71st SEMO Performance Bull Sale Expands Consignments In Other States

JACKSON, MO.

he SEMO All Breeds Performance Bull Sale is the oldest cooperative bull sale in the area and offers producers an excellent avenue to market their bulls. The coming sale, to be held October 19, 2012, at the Farmington Missouri Livestock Auction will except entries from out of state producers. This is the second sale that is open to producers in other states and this helps to meet the demand for high quality bulls being offered for sale. Entries are due by August 15, 2012.

The 70th sale, held March 3, 2012 averaged \$3426 and was the highest averaging sale in the history of the sale. The highest selling bull brought \$6000, and was consigned by Birk Cattle. Angus bulls led the average at \$3876. Bulls entered in the sale must be raised on the pro-

ducer's farm and meet qualifications for weight and EPD's. Complete performance data and EPD's are used in the sale to ensure buyers accurate information to make selections.

The SEMO Performance Tested Bull Sale was started in 1968 by University of Missouri Extension Livestock Specialists. The sale is conducted by the Southeast Missouri Beef Cattle Improvement Association and is a producer managed source of beef cattle genetics that is supervised by University of Missouri faculty. The Southeast sale started in 1968 and is the oldest area performance sale in the state.

The sale is open to all breeds of beef cattle and requirements can be viewed at semobeef.com . For more information on the sale call Roger Eakins at 573-243-3581 or Darrell Aufdenberg, Sale Manager at 573-270-6755. $\hfill \Delta$



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