But on a brighter note it's hard not to enjoy these cattle prices. It's hard not to be optimistic about the cattle market



with such low cattle numbers across the country. Lets just hope 2013 brings more rain and an end to the drought.

This set of bulls is the most uniform group of bulls that I have raised. Over half of them are out of some the breed-leading AI sires. These bulls were not creep fed and have been fed a ration of alfalfa, corn silage, corn and dry distillers. The bulls were fed to grow and mature but not pushed too hard to help promote longevity of the bull.

This year we will once again be doing the silent auction. So all the bulls start at a base price and you will be allowed to raise your bid if out bid on a bull. The silent auction closes at 1 pm.

We also have a new addition to the Twedt household. On July 19, 2012, we had a baby girl, Nora Beth Twedt. We are enjoying every minute with her.

I would also like to thank you to all past and returning customers for your business. If you have any questions or would like to see the bulls please give me a call anytime! Hope to see you Feb. 1st at the ranch!!

Twedt Red Angus

Samuel Twedt

Rancher's Guide to EPDs

Courtesy of the Red Angus Assn. of America

For more information on EPDs, visit redangus.org.

- CED..... Calving Ease Direct** – predicts the probability of calves being born unassisted out of 2-year-old heifers.
- BW..... Birth Weight** – predicts the difference, in pounds, for birth weight, and is also used in the calculation of Red Angus' Calving Ease Direct (CED) EPD.
- WW..... Weaning Weight** – predicts the difference, in pounds, for weaning weight (adjusted to age of dam and a standard 205 days of age).
- YW..... Yearling Weight** – predicts the expected difference, in pounds, for yearling weight (adjusted to a standard 365 days of age).
- Milk Milk** – predicts the difference in maternal production of an individual animal's daughters as expressed by the weaning weight of their calves.
- TM..... Total Maternal** – predicts the rancher's actual observation of weaning weights of calves raised by an animal's daughters. $TM\ EPD = Milk\ EPD + 1/2\ (WW\ EPD)$
- ME..... Maintenance Energy** – predicts a bull's daughters that will require less feed to maintain her body weight and condition; thus increasing profitability.
- HPG..... Heifer Pregnancy** – predicts the probability of heifers conceiving to calve at two years of age.
- CEM Calving Ease Maternal** – predicts the probability of a given animal's daughters calving unassisted at two years of age.
- STAY ... Stayability** – predicts the probability that a bull's daughters will remain in the herd until at least six years of age.
- MARB .. Marbling Score** – predicts differences for carcass marbling score as expressed in marbling score units. Higher marbling scores are positively correlated with higher carcass quality grades.
- YG Yield Grade** – predicts differences in USDA Yield Grade score, and is expressed in USDA Yield Grade units.
- CW..... Carcass Weight** – predicts differences in hot carcass weight and is expressed in pounds.
- REA..... Rib Eye Area** – predicts differences of carcass Rib Eye Area between the 12th and 13th rib, expressed in inches.
- FAT..... 12th Rib Fat Thickness** – predicts differences for carcass fat depth over the 12th rib, as expressed in inches.

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