

KICK OFF CLASSIC

Tama, Iowa

August 27, 2011

Auctioneer: Kyle Gilchrist

Consignors: Rich Red Angus, Vinton, IA; Batterson Red Angus, Bloomfield, IA; Wright Farms, New London, IA; Walnut Springs Farm, Hopkins, MI; Shepard Settlement Farm, Marcellus, NY; Riggins Cattle Company, Odon, IN and Cowtraks Ranch, Tipton, IA

Lots	Average
2 Cow/Calf Pairs	\$3,850
12 Fall Calving Cows	\$3,271
18 Spring Calving Cows	\$2,722
40 Bred Heifers	\$2,796
7 Weaned Heifer Calves	\$3,714
6 Embryo Packages	\$2,283

It was said that the 2011 Kick Off Classic would either be the spring board or the “big plunge,” if you will, for the Gilchrist Auction Tour and it did not disappoint. With consignors working to present cattle offered in a comfortable, accessible manner, buyers were able to easily pick their choices for the day. Not all were successful in winning ownership, but the positive energy that surrounded the facility and sale ring made for a satisfying day!

Colton Curry, Dublin, TX purchased the high selling female, Lot #1, RRA Rachel 746-144 for \$11,000. She is a sleek, fancy January 2011 daughter of RRA Mulberry 26P 922. The dam of this impressive heifer, RRA Rachel 246 746, is a Grandcanyon 124 daughter. This animal was produced and sold by Rich Red Angus, Vinton, IA.

Wildcat Creek Ranch, Newton, KS submitted the highest bid for Lot #32, WSF MS Mandy 75M 427X at \$8,600. This tremendous Red Fine Line Mulberry 26P daughter was definitely a featured lot in the sale and did not disappoint! Her dam, Red FL Firefly 75M, was the highest selling female in last year’s Kick Off Classic and also went to Wildcat Creek Ranch. This animal was produced and sold by Walnut Springs Farm, Hopkins, MI.

Dana Mathes, Unionville, MO successfully outbid others to get another featured female in the sale, Lot #59, Batterson Duette 747T for \$7,500. This magnificent cow is a UBAR High Capacity 224 daughter out of the famed PIE Sams Duette 4027. Her phenomenal Mulberry 26P son was on hand to showcase her production history. This animal was produced and sold by Batterson Red Angus, Bloomfield, IA.

Daryl Rhodes, Rhodes Red Angus, Wichita, KS was the high bidder at \$5,900 for Lot #21, Montvue N155 Dina U353. This powerful, well designed cow is a LCB Jewel Maker N155 daughter out of Leachman Mattie F1274. This animal was sold by Rich Red Angus, Vinton, IA.

The top selling embryo packages went to Klein Red Angus, Scotia, NE. The first package, Lot #32A, sold by Walnut Springs Farm, Hopkins, MI, included six #1 embryos that are full siblings to Lot #32, mentioned earlier in this summary and sold for \$5,700. Another embryo package, Lot #68, sold by Wrights Farms, New London, IA, a Red Lazy MC Smash 41N X WNDW Better Day 23 cross, sold for \$3,200.

Klein Red Angus, Scotia, NE was the volume buyer of the day as well, with their purchase of 7 live animals and three embryo packages.

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Cattle sold into 13 states and Canada, including: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Texas.