



August 5, 1979 - Missouri Angus Field Day at Sydenstricker Angus Farms

In fact, in the August 1979 issue of *Angus Journal*, American Angus Association Executive Vice President C.K. Allen's "Lead In" column began with, "It has been said that change is traditional. And justifiably so, because if there is one thing we can count on, it's change." He went on to speak of the Angus breed being the most complete beef breed in terms of what it had to offer the commercial industry.

This genetic base of adaptability, maternal strength, and inherent marbling ability gave the Angus breed a basic advantage, but as breeders, we had to measure, document, and promote the attributes of the breed to move it to the forefront of the beef industry. As we reflect now on the size and accuracy of the Angus database, the development of EPDs, the success of *Certified Angus Beef*[®], and the communications expertise and outreach of Angus Productions, Inc., we see many of the reasons for the last 25 years of



success for the Angus breed.

The breeding operations in existence then, that are still in existence today, are the ones that embraced change, not for the sake of change. but because there was a better way.

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SAF Royal Queen 5084's great grandam entered our program as the top-selling heifer of the Leachman Angus Ranch Production Sale in 1982. With 14 sons already in service at SydGen, she will once again play a major role in our 26th Annual Production Sale on November 20, 2004. Mark your calendar and plan to be with us for one of the most exciting events of the fall sale season

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