

Kenner Simmentals 11th Annual Production Sale

February 10, 2007 · Farmer's Livestock · Bismarck, ND Selling 100 Bulls · 50 Bred Females



KS The Duke S30
Black Perfector x STF Rebecca
EPDs: 7 2 39 71 2 6 25



KS Sundance Kid S28 Dream On x KS Shania (Red Light) EPDs: 9 0 38 67 2 11 30



KS Jackson S238 SimAngus
Sitz Tradition x KS Kayla (Preferred Stock)
EPDs: - 2 44 84 - 13 35



KS Red Rock x KS Demmi (Perfector x Shania) EPDs: 3 4 39 72 4 10 29



KS Jesse James S426 SimAngus
BCC Bushwacker x Nichols Legacy
EPDs: - -2 33 64 - 11 27



Preferred Beef x Black Joker EPDs: 5 -1 36 68 3 14 32 AI bred to GW Lucky Man.

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President's Message...

A very successful Simmental weekend in Bismarck was a great way to end the year. I would like to congratulate the award winners at this year's banquet. Hats off to all of these recipients for jobs well done.

I would like to thank a few people for all their help in making the Simmental weekend a success. Erika Kenner was a great help in putting together some of the presentation speeches & Kim Myers for putting together the photo contest. A special thanks to Bob Grant. For those who have served on the board, especially as president, you know how valuable he is. Bob does so much more than most people realize. Thanks also to all the consignors, sales management, sales consultants and to all the buyers that make the sale a success.

Putting a successful up & down year behind us and to the anticipation of a new one. It's always fun to look forward to a new year but wishing that the time would slow down a bit to enjoy a little more. Everyone at our ranch is always excited this time of year as we look forward to the new calving season and the upcoming bull sale. From Dad harping that we need to start sorting off the close ones, to the five boys that can't hardly wait for the first calves to be born and to Bryan & myself to get through the bull sale.

Here's to continued success in 2007.

NDSA President Kelly Hanson

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Calendar of Events

January

- 13-17 National Western Stock Show Simmental Events Denver. CO
 - 15 National Western Simmental Sale "The One-Vol. XIV" Denver, CO
- 25-27 KMOT-TV Ag Expo Livestock Show Minot, ND
- 29 Spring Harvest Sale Bismarck. ND

February

- 2 4E Simmentals' Uppin' the Ante Bull & Female Sale Bismarck, ND
- 3 Larson's TL Ranch Production Sale Almont. ND
- 3 Klain Simmental Ranch Annual Production Sale Turtle Lake, ND
- 5 Haas Ranch Production Sale Mandan, ND
- 6 Hoiby-Hystad Bullnanza Sale Rugby, ND
- 6 James Creek Simmentals Private Treaty Bull Sale Heaton, ND
- 6 Koepplin's Black Simmental Bull Sale Mandan, ND
- 7 Big Sky Genetic Source Bull Sale Wibaux, MT
- 9 TNT Simmentals Annual Bull Sale Almont, ND
- 10 Grass-Lunning Bulls-Eye Bonanza Sale Lanesboro, MN
- 10 Kenner Simmental Ranch 11th Annual Production Sale Bismarck, ND
- II Rydeen Farms Vision IX Sale Clearbrook, MN

February continued

- 12 Dakota Power Bull Sale Valley City, ND
- 12 Traxinger Simmentals Bull Sale Claremont, SD
- 14 Wilkinson Annual Production Sale Napoleon, ND
- 15 Bichler/Johnson 2nd Annual Bull Sale Linton. ND
- 16 Dakota Xpress Simmental Sale Bismarck, ND
- 17 Ellingson Simmentals Production Sale Rugby, ND
- 18 Northern Plains Simmental Private Treaty Sale Bowbells. ND
- 20 Keller Broken Heart Ranch Annual Production Sale Mandan. ND

March

- 2 LaBatte Simmentals 27th Annual Production Sale Moose Jaw, SK
- 6 Doll Ranch Annual Production Sale *Mandan, ND*
- 7 Bata/Olafson Annual Production Sale Rugby, ND
- 10 NW ND Select Simmental Sale Stanley, ND
- 11 7N Simmentals Annual Production Sale Medina, ND
- 26 Nelson Livestock Production Sale Baker, MT

April

- Kjelgaard Simmental Production Sale Jamestown, ND
- 6 Edge of the West Bull Sale Mandan, ND

Don't Forget the Benefits of Crossbreeding for Your Commercial Customers

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Commercial cattle producers are in the thick of poring over bull catalogs this time of year. Don't let them ignore the benefits of a well planned crossbreeding program in their beef herd as they prepare to make bull purchases. Commercial producers should take advantage of crossbreeding to improve productivity in their cow herds.

Crossbreeding offers many advantages to the commercial producer. Crossbred cows are typically more productive, have greater fertility, and produce heavier calves than purebred cows. In addition, traits like longevity and adaptability are enhanced in a well-planned crossbreeding program. Data from the USDA-ARS Meat Animal Research Center (MARC) in Clay Center, Nebraska indicate that crossbred cows are 25% more productive than purebred cows. About 2/3 of that advantage comes from the crossbred cow while 1/3 comes from the crossbred calf.

Heterosis or hybrid vigor is the term used to describe the increase in productivity when comparing the crossbred offspring to the purebred parents. Traits which benefit the greatest from heterosis are things like fertility, adaptability, and longevity.

Taking advantage of complementary traits in different breeds is another advantage in crossbreeding programs. Taking advantage of breed complementarity in designing a crossbreeding program will allow a combination of traits in the offspring which are superior to the parents. In the data from MARC, Hereford-Angus cross cows are



moderate in frame size, milk production, and growth rate, making them well suited for a variety of production systems across the country.

Many commercial producers have become disenchanted with crossbreeding over the years. However, crossbreeding systems do not need to be complex to accomplish the desired objectives. A simple two breed rotational cross or a terminal sire program in which crossbred replacement females are purchased can simplify the systems and reduce the number of breeding pastures needed. A two breed rotational cross will offer 67% of the maximum heterosis possible, while the terminal sire system will offer 100% of the maximum heterosis possible.

Take the time to work with potential commercial customers this spring and emphasize the benefits of a well designed crossbreeding program.

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Farm Family of the Month

Written by Erika Kenner

A Family Affair

Growing up on the family farm near McGregor, ND, Lyndon Hoiby had the opportunity to be involved in the local 4-H program. His cattle project started with registered Polled Herefords when he was 10-15 years old, until he saw Brian Ross's Simmental at the State Fair. Lyndon was hooked, and started raising Simmental in 1982. His dad always had some commercial cows, but Lyndon focused on the registered end, and he liked the performance from the Simmentals.

Lyndon attended college in Wahpeton where he majored in Agriculture and played football. He married Shelley, originally from Minot, and they moved back to the family farm near McGregor. They have two children, Paige, 13, and Levi, 10. The entire family helps on the farm and Shelley also works three days a week as the head of Medical Records at the Kenmare Hospital, as well as volunteering her time as the local 4-H leader.

The Hoiby's manage 175 registered Simmental cows and 50 registered Simmental heifers of which 125 cows and all the heifers are Al bred. Lyndon plans to continue building the Simmental herd through Al and embryo transfer work for the future. In addition to the cows, Lyndon also grain farms; primarily raising small grains and a few pulse crops, like peas and lentils. Just recently, he went to all zero-till, which is much more efficient and economical.

For years, the Hoiby's sold all the bulls by private treaty and consigned several lots to the Stanley Sale. About five years ago, they held their first sale in

Minot, and three years ago, joined with Jim Hystad for the Hoiby-Hystad Bullnanza Sale. In the past, the Bullnanza sale was held in Bismarck, but this year the sale will be in Rugby on February 6th.

Paige and Levi are both very involved in the family operation and are enjoying their time in



the show ring. They attend as many shows as possible in the state and are members of the State Point Show Program. Paige has won in the past, but in 2006 Levi won both the Simmental and the Commercial divisions – the largest divisions of the Point Show competition.

Lyndon has been very involved in the cattle industry on the state level in several capacities. For six years, he was a North Dakota Simmental Association Board member, and he was a member of the North Dakota Stockman's board for four years. He has also been one of the advisors to the North Dakota Junior Simmental Association.

People who know the Hoiby's know how friendly and upbeat they are. Lyndon can brighten up any room he enters and always enjoys visiting with everyone. His self-deprecating and witty humor will bring a chuckle to anyone who talks to him.

There is no question why the Hoiby's were awarded the North Dakota Simmental Association Promoter of the Year Award in December at the annual meeting and banquet. They are promoting Simmental everywhere they go.

Looking for Performance? Saturday, Feb. 17, 2007 Rugby Livestock, Rugby, ND Ellingson Simmental Performance Bull & Female Sale 1:00 PM CST Selling 55 Simmental & A sample of the bulls for sale on Feb. 17th: SimAngus Yearling Bulls, 12-11 ADG CE <u>BW</u> MCE Sire x MGS 3 Two-Year-Old Bulls & guaranteed Wt. Daytona x Preferred Stock 105 Blk Blz 4.0 1.0 4.5 48.0 83.9 25 Open Heifers 1305 3.8 52.1 643 Powerline x Preferred Stock 102 Black 919 3.6 2.6 93.8 5.4 Red Blz 4.2 -0.1 3.5 57.2 92.0 Shocker x Americana 906 1330 102 659 Nophalt x Preferred Beef 103 Black 889 1270 4.0 4.0 3.3 43.6 83.3 ingson Simmental Shocker x Good-A-Nuff 105 Red 889 1293 3.9 3.6 53.1 82.2 1.3 672 Preferred Stock x BI Kansas 101 Blk Blz 883 1270 4.5 1.6 50.3 90.2 Traveler 004 x Long Cut 84 Black 879 1357 5.2 -0.6 40.2 85.2 Shocker x Long Cut 1180 4.2 51.3 82.1 97 Red spot 864 2.9 647 Dream On x Preferred Stock 94 Black 861 1273 9.2 1.6 78.2 Powerline x 600U 102 Black 1229 2.4 35.6 634 Fine Tune x Nophalt 90 Black 831 1227 5.2 1.7 43.1 **TERRY ELLINGSON & FAMILY** 1256 6.2 47.7 Contact us for a 639 Remington x BI Kansas 98 Black 820 4.7 4.1 84.7 701-384-6225 Freedom x Long Cut sale catalog or 1309 45.7 81.3 104 Red 820 3.4 14 5065 125th Ave. NE · Dahlen, ND 58224 Freedom x Bodybuilder 102 Red 820 1180 4.5 2.9 2.9 39.9 75.2 1.2 tellings@polarcomm.com 614 Freedom x Bodybuilder 75 Red 819 1278 4.7 2.9 1.4 38.6 74.3 1.2 Legacy x On Target Black 812 1205 0.0 28.7 51.5 4.7 GUEST CONSIGNORS: M&J Ranch, McCanna, ND: 701-397-5724

McDonald Farm & Simmental, Inkster, ND: 701-248-3654

Photo Contest

The North Dakota Simmental Association is sponsoring a photo contest this year. Pictures need to be colored, 8" x 10" and of Simmental cattle. Awards will be given for three places in youth and adult divisions. Pictures need to be delivered to Farmers Livestock before 12:00 pm on Friday, December 15, 2006. Please include on a piece of paper your name, address, and which division, youth or adult, your picture should be entered into. All entered pictures will not be returned and will become the property of NDSA for future use in advertisements.



The winners will be announced at the annual banquet held on Friday, December 15, 2006. Those unable to attend can mail their photos to Greg & Kim Myers, I2066 57th Street SE, Kathryn, ND 58049. The photos mailed to Greg & Kim must be received prior to December 13, 2006.

To view 2006 entries and winners go to... www.northdakotasimmental.com



29th Annual Production Sale

Tuesday, February 27th 1:30 pm CST Kist Livestock, Mandan ND

> 46 Thick beef bulls 7 Red bulls 13 Simmental/Angus % bulls 10 Bred Heifers



XL 6B CNS Dream On * Arapahoe EPDs: 8.7 0.9 43 67 1.5 4 25 Wt: 11-20-06

View Bulls online at: www.xlsimmental.com



XL 609 Prefered Beef * HSF Nasdaq EPDs: 7.6 1.85 34 61 2.85 9 26

Feeding arrangements available. Deduct \$50 if you haul your bull home sale day. Free delivery in Dakotas, 5% discount on 3 or more bulls. 37 years performance testing Simmental Ultrasound Tested Satisfaction Guaranteed

> Bill Larson 2406 8th Ave NE Lemmon, SD 57638 701-376-5360

James Creek

Your northern source for Fleckvi

Private Treaty sale begins February 6, 2007!

- Full Fleckvieh and Fleckvieh sired bulls
- · High quality, yearling and two year old bulls for sale
- AI sired bulls by: Richmond Regis, Sir Arnold 4011, BHR 666
- Excellent bulls by: MFI Monico, JCS Commander our Junior Fleckvieh herdsire
- · Growth, Maternal, Calving Ease, and Polled are included in the bull offering

Heathe & Holly Widicker

4664 Main St. • Heaton, ND 58418 701-984-COWS (2697) • jcscow@daktel.com www.jamescreeksimmental.com

Check out all of the bulls on our website. Performance data will be available after January 15. For more information on the bulls call or stop by. Feeding & delivery arrangements are available.

A big thank you to all our Simmental friends for your prayers, phone calls, cards and memorials in the loss of our Dad and Grandfather, Myron.

We appreciated all the help that was given in our absence at the ND Showcase Sale.

Words can't express how much it was truly appreciated.

Joe and Patty Bata · Chris and Penny Bata · Mark and Joey · Marlin

Haily-Stystad

Tuesday, FEB. 6, 2007 1:00 pm CT

NEW LOCATION: Rugby Livestock, Rugby, ND

Selling 50 Bulls & 15 Bred Heifers

Simmental bulls and bred females bred with commercial cattle producers in mind.

Dream On x Big Berth (Big Country) BW: 92 (ET) • WW: 834 EPDs: 9 1 48 80 2 3 27

Don't miss this opportunity to pick from the top of two of the state's most progressive herds!



Rezult x Fortune 500 BW: 90 • WW: 754 EPDs: 4 0 31 56 6 9 25



Hummer x Network BW: 102 • WW: 768 EPDs: 7 2 36 68 5 5 23

Herdsires represented: Dream On, Rezult, GFI Magnum, HC Hummer, Red Rock, NLC Fortune, Red Coat & Other Top Simmental Sires!

For more information, contact us:

Hoiby Simmental J Bar H Ranch **Simmental**

Lyndon Hoiby 7980 101st Ave. NW McGregor, ND 58755 701/546-4043

Jim Hystad 1920 47th St. N Velva, ND 58790-9104 701/624-5283



BW: 97 • WW: 752 EPDs: 1 1 27 47 4 7 21

Vision De

SimAngus Production Sale

Featuring 120 Exceptional Lots! 65 Bulls & 55 Females



GFI Rambler x M50 PB Angus-Bred



GFI Rambler x Meyer's Red Handed -WW 830



Preferred Beef x 8056 PB Angus -WW 780



Ellingson Legacy x NoPhalt -WW 855



Dream On x Redcoat -WW 825



BBS Phaltline x Big Sky -WW 860



LRS Paramount x Black Joker -Fall Bull



Rezult x Big Sky -Fall Bull



Freedom x Trendsetter -WW 870

February 11, 2007 1:00 PM, At the Farm

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rydeen@gvtel.com
Ruffy Brook Simmentals

For online catalog visit: www.simmgene.com www.breedingcattlepage.com

All sale cattle will be TB tested.

NORTHERN PLAINS SIMMENTAL

1st Annual Bull Sale • February 18, 2007 • At the Ranch northeast of Bowbells

SELLING 20 BLACK AND RED BULLS

Al sires include: Hummer, Powerline, On Target, Nophalt, & Magnum

Sample of Bulls

NPS \$151 Sire: Powerline

BW: 91 WW: 810

NPS S265 Sire: On Target BW: 92 WW: 765

NPS S25 Sire: Hummer EPDs: 4, 4, 39, 71, 5, 10, 29 EPDs: 3, 3, 34, 61, 3, 1, 18 EPDs: 7, 1, 36, 73, 0, 1, 16

BW: 87 WW: 775

4 bred and 4 open heifers consigned to the NW Select Sale will be on display. NW Select Sale date is March 10, 2007 in Stanley, ND.







For more information or to request a catalog call: JR and Miranda Aufforth • Bowbells, ND • (701) 377-2870

Thank

Thank you to Austin Vachel, Pearl Valley Simmentals, Ross, ND for his \$10,300 purchase of BTS Elegant Dream S627 at the 2006 North Dakota Simmental Classic Sale in Bismarck, ND. Watch for her development in his young program! Also, thanks to contending bidder Brian Hanson, Triple H Simmentals, Hannaford, ND.

> We would also like to thank Gary Greniger, Sugar Brook Farm, MN, for their \$3200 purchase of BTS Ms Alliance S616. Your confidence in our program is appreciated.

> > **BLACK TIE SIMMENTALS**

"Producing Quality Simmental Stock"

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Tim & Tam Clark 1999B 18th St NW Turtle Lake, ND 58575 701-799-7752

Mark your Calendars! Dakota Power Bull Sale February 12, 2007

Valley City, ND

North Dakota Simmental Association Classic Sale Results

December 16, 2006 - Bismarck, ND

I Flush: \$4,000 3 Embryo Lots: \$2,016 31 Breds: \$2,965 29 Opens: \$2,265

64 Lots \$167,650 Gross

\$2,620 Average

Volume Buyers:

Mike Stavick, Veblen, SD Erika Kenner, Bozeman, MT Kenner Simmental, Leeds, ND Seven G Ranch, South Heart, ND

High Selling Breds

Lot 30 R507 \$5,200

Consignor: Traxinger Simmentals Buyer: Ulmer Cattle Co., Oaks, ND

Lot 7 STR 3108 MS PBEEF R502 \$4,300

Consignor: Strommen Simmentals Buyer: Clearwater Simmental, Milan, IN

Lot 10 THSR Rosanna R522 \$4,100

Consignor: Triple H Simmentals Buyer: Kenner Simmental, Leeds, ND

Lot 20 PSR Crackin Good 184R \$4,000

Consignor: Pherson Simmentals Buyer: Erika Kenner, Bozeman, MT

High Selling Opens

Lot 53 BTS Elegant Dream \$627 \$10,300

Consignor: Black Tie Simmentals

Buyer: Austin Vachel of Pearl Valley Simmental, Ross, ND

Lot 61A BCLR Miss Shayler S615 \$4,200

Consignor: Bichler Simmental

Buyer: Pearl Valley Simmental, Ross, ND

Lot 50 KS Miss Opal S246 \$4,000

Consignor: Kenner Simmental Buyer: Mike Traxinger, Claremont, SD

High Selling Embryos

Lot 2B Kayla/Traveler 004 \$450 each

Consignor: Kenner Simmental Buyer: Western Cattle Source

Lot 2A Kayla/Lucky Man \$400 each

Consignor: Kenner Simmental Buyer: Raisin Cain Cattle Co, IN

Sale Managed by: North Dakota Simmental

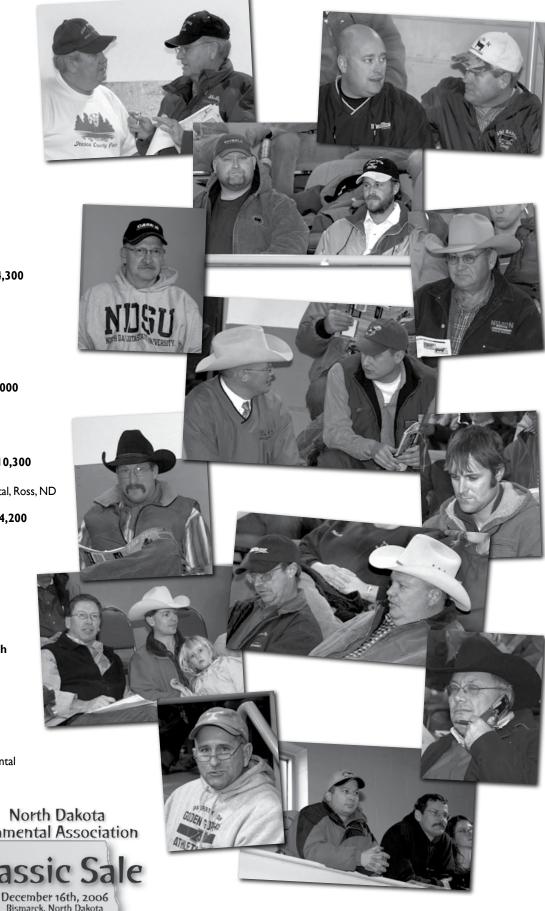
Auctioneer: Tracy Harl

Sale Consultant: DP

Doug Parke 153 Bourbon Hills Paris, KY 40361 PLEENT@aol.com



Thanks for attending!



Johnson & Bichler Simmentals

2nd Annual Bichler/Johnson "Quality, Not Quantity" Bull Sale

February 15, 2007 at Linton Livestock in Linton, ND. Sale time is 1:00 PM. 35 yearling Red and Black Simmental and SimAngus bulls sell



S15
Dream On X Power Drive
EPDs: 11, -.2, 32, 57, 5, 1, 17
Several stylish, solid black bulls in the offering.



S264 Extra Effort X Fortune 500EPDs: 8, .4, 23, 44, 3, 8, 19
4 Extra Effort sons sell.



S26
TNT Gunner X BBS Redcoat
EPDs: 8, -.6, 26, 49, 3, 8, 20
4 powerful gunner sons sell.



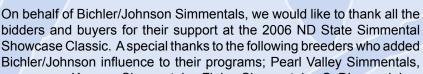
S510L
Perfector X Joker
EPDs: 6, 3, 40, 74, 0, 7, 27
He is the high performing bull of the offering. A true herdsire prospect!

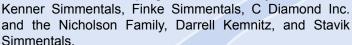


S99-2
Traveler 004 X Red Power (Tizzy)
EPDs are -, 2, 36, 73, -, 8, 26
5 1/2 bloods sell including 2 004 sons out of a Tizzy daughter.



JSF Rosa







BCLR Miss Shaylee S515
Look for flush mates and maternal
brothers to these high selling heifers in
the 2007 Bichler/Johnson Bull Sale!

www.johnson-bichlersimmentals.com

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Bata Brothers/Olafson Brothers

Joint Simmental Bull and Female Sale

March 7, 2007 • 1:00 PM CST

Sale location: Rugby Livestock Auction, Hwy. 2 West, Rugby, North Dakota

75 Bulls — Registered Purebreds, 3/4 Bloods and SimAngus • Reds and Blacks • Solids and Baldies

45 Registered Bred Heifers — Purebreds, 3/4 bloods & SimAngus • Sired by and bred to the nation's leading sires

5 Open Heifers





Dream On x 600U
EPDs: 11 2 46 80 2 6 29
This Dream On son is out of a high performing
600U dam with ratios of 108 for weaning and 105
for yearling. Check out his high growth EPDs!



Nichols Legacy x TNT Trooper M256 EPDs: 8 2 36 66 5 4 23 Stylish and thick with extra, extra length. This Legacy son has excellent EPDs and high growth from his maternal grandsire, TNT Trooper.



Dream On x Black Irish Kansas
EPDs: 11 0 35 63 4 4 22
Tremendous natural thickness, eye appeal and depth of rib. He is as thick a calf as we have ever raised. Dream On will live on through this exciting new herdsire prospect.



BF N324 Triathlon x Black Irish Kansas EPDs: 8 3 40 77 6 6 26 Sired by Triathlon, our new senior herdsire who is doing a tremendous job of siring performance and style. Several Triathlon sons will be at the front end of the sale order.



RFS Maximum x BBS Zima D55
EPDs: 2 4 61 94 0 -2 29
Our top weaning weight bull, he is as thick
and deep as you can make them.



BBS Redeye P35 x MV Red Light
EPDs: 3 2 40 64 1 2 22
Redeye had a 19.7" REA as a yearling and
indications are his offspring won't disappoint us.



TNT Top Cut x TNT Black Boss F131
EPDs: 4 4 49 87 6 6 31
Our Top Cut sons averaged 838 lbs at weaning with 88 lbs birth weight. A true performance black Simmental bull. Order your semen today!



BOZ Redcoat x Meyers Red Line EPDs: 5 3 49 80 6 0 24 Three outstanding sons of Redcoat sell, including a son of the great J109.



Nichols Legacy x Ellingson Black Perfector EPDs: 7 2 36 64 4 6 23 Our entry to the NDSA Classic Sale. More females like her will sell on March 7th!

SALE DAY PHONE: 701-776-6393

Sires represented in the bull pen:

CNS Dream On PPSR Nophalt BOZ Redcoat TNT Top Cut BF N324 Triathlon Nichols Legacy BBS Redeye P35 Meyers Redline BBS Redneck M25 RFS Maximum THS Freedom Many bulls are being tested for Homozygous Polled View our catalog online at: www.simmgene.com, after February 15.





BREEDING WILL FOR FUTURE IIII

WILKINSON FARMS SIMMENTALS

Annual Production Sale

Wednesday, February 14, 2007, 1:00 pm CST
Napoleon Livestock, Napoleon, ND
Sale Day Phone: 1-800-932-8821
Selling: 50 Powerful Polled Bulls
(5 Percentage Bulls)
15 Open Heifers (out of first calf heifers)



WS Expressway S34
Hart's Four Lane x Kappes Rock Solid
BW: 105 • WW: 832
EPDs: 2 3 48 83 5 8 32
Outcross black herd sire prospect. Dam had 110
REA Index and 125 IMF Index.



WS Powerpack S12

Powerline x Nophalt

BW: 83 • WW: 813

EPDs: 2 1 40 77 5 8 28

Exciting heavy-muscled powerhouse with a 113

BW Index and 110 WW Index.



CDI 1758
Pelton's Manfred x Hook's Shear Force
BW: 96 • WW: 862
EPDs: 10 1 39 67 5 12 32
Exclusive black Manfred x Shear Force mating
with depth and muscle along with balanced EPDs
and good growth. WW Index 111. BW Index 105.



WS Red Force S41
Hook's Shear Force x EC45 X's Red
BW: 105 • WW: 756 [107 Index]
EPDs: 10 2 43 68 2 10 31
Solid red outcross that ranks in the top 20% or
higher in: CE, WW, MM, MWW, YG, MB and REA.



CDI 121S
TNT Gunner x ER Black Cisco
BW: 103 • WW: 858
EPDs: 9 2 39 67 2 4 24
Stylish red Gunner son with excellent muscle expression, sound structure and a unique pedigree. WW Index 110.



WS Sir Loin S15
R Plus Red Ribeye x Branded Beef
BW: 94 • WW: 735
EPDs: 4 1 39 71 5 11 30
Solid red non-diluter with a different pedigree.
Dam is black with a 121 REA Index. He shows it!



WS Prime Rib R69
SRS Preferred Beef x Nichol's Legacy
BW: 95 • WW: 750
EPDs: 6 3 36 63 5 9 27
Fall-born bull with tremendous length, quarter, and top. Dam is as beautiful a cow as you'll find.



CDI 112S
PPSR Nophalt x Hook's Shear Force
BW: 88 • WW: 906
EPDs: 8 0 30 64 1 11 26
Heterozygous black standout that was #1 for
Adj. WW. Dam is hard-working 2nd calf heifer.
WW Index 116. BW Index 110.



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Byproducts 101: Understanding How Four Common Byproducts Are Produced and Why It Impacts Nutritional Value

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Byproducts (or as some like to call them, co-products) are becoming increasingly available in this region. In particular, things like dried distillers grains, corn gluten feed, soybean hulls, and wheat middlings are available in large quantities in North Dakota. The current dilemma faced by many producers is that much of the volume produced by these plants has been contracted out this fall when corn prices increased and feed became more expensive. However, there are still some quantities of these byproducts available from certain plants.

This column will help you gain a better understanding of how each of these byproducts is produced and, as a result, what the nutritive value of each byproduct is and some of its limitations. After you read this, you should be better equipped to make informed decisions about which of these might have a place on your ranch.

General Comments About Grain and Oilseed Processing

In general, most grain or oilseed processing is intended to extract either starch or oil from a grain or oilseed. For example, with soybean processing, the goal is to extract the oil that is used in the human food market. In ethanol production, the goal is to turn corn starch into fuel grade alcohol (ethanol). Knowing what the processor wants to extract is the first step in understanding what the resulting byproduct should consist of from a nutrition standpoint. In most cases, processors are extracting starch or oil and the remaining materials (generally fiber, protein, and minerals) are usually more concentrated in the remaining byproduct than they are in the original grain or oilseed.

The other thing to keep in mind is that each company's process will vary slightly from plant to plant. In addition, many other factors, such as grain source, processing methods, plant age, and production technologies impact the resulting nutritive value of the byproducts produced. Remember that some companies place importance on managing byproducts to ensure less variation and improved product quality, while others may simply see byproduct production as an opportunity to get rid of materials that are not their primary business commodity. There is nothing inherently good or bad about either strategy. However, it is important to understand the company's philosophy so you know what to expect.

Dried Distillers Grain

Distillers grains are byproducts of the dry milling industry. As the name implies, corn is dry milled or hammer milled prior to the addition of water. The proper name for this byproduct in the AAFCO (American Association of Feed Control Officials) handbook is corn distillers dried grains plus solubles, but in most cases, it is simply referred to as dried distillers grains or distillers grains. In this area of the county, corn is by far the most common feedstock used in ethanol production. It is important to note that plants that use wheat, barley, or other cereal grains will produce different byproducts.

In the ethanol production process, corn is ground, mixed with yeast and enzymes, and the resulting fermentation process produces ethanol from the corn starch. The mixture is distilled to remove the ethanol. The remaining mixture is centrifuged to separate the mash from the solubles. Some of the moisture in the remaining liquid byproduct is removed by heating to create condensed distillers solubles. This is added back to the mash to make distillers grains plus solubles. This product can be marketed as a wet byproduct (wet distillers grain plus solubles; generally referred to as wet distillers grains) or it can be dried to produce dried distillers grains plus solubles. This byproduct contains corn proteins, corn oil, spent yeast cells, fermentation byproducts, and some soluble proteins that result from the fermentation process. Dried distillers grains is difficult to pellet due to the fat content. High levels of phosphorus and sulfur can be found in dried distillers grains.

Corn Gluten Feed

Corn gluten feed is a byproduct of the wet milling industry. In the wet milling industry, corn is steeped in water and sulfurous acid prior to the milling procedure.

The steeping process helps ready the corn kernel for milling to separate it into components such as corn starch, corn germ, gluten, and bran. The corn starch is then used to make corn sweetener (high fructose corn syrup). The corn germ is usually processed further to remove the corn oil, while corn gluten meal (a high protein feed) is separated for sale into the poultry and pet food markets. The corn bran is combined with corn steep liquor (the liquid byproduct from the steeping process) to make corn gluten feed. Corn gluten feed contains soluble proteins and corn fiber or bran. The bran is a highly digestible fiber for ruminant animals. Dry corn gluten feed can be pelleted.

The addition of sulfurous acid during the steeping process increases the sulfur content of the resulting corn gluten feed. This, in combination with high sulfate water, can result in problems with polioencephalomalacia (PEM or polio).

Wheat Middlings

Wheat middlings (wheat midds) are the byproduct of flour or semolina production from either wheat (in this area generally spring wheat) or durum. The millers are interested in removing the flour or starch from the wheat kernel. The resulting byproduct consists of the wheat bran, wheat germ, and small amounts of starch. Small amounts of water are added in the milling process to improve efficiency (usually less than 5% by weight), but this added water necessitates the use of aeration fans or flat storage in order to prevent mold development or spoilage.

Wheat midds are a very popular feedstuff because they are highly palatable, improve pelleting quality in commercial feeds, and are very versatile. The can be used in many different commercial feed formulations. Most wheat midds are pelleted. Bulk (non-pelleted) midds are very bulky, making them difficult to handle in conventional grain handling systems. I recommend purchasing them pelleted to ease transportation and handling concerns. Pellet sizes in North Dakota mills generally range from 1/4 to 1/2 inches.

Soybean Hulls

Soybean hulls are a byproduct of the soybean processing industry. Soybeans are passed through a roller mill to crack the beans and begin the hull removal process. The meats and hulls are screened to separate the hull from the meat. The meat portion undergoes hexane oil extraction while the hull is generally pelleted prior to sale. Soybean hulls are another source of highly digestible fiber and contain approximately 12 percent CP.

Table I shows the nutritional characteristics of the four byproducts mentioned in this article. For more detailed information, refer to the following bulletins:

General Byproduct Information:

http://www.ext.nodak.edu/extpubs/ansci/beef/as1182.pdf

Distillers Grains:

http://www.ext.nodak.edu/extpubs/ansci/beef/as1242.pdf

Corn Gluten Feed:

http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/library/lvstk2/mf2488.pdf

Wheat Middlings:

http://www.ext.nodak.edu/extpubs/ansci/livestoc/as1175w.htm

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Prices and Suppliers:

http://www.ag.ndsu.nodak.edu/aginfo/dairy/dairyext/coproduct.htm

Table I. Nutrient composition of selected byproducts.

	%, DM Basis				
Byproduct	СРа	TDNa	Calcium	Phosphorus	
Dried Distillers Grain	29.5	86.0	0.10	0.40	
Corn Gluten Feed	21.5	83.0	0.10	1.20	
Wheat Middlings	19.1	83.0	0.16	1.01	
Soybean Hulls	12.4	80.0	0.59	0.17	
aCP = Crude Protein; TDN = Total Digestible Nutrients					

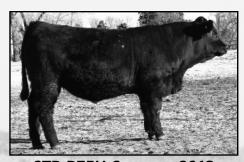
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North Dakota Simmental Association Annual Banquet

Appreciation of Service to the ND Simmental Association **Sue Erickson**

Twenty-five years ago the Bob and Sue Erickson family purchased their first purebred Simmental cattle. This was the start of their involvement with the North Dakota Simmental Association and friendships across the nation. As the family attended shows, it became natural for Sue to help and encourage the young people that were showing cattle. This evolved into her becoming a Youth Advisor for the Junior Simmental Association. She managed two successful ASA Regional Junior Classics. Sue also served on the original Northern Black Simmental Classic Sale board and remained on the sale committee through 2006.



In 1997, Sue became Editor of the new North Dakota Simmental Scene. With this, she became the unofficial representative of the NDSA. She attended shows, sales, cattle tours, Junior events and especially the State Fair. We know that she has made many friends through this association. The NDSA would like to thank her for all the years of dedicated service to the association.

Pioneer Award Winner

Gary Skretteberg

MGL Simmentals of Carson was started in 1972, consisting of Morville, Gary and Loren Skretteberg. The ranch name was later changed to 3M Simmentals, but the top quality genetics always remained the same. The ranch is located along the beautiful Heart River, which made for an ideal setting for cow-calf production. The Skretteberg ranch operated with great efficiency. Cows could often graze corn stalks

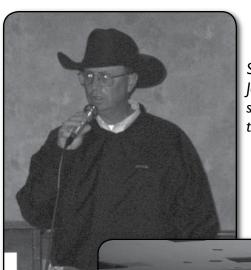


and water out of the river up to a month before calving. When they were calved out, the mothers and calves were back out into small groups benefiting from the natural protection of the Heart River.

When the Skrettebergs joined forces with Meyer Simmentals and Moser Simmentals in the early 1970's to hold their production sale at Farmer's Livestock. The very first sale was held after a stock cow sale. The wives of the group sat in the seats hoping the crowd would stick around after the cows sold. Much to their surprise the stands filled up even more before the bull sale! Needless to say, those impressive Halfblood bulls sold well.

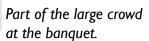
3M Simmental pedigrees show up in many herds around the nation. Many females out of this herd have gone on to become donors for their respective owners such as, MGL 325R, 3M 81B and 3M Molly.

Gary and Audrey Skretteberg's 3M Simmentals have made their mark not only on the North Dakota Simmental Association but the entire Simmental Breed. Congratulations Gary and Audrey.



Sale Manager, JeffThomas, speaks at the banquet

Junior of the Year Justin Hanson



North Dakota Simmental Association Annual Banquet

Promoter of the Year Award

Lyndon Hoiby Family

Anyone who has attended a show in the state in the past year has seen this man with his wife, two kids and a few head of cattle. Not only are they attending shows, but winning the State Point Shows in both the Simmental and the Commercial divisions — the two largest divisions of competition. Promoting Simmental is what they do everywhere they go.

Starting in the Simmental breed through 4-H in 1982, the herd has grown to 175 registered Simmental cows and 50 registered Simmental heifers. Lyndon

markets his bulls at this own bull sale each year in February. Without any hired help, the whole family pitches in to help with the farm work. Grain farming is also an important part of their lives, raising small grains, peas and lentils. Just recently going to zero till has made things more efficient and economical.



In addition to his own operation, Lyndon has also been involved on the state level, serving on the NDSA Board for six years and the North Dakota Stockmen's Association Board for four years. He has also been a junior advisor for the ND Simmental Association.

The friendly, upbeat and humorous attitude of this family has been a positive attribute to the North Dakota Simmental Association. Lyndon can easily put a smile on everyone's face and is a great ambassador for the breed.

Lyndon Hoiby, thank you for all your hard work promoting the Simmental breed in North Dakota. You and your wife, Shelly, and children, Paige and Levi, have worked very hard to improve your herd through the years. You represent the breed and the Association proudly.



Senior of the Year Tyler Klain

Coloring Contest Winners

Commercial Breeder of the Year

Keith Johnson

The commercial breeders in North Dakota are an important part of our seed stock business. Without the commercial breeders, there would be a limited number of successful bull sales in our state each year. The Simmental business has had its ups and downs, and it is because of the commercial breeders using Simmental in their herds that keep it going.

Each year the North Dakota Simmental Association recognizes a commercial breeder who is successful by using Simmental genetics. This year it is not just a breeder, but a family. A family who has been in the commercial cattle business since the early 1960's as a family partnership of three brothers that has since changed ownership to two of the sons.

What started out as a commercial Hereford herd of about 60 head and milking Holsteins, has now grown into a herd of 500 commercial Simmentals cows. At first, they were using halfblood Simmental bulls until they purchased their purebred Simmental genetics at the Valley City Winter Show in 1980. A majority of the Simmental cattle have been purchased from Bata Brothers at Adams, ND, for which they maintain a recipient herd.

The operation schedule consists of backgrounding the calves until they are about 800 pounds and selling in January. The replacement heifers are selected and the cull heifers are sold in February. By using CIDR's, they synchronize the replacement heifers the beginning of May and breed them to Red Angus bulls. As a result of their careful genetic selection, in January 2005, a group of heifers sold to a cattle feeder in Illinois and 95% of them graded Choice.

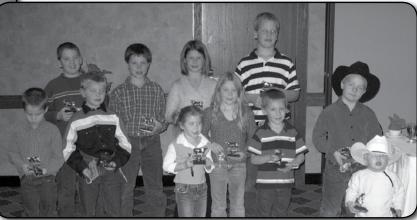
It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to continue a third generation family farm. The family of Johnson Stock Farm, at Sharon, has done an exemplary job of continuing the family tradition. Started by Norris Johnson in 1960, it was

transferred to his sons: Keith, Wayne and Leslie where Keith primarily managed the cattle. In 2004, Wayne leased his cows and farmland to Keith's sons Chris and Jeremy. Currently the farm is operated by Chris, Jeremy and their father Keith.

Keith is very active on the state level, recently being elected to the North Dakota Stockmen's Association Board. He is also on the Vocational Advisory Board for the Northwood School and has been on the Central Livestock Board of Directors for 13 years.



The North Dakota Simmental Association would like to congratulate Keith and Wayne Johnson of Johnson Stock Farm as the 2006 Commercial Breeder of the Year!



News from the ASA...

by Kelly Schmidt, ASA Field Representative

Greetings from the road! I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and is having a great start to 2007! The Simmental business in my territory is as strong as ever. I am lucky to travel in ND, SD, NE, IA, MN, and WI where demand for Simmental genetics continues to rise. I have to say that I am very optimistic about the spring bull sale season. This past fall Simmental sale season consisted mostly of bred and open female sales. Sales in September and October showed once again, that the value in a Simmental and Simmental Foundation females continues to go up in the seedstock and commercial herd alike. Of course the jump in the corn market in October affected some sales thereafter. The sales that I attended in late October and after were still very successful with bred heifers selling very well. Open heifers were up and down from sale to sale. Territory, drought, and number of open heifers offered affected the value of the open heifers. But all in all, I was very pleased with the results of those female sales. Incidentally, the higher corn market caused a decrease in the price of feeder cattle at the market. They certainly are not bringing the prices they did a year ago, but are definitely acceptable as you look at ten year averages. The value of feeder cattle at the sale barn has remained at a level where it is very feasible for commercial cattlemen to look for new bulls. Again, I am looking forward to a good spring of Simmental sales.

The ASA is continuing to work on new programs and ideas to improve selection and creation of Simmental seedstock. We are in the second year of the Carcass Merit Program and the steers from the herds in Montana were weaned, weighed, and are on feed in Illinois. It will be exciting to see the results of another set of cattle on feed at University of Illinois. Solid understanding of carcass traits and feed efficiency is becoming more and more crucial in commercial herds and especially feed yards. Many of the progressive feed

yards are demanding cattle with carcass predictability. They want not only marbling, but also a muscle and yield grade improvement and this is where Simmental genetics play a huge role.

Also, I have to remind you about a few other things. The ASA's new SimChoice tagging program is up and running. Marty Ropp, Director of Field Services, talked in detail about this program in the last issue of this magazine. I encourage you to look back at that article and consider the benefits of that program. The Spring board meetings will be held in January at the National Western Stock Show. Contact your region's ASA trustees if there are any issues or topics you want to share with them. Your input matters and is taken into consideration when discussing improvements to the Association.

I want to congratulate the North Dakota Simmental Association on a great meeting and sale in December. The offering of cattle that the breeders put together was tremendous. The sale was a great success and was as strong in quality and value as any I had attended this fall. I also want to commend the membership of the NDSA for cooperation and unity that your Association has. Common goals, high quality cattle, and excited Association membership make events like that meeting and sale a lot more fun, not to mention, my job more fun too!

Best of luck to all of you as we head into the spring bull sale and calving season. I am looking forward to most of the bulls sales this spring. If I can help you at all regarding the American Simmental Association or locating Simmental cattle at a sale, please let me know. Take care and be safe.

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Bulls For Sale by Private Treaty

Also consigning Bulls and Females to the NW Select Simmental Sale in Stanley, ND on Saturday, March 10, 2007

Gary Sys 9400 205th Avenue SW Douglas, ND 58735 (701)722.3244



SYS S638

Fortune 500 x Sys Lori

BW: 96 lbs WW: 784 lbs

EPDs: 7 2.0 37 66 3 6 25



SYS S624
Hummer x Goldmine
BW: 86 lbs WW: 701 lbs
EPDs: 9 0.4 32 65 1 7 24



SYS S623 Nophalt x Fortune 500 BW: 98 lbs WW: 786 lbs EPDs: 7 2.5 36 73 1 8 26



SYS S626

Hummer x Power Drive

BW: 93 lbs WW: 769 lbs

EPDs: 7 1.8 36 75 4 6 24

From Head to Tail ... Maternal to Rail

Klain Simmental Has You Covered!



KSR Ranger 535S

March 8 • 96 lbs • 784 lbs • No Phalt x Sarge • Pld CE BW WW YW MCE MM MW CW YG MB 4 2.8 47 84 3 5 29 10 .07 .11 Ranger is an exceptional ET bull out of a tremendous dam. He has one of the best red pedigrees and super EPDs to boot!



Saturday,

Feb. 3, 2007

1:00 pm • Turtle Lake, ND Turtle Lake Weigh Station

Selling:

56 Yearling Simmental Bulls (20 red, 36 black)

5 Yearling Angus Bulls 12 Open Femaless

KSR Rock Solid 715S

March 5 • 97 lbs • 815 lbs • NightRider x Blk Cloud • Pld CE BW WW YW MCE MM MW CW YG MB 6 2.8 50 88 5 8 33 4 -.04 0 Here's an impressive black power bull that was the highest indexing bull in his group. Check out his high performance numbers yet low BW EPD.



KSR Total Package 219S

Feb. 24 • 96 lbs • 834 lbs • DreamOn x Lucky Break • Pld CE BW WW YW MCE MM MW CW YG MB 10 -.2 37 63 3 3 21 -9.6 -.05 .11 Here is one of the deepest, thickest, solid black bulls you will find. Total Package has it all!

35 Years Performance Testing II Years Ultrasound Testing

TTC Dream Up 257S

March 1 • 84 lbs • 725 lbs • DreamOn x Transf • Pld CE BW WW YW MCE MM MW CW 9 2.4 46 75 2 3 26 -3.8 This ranch favorite is impressive from all angles - smooth shouldered, big top and quarter and a wide birth-to-weaning spread.



KF Integrity 633 (Angus)

Jan. 30 • 86 lbs • 770 lbs • Integrity x Neutron/Rito • Pld CED BW WW YW CEM M * MIMF UREA UFAT 6 3 33 66 6 24 2 .34 A very high-marbling, performance Angus bull sired by the great Integrity out of a Neutron-Rito dam. A super-thick, well-balanced Angus bull.

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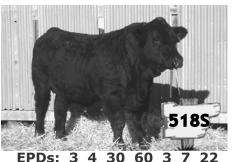
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SOLID STATE x MEYERS BLACK DAKOTA

3 ET brothers selling



PREFERRED BEEF x **LUCKY DICE**

7 Preferred Beef sons selling



EPDs: 5 2 33 66 2 7 24

NOPHALT x LUCKY BREAK

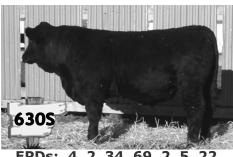
9 Nophalt sons selling



EPDs: 0 4 37 70 3 6 245

POWERLINE x **BDV FESTUS**

2 Powerline sons selling



EPDs: 4 2 34 69 2 5 22

HUMMER x **BLACK ADVANTAGE**

3 Hummer sons selling



EPDs: 6 2 32 57 4 3 19

JBS N150 Encore x **BLACK** PERFECTOR

5 JBS N150 sons selling



EPDs: 5 3 29 62 2 9 24

NOPHALT x **LEACHMAN** 600U

Unbelievable disposition

Annual Production Sale 2:00 PM CST

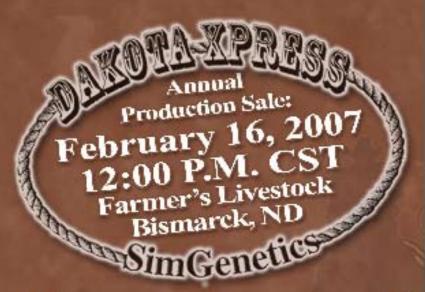
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Dream On x Goldmine Adj 205: 793 lbs. Marb: .14 11 0 40 65 0 7 27

175 Simmental & Sim-Angus Bulls • 60 bred females • 45 open females

Four Powerful Progr One Common Goal...



Shamrock x NBI Stockhand Adj 205: 780 lbs. Marb: 14 8 2 35 60 6 5 22



Adj 205: 812 lbs. Marb: 18





Sire: Above Par Bred to: Shear Purce Mart: -. 51



Remineton Red Label x Americana Adj 205: 801 lbs. Marb: 16



Sire: THSF Freedom 300N Bred to: LCC Najer League Mart: .08 5 8 85 67 1 8 21



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Bull Sale February 12, 2007

Valley City, North Dakota Winter Show Building



BTS S607 — PB
Dream On x Fortune 500
EPDs: 10 0 32 59 2 3 19



BTS S620 — SimAngus KMK Alliance 6595 187 x RFS H91 EPDs: - 2 45 90 - 3 26



BTS S626 — Sim Angus Cherokee Canyon x ER Black Cisco 532C EPDs: - -1 34 60 - 0 17



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Dream On x Fortune 500
EPDs: 10 2 41 70 2 6 26



THSR S630 — PBDream On x ER Black Cisco 532C
EPDs: 10 0 34 59 3 8 25



PSR 5S — SimAngus BJR Make My Day 981 x GW Lucky Break EPDs: - -3 21 47 - 7 17



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