

MILLAR Angus BULL•e•tin Fall 2020

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150 Bred Heifers to sell at Faith Livestock

If you're in the market for some top-quality, commercial Angus bred females be at Faith Livestock on Monday, November 30th.



Front-end, bred heifers will sell Monday, November 30th at Faith Livestock.

We're bringin' the girls to town! We're proud to offer 150 commercial, Black Angus bred heifers for sale at Faith Livestock on Monday, November 30th.

These top-notch bred heifers are backed by strong maternal qualities, dispositions and are all home-rasied.

Heifers have been ultrasounded and sorted into three calving groups. The AI bred heifers were AI'd to Millars Duke 816, a calving-ease B Bar Windy 7 3575 son. The pasture bred females are bred to low-birth weight sons of Connealy Stingray.

For more info, contact Jon Millar: (605)347-0553 or (605)347-2855.

A complete breakdown of the offering can be found on page 4. 

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— Around the Ranch —



Well...I didn't see a year like this one comin'! All I can say is I'm thankful of where we live. I couldn't imagine our clan being cooped up in some big city apartment. At least I could kick everyone outside with a to-do-list when things got a little rowdy!

Things came to a stand still last March when activities were deleted from our family calendar at record speeds and the kitchen table got turned into a school room. All in all, the kids took it in stride. While Kobi missed the social aspect of school, Ryle's challenge was staying in the house long enough to do school work while there were "way more important things to do outside!"

To my knowledge, the cattle never did get the memo on the virus and still wanted fed. So, our spring and summer remained full of chores, haying, irrigating and taking care of critters.

The silage is in a pile and we've been plugging away at fall projects. Here's wishing you and your family a safe and healthy Fall!

Breezy Millar

Teacher of the Year

(Still waiting for my award though... huh, must be lost in the mail)



Focusing on the Customer:

Marlin & Linda Brink

Union Center, SD



"Jon and Breezy take the time to understand your program and help you meet those goals."

A little bit about the Brink Ranch: We run a Black Angus cow/calf operation. We have been selling our steers on a N.H.T.C. program to the same buyer for 6-8 years weighing in the upper 600 pounds every year. We retain ownership of our heifers, A.I. them in the spring and clean up with Millar Angus bulls. We then sell the excess in the fall as bred heifers.

Millar Angus genetics on the Brink Ranch: We have been retaining ownership of our heifers and as you get older docility becomes more important along with milk and other maternal characteristics. The Millar Angus genetics meet and exceed those qualities. Jon and Breezy

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Kobi's Snowball Cookies

Millar Angus
APPROVED

- 1 1/2 cups (3 sticks) butter or margarine, softened
- 3/4 cup powdered sugar
- 1 tablespoon vanilla
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 cups "mini" chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup finely chopped nuts
- Powdered sugar

Preheat oven to 375. Beat butter, powdered sugar, vanilla and salt in mixing bowl until creamy. Gradually beat in flour. Stir in chocolate chips and nuts. Shape tablespoons of dough into 1" balls. Place on ungreased baking sheet. Bake 10-12 minutes until cookies are set and lightly browned. Remove from oven. Sift powdered sugar over hot cookies on baking sheet. Cool on baking sheet for 10 minutes, then remove to wire racks.

• This recipe really came from the Nestle Toll House cookbook, but Kobi loved them so much they got renamed at our house. They're one of her favorite cookies to make at Christmas, her favorite holiday by far!

I don't think anyone could've predicted the year 2020! I know each family has been affected differently. Our hope is everyone has remained healthy, but we know that's not always the case. For those families directly affected we pray you recovered fully with minimal complications. For those who have lost a loved one, we have you in our prayers and offer you our deepest condolences.

-The Millar Family

2020: What the What!

When things started coming to a stand still last spring our family took the approach of "making the best out of a bad situation".

Well, I don't think anyone predicted a year like this one! Like most families, in March we found ourselves stuck at home and while I wish it was for a different reason, it was refreshing to clear the calendar of to-dos. Unfortunately, we weren't able to hold our Millar Angus Youth Fest. I wasn't brave enough to take on the challenge of "socially distancing" 100+ kids! This means no fun Youth Fest stories to share, so I'll bring you up to speed on how our crew has been passing the time over the past several months.

Truth be told, Ryle has always wanted to be home schooled, so here was his chance. When it all shook out, he got along just fine, but didn't appreciate having to do school work before tackling his projects outside...who has time to be stuck in the house, right!

Now here comes the good part...Ryle sat us down and said he'd like to buy 5 or 6 spring bred ewes to lamb out (keep in mind, he was on the "fall lambing program" before this). He assured us he'd sell everything before school started. It'd just be a way to make some extra money. We said sure...he'd be home to take care of them, how could it go wrong. Well...MY first mistake was sending him and Jon to the sale alone! Ryle spotted the ewes he just "couldn't live without" and before I knew it I was helping unload 21 of them off the trailer, plus a couple lambs that were born before they left the sale. Yep, lambing season had begun! Oh...and it doesn't stop there! They made their way to town for a couple more bred ewe sales and he now runs around 50 ewes and this mom's instinct says there's no selling them in sight. This brings me to my next question...did you know you can put CIDR's in sheep. Yep...tackled that too during the pandemic!

All this sheep business, made Ryle realize he needed to upgrade his facilities a bit. Jon showed him the basics of welding, then he talked me into a trip to town to get tubing and stockade panels. From there he's made panels and feeders and then had the idea of designing a portable tub/alley...which I gotta say works amazing!

Sheep haven't been the only thing keeping Ryle busy. He turned 14 and got his drivers license! He also spent a lot of time in the roping arena and his hard work paid off. He and his partner Cason took home the Team Roping State Championship at both the Junior High State Finals and the State 4H Finals, receiving saddles for their wins. Couldn't be prouder!

And now for Kobi, where do I begin! She too got along with the home schooling, but sure missed the day-to-day interaction with her friends. She and I dreamt up our own science project and hatched some chicks, which was a fun process! She broke her bottle calf Lily to lead and was super excited to become Jon's right hand gal raking hay! Kobi is the crafty one in the bunch. She is always looking for projects to sew, craft or bake.

Kobi too loves spending time in the rodeo arena. She fell in love with her new barrel/pole horse Lola. They've become quite the duo winning some fun awards and buckles along the way. She entered her first queen contest and has really taken a liking to roping. She informed her Grandpa Bryce she'll be heading steers for him next summer, so mom will have to find a new partner. She even got me cracked back out in the barrel racing. She wanted to enter some barrel jackpots, so I thought I might as well throw in a young horse too. Crazy what our kids can make us do!

When it comes to Jon and I, we always find something to keep us busy. We both did a little team roping. I've been wanting to build some garden boxes, so with Ryle's help I got those whipped out. The kids discovered math is not my strong suit. Ask me about any other subject, but catch dad when he's in the house for help on math. We both spend a lot of time chasing the kids to their activities. My parents used to say they enjoyed hauling us kids around. I thought they were just saying that, but now I get it. It was sure nice to have some downtime at home with the family. Someday we're gonna miss all this busyness.



FOR SALE

Selling 150 Black Angus Bred Heifers • Faith Livestock on Nov 30th

Millar Angus Home-Raised Heifers

51 head - Due to calve March 5th for 5 days

AI bred to Millars Duke 816 (a B Bar Windy 7 3575 son)

26 head - Due to calve March 28th thru April 15th

Pasture bred to low birth weight sons of Connealy Stingray.

13 head - Due to calve April 20th thru May 10th.

Pasture bred to low birth weight sons of Connealy Stingray.

Marlin & Linda Brink Home-Raised Heifers

22 head - Due to calve March 7th for 20 days

Pasture bred to low birth weight sons of Connealy Stingray.

8 head - Due to calve March 28th for 20 days

Pasture bred to low birth weight sons of Connealy Stingray.

CS Angus Ranch Home-Raised Heifers

30 head - Due to calve April 5th for 20 days

Pasture bred to low birth weight Black Angus bulls.



"THANK YOU to everyone who helped make our 2020 sale a success!"



Sale Recap:

Sale Date: February 19, 2020 • **Location:** At the Ranch, Sturgis, SD • **Auctioneer:** Doug Dietterle

Average: 125 Angus bulls averaged \$5,678