

# Angus breeders recognized in 2013

Flying S Ranch, Saint Francis, has been recognized nationally by the American Angus Association for having one registered Angus bull and 21 registered Angus cows included in the Association's 2013 Pathfinder Report.

Crooked Creek Angus, Saint Francis, was also recognized nationally by the Angus Association for having three registered Angus cows included in the report.

Only 1,992 of the more than 25,000 American Angus Association members are represented in this year's report, according to Bill Bowman, chief operating officer and director of performance programs of the Association with headquarters in Saint Joseph, Mo.

The Pathfinder program identifies superior Angus cows based upon recorded performance traits economically important to efficient beef production. These traits include

early and regular calving and heavy weaning weights, Bowman says. Over 2 million eligible dams with more than 6.8 million weaning records were examined to determine Pathfinder status. All registered Angus cows that meet the strict Pathfinder standards are listed, along with their owners, in the Pathfinder Report that is published annually by the Association.

In addition, bulls that have sired a minimum of five or more Pathfinder Cows are recognized as Pathfinder Sires.

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The 2013 Pathfinder Report lists 8,680 individual cows and 234 Pathfinder sires. It is available online at [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org).



PRAIRIE LAND crew put in some new lines on the old Wheeler Road last week.

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# Lady Cougars bite Lady Indians

By Kent Kechter

The St. Francis Lady Indians recorded their highest point total of the season on Tuesday evening, Feb. 12, but lost to the Cheylin Lady Cougars in McDonald. The 59 points the Lady Indians put on the scoreboard was one-point better than the Lady Indians scored in their win over Wichita County earlier in the season. St. Francis drained seven treys, but could not keep pace with the Lady Cougars due to haphazard ball handling. The Lady Indians committed numerous turnovers in the contest. Both teams were in the bonus early in both halves, but neither team really capitalized on the bonus situation. The difference in the contest was ball possession.

Kyla Bandel opened the game with a quick trey. Bandel's second trey, at 5:32, moved St. Francis back into the lead 8-6. Clarice Neitzel scored on an offensive rebound to give the Lady Indians a four-point advantage (10-6). The Lady Indians were moving the ball well and getting good shots versus the 2-3 zone of Cheylin.

Four minutes into the contest, the Lady Indians led 12-8, but the Lady Cougars closed the gap to one point by the three-minute mark. Cheylin took the lead 13-12 with 1:58 left in the first quarter after several turnovers and ill-advised shots by the Lady Indians.

An excellent pass from Justice Wiley led to a basket by Neitzel and moved St. Francis within one point (14-15) late in the quarter. But, the Lady Indians would not get any closer. St. Francis trailed 14-19 after one period of play.

At 6:15 in the second quarter, Clarice Neitzel took the basketball coast-to-coast for a St. Francis score, but the basket only moved St. Francis back within 6 points (16-22). After baskets by Valerie Wurm, Laura Brunk (assist Kyla Bandel), and a steal and lay-in by Aubrey Mills, the Lady Indians found themselves within one point (22-23), but Cheylin answered with a three-ball. St. Francis fell behind by six before Kyla Bandel scored on a Justice Wiley assist at 1:48 (24-28). Justice scored the final St. Francis basket of the second quarter. The Lady Indians trailed the Lady Cougars 26-30 at halftime.

Clarice Neitzel scored on a nice post move at 6:27 to get St. Francis with two (30-32). Clarice followed with a trey and a deuce, but St. Francis still trailed by the same margin. A basket by Kyla Bandel, at 3:50, moved the score to 38-39. By 2:58, the score stood at 38-45 due to several Lady Indian turnovers that Cheylin capitalized

upon. The Lady Indians did not adjust well to the changing defenses of the Lady Cougars and repeatedly tossed the ball away. The third period ended with the Lady Cougars in front by ten (40-50) and the Lady Indians reeling from their errors.

The score exploded to 40-61 quickly. The Lady Indians finally scored, with 4:36 left in the contest, on a free throw by Laura Brunk. Two treys by Clarice Neitzel, and a driving lay-in by Kyla Bandel, cut the deficit to 14 points (51-65) with 2:34 left. The Lady Indians moved within eleven, after a trey by Justice Wiley and a Bandel free throw, but that was as close as the Lady Indians would get. St. Francis lost to the Lady Cougars 59-71.

Clarice Neitzel led all scorers in the contest with 23 points. Kyla Bandel added 16 and Justice Wiley 11 to the St. Francis point total. The Lady Indians were 6 of 13 from the free throw line.

Shayla Hubbard led Cheylin with 19 points. The Lady Cougars had very balanced scoring with five players netting 7 or more points: Stephanie Busse 15 (9 in the 4th quarter), Allie Frisbie 13, Cassie Rucker 10, and Elizabeth Keltz 7. Cheylin made good on 13

of 28 free throws.

In junior varsity action, St. Francis lost to Cheylin 14-34 in two quarters of action. The Lady Indians had difficulty executing against the defensive pressure of the Lady Cougars, and did not get many shot attempts due to turnovers. The Lady Indian's first shot at the goal came three minutes into the contest. But, the Lady Cougars were also having trouble scoring. The first points placed on the scoreboard were two Cheylin free throws at 4:55. With 3:15 left in the first period of action, the Lady Indians trailed 0-9. Journey Lee put St. Francis on the scoreboard with a free throw at 3:00. Sydney Sundstrom scored two baskets late in the period to make the first quarter score 5-18.

After two baskets by Emily Elfers, and a couple of St. Francis free throws, the Lady Indians trimmed the deficit to 11-19 at the 5:30 mark. However, the Lady Indians would only score one more basket, a shot from the left corner by Kylie Sherlock, and a free throw to close out the contest. The Lady Indians ball-handling woes resulted in a 14-34 loss to the Lady Cougars.

JV Coach David Morrow shared the following comments, "The

Cheylin game was disappointing for the girls and me. We didn't play very well in most aspects of the game and never really had much of a foothold against the Cougars. The two things that hurt us the most were turnovers and poor defense in the post area. When we had the chance, we attacked the basket better than we have in past games and earned quite a few trips to the free throw line. The goal for the next game is to be relaxed and take good care of the ball."

The Lady Indians will play Wallace County, in St. Francis, on Tuesday, Feb. 19..


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