

## Danish Aberdeen-Angus Association 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary September 2<sup>nd</sup> to September 4<sup>th</sup> 2010

### *Information on excursions and farm visits*

#### Farm visits

Bakkens Angus  
[www.bakkens-angus.dk](http://www.bakkens-angus.dk)  
Erik and Lis Magnussen

Bakkens Angus is situated on the island of Falster and is close to the town of Stubbekøbing. The farm has 45 cows. With the exception of 5 cows all are red angus. The livestock graze near the farm on meadow and marsh land. The animals are separated into two groups – each with their own bull, but insemination also takes place, especially on heifers. A part of the farmland is used growing wheat, barley and sugarbeets. Other areas are being used for grassing and silage production. However, our main interest is the livestock.

Mønline Angus  
Steffen Albrektsen

Mønline Angus is situated on the island of Møn and is close to the town of Stubbekøbing. The farm has around 100 cows and close to 300 livestock all in all. The farm land consists of 355 hectares with grain, sugarbeets and silage from grassland.

Høgsgård Angus  
Carsten Petersen

Høgsgård is located on the island of Zealand near the town of Mørkøv. The farm has 50 black cows. The flock has their own bull, however, approximately 20% of the cows are being inseminated. A part of the farmland is used growing barley, wheat and corn (silage) while 50 hectares are used as grassland.

Markdalgaard Angus  
Berit and Henrik Madsen

Markdalgaard is situated in the region of Himmerland close to the town of Skørping. The farm consists of 35 cows and close to 70 livestock all in all. The focus is on big animals, cows weighing around 800 kg with good maternal instincts and good limbs, meat, exterior and good temperament.

Ajshøj Angus  
[www.ajshoj-angus.dk](http://www.ajshoj-angus.dk)  
Rigmor and John Hansen

Ajshøj is situated between the towns of Skive and Viborg near the village of Kvosted in a rolling countryside with meadows and forest. The farm has 30 cows from three different bloodlines. The farmland consists of 61 hectares with grain and grassland.

Thy Angus  
[www.thy-angus.dk](http://www.thy-angus.dk)  
Peter Eliassen

Thy Angus is situated in the region of Vendsyssel and is close to the town of Thisted. The farm has 25 to 30 cows. During the summer the livestock graze in the Thy National Park on meadow and heather land and also on farmland owned by Thy Angus. In wintertime the livestock are on the farm. During this time feeding material is silage, straw, vitamins and minerals. In addition the bullocks get some grainmixture. During the summer the feeding is based purely on grass.

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#### Excursions



[www.moensklint.dk](http://www.moensklint.dk)

**The Cliff of Møn** - Standing on top of the Cliff of Møn – 128 m above the sea – you are at the same time on top of the Danish chalk foundation. Denmark is entirely built on a platform of chalk, and therefore the Cliff of Møn bears witness of the enormous forces that have created the country and the unique flora and fauna of the area. On Høje Møn – as the area around the Cliff of Møn is called – you will find plants and animals that may only be found in this part of the country.



[www.rebildfesten.dk](http://www.rebildfesten.dk)

**The Rebild Hills** - Every year the Rebild Hills are visited by more than 400,000 people. Thus they are one of the most visited tourist attractions in Denmark. In addition to enjoying the beautiful nature at the foot of the Rold Forest, visitors are able to enjoy a number of sights with a special connection to the area. It is a magnificent and beautiful undulating heatherland, but one day a year the hills are transformed into festive colors. It is the American Independence Day, 4<sup>th</sup> July when tourists, Danish-Americans, local, world-renowned speakers and sometimes even royalty, gathers in the hills and take part in this once a year Rebild celebration.



[www.agrsci.dk/hag/aalestrup/](http://www.agrsci.dk/hag/aalestrup/)

**The national livestock breeding test station at Aalestrup** is one of the most modern of its kind in the world. Tests are being made on bull livestock from the age of 225 days until 365 days (7½ until 12 month of age). The weight of ung bulls are being measured every four week, and their eating is automatically registered in the entire testing period. The back muscles are being scanned three times – at 10, 11 and 12 month of age. Three breeding measures are being calculated based on the results of the tests.



**Thy National Park** - "Denmark's last wilderness", as it is called by some, consists of a 24.370 hectare area covering a belt of up to 12 km wide along the West Coast from Agger Tange (bar) in the south to the lighthouse in Hanstholm in the North. The eastern boundary of the park is farm country. The area is shaped by centuries of sanddrifts and the nationalpark includes large national and international nature and landscape values in coast, dunes, heath, large lakes and dune plantations.

<http://nationalparker.skovognatur.dk/Thy/>