## **Brangus Bull Demand Strong at Salacoa Valley**

96 Coming 2 Year Old Brangus Bulls Grossed \$399,600 to average \$4,163 3 Proven Brangus Herd Sires grossed \$12,500 to average \$4,167 34 Yearling Brangus Bulls grossed \$120,750 to average \$3,551

## 133 Brangus Bulls grossed \$532,850 to average \$4,006

A standing room only crowd from 9 states snapped up the Salacoa Valley Bull Sale offering in Georgia, at a rapid pace. Repeat and new buyers from across the Southeast and Texas enjoyed pleasant temperatures and a sunny day as well as the southern hospitality Salacoa Valley Farms is known for.

This is the first sale under new ownership, as The Seminole Tribe of Florida, Inc, took possession of the cowherd. Natural Resource Director Alex Johns welcomed the crowd and shared his vision for a dynamic and growing cow herd at Salacoa Valley, and expressed his excitement in being a part of the Brangus breed. He also introduced the Seminole Tribe's branded beef program and discussed the volumes of beef it encompasses while inviting commercial cattlemen to become a part of the vision.

The day's top selling bull was lot 100, Atlanta of Salacoa 488Z. This powerful Lambert son posts 9 EPD traits in the breed's top 35% or greater led by top 4% IMF. This deep sided, big boned herd sire prospect was purchased by The Oaks Farm, Newnan, GA, 5K Cowbelle Ranch, Pontotoc, MS, Truitt Brangus Farm, Auburn AL and Miller Brangus, Waynesboro, TN. They gave \$30,000 to own full possession and 2/3 interest.

Three bulls tallied as the second high sellers in the day's offering at \$7,000. Lake Majestik Farms, Flat Rock, AL, paid the bid price to own Lot 103, Vidalia of Salacoa 535Z4. This Brazile son boasts 8 curve bending EPD traits in the breed's top 25% or greater, paced by top 2% Milk, 5% YW and 20% BW. Hilltop Brangus Farm, Benton, MS purchased Lot 178, Salacoa Stonewall 541Z6 for the bid price. This Stonewall son boasted a 1337 lbs yearling weight and was part of a very consistent ET flush at Salacoa Valley. Lot 179, Salacoa Patton 99Z16 also fetched \$7,000 as Hayman's 7 11 Ranch, Kenansville, FL purchased this big performing Patton son. He posted a 1399 yearling weight and scanned over a 15" REA.

Steve Daniel, Henderson, TN purchased the fifth high selling bull as he paid \$6,250 to own Lot 170. This high performing Ultrablack bull was sired by Hannibal and boasted a negative BW EPD with 70 lbs of YW.

Purchasing bulls at \$6,000 were CI Brangus, Birmingham, AL on Lot 102, K Bar L, Okeechobee, FL on Lot 106 and Shiloh Brangus, Stony Point, NC on Lot 109.