

Outback Roundup 2024

THE WINNERS

Congratulations to all the photographers who competed in our 2024 Outback Roundup! Your work was a treat to behold and the judges had a tough time choosing from the couple of hundred entries that were received from Massachusetts to California. We thank all of you.

To our winners: Well done! We are honored to share your work with our readers, who look forward to this annual gallery of outstanding imagery. More winners of Merit Awards will appear in our Fall and Winter issues, and others may appear in future *RANGE* publications, calendar and books.

RANGE and ranchers work all year long, so keeping your phone or camera handy in every season, in all kinds of weather, and in all kinds of settings just might provide you with that once-in-a-lifetime winning shot. In other words: Be prepared and keep your eyes peeled!

—Gordon Allen, owner of Gordon's
Photo in Reno and Carson City, Nev.

Best of Show: “Teamwork”

Betsy Hunewill Elliott helps her daughter Tule peer through the barn window to watch her grandparents round up cattle. Since she was “a bit too small to ride” she was thrilled to share the moment at the Hunewill Ranch in Bridgeport, California, now in its seventh generation.
© Laura Brower, Sparks, Nevada





1st Place: “Cowboy Cousins”

These first cousins have deep and multigenerational cowboy roots in Calaveras County, California, and are helping their parents and grandparents to gather, mark, doctor and brand their cattle between storms on their winter range in the Sierra Nevada foothills. Ages five to 12, from left: Lincoln Dell’Orto, Bretta Brooks, Ketchum Dell’Orto, Elsie Brooks, Coney Dell’Orto and brothers Knox and Waylon Dell’Orto. © Larry Angier, Jackson, California



**2nd Place:
“Riding in the Big Horns”**

Cowboy Clair Ludwig is teaching young saddle and packhorses to stick together while introducing them to narrow trails and challenging mountain terrain in northern Wyoming. © Laura Hedien, Grayslake, Illinois

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3rd Place: “Git Along”
Joel Smith cracks a whip to cut out a stray bull at a ranch in Colfax, County, New Mexico.
© Chesna Smith,
Raton, New Mexico

7th Place: “Only God’s Blessing”
Cattle enjoy the fresh green grass and beautiful day on the Ellis Ranch near Jackson, California. © Lindsey Dell’Orto, Mokelumne Hill, California





5th Place: “Fall Camp”

It is a cold and rainy October day in southwest Wyoming and the freshly tagged ewes graze near camp while horse and dog wait for a job. Tagging is shearing the face and tail of the sheep.
© Marie McClaren, Kemmerer, Wyoming



6th Place: “The Last Day”

Chris Douglas rides his horse, George, across a creek on a warm October afternoon near Moran, Wyoming. It’s his last day at the Diamond Cross for the season.
© Skye Clark, Smoot, Wyoming



4th Place: “He Made It!”

Waylon Dell’Orto jumps a stream at Buck Ranch during the fall cattle gather in Calaveras County, California.
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Entry forms for Outback Roundup 2025 will be online at rangemagazine.com in July and in our Fall 2024 issue.