

Outback Roundup 2025

THE WINNERS

Congratulations and a heartfelt “Thank You” to all who entered our Outback Roundup 2025 photo contest. As usual, it was tough to choose the winners from so many excellent entries from Virginia to California.

The fabulous Merit Award winners will appear in our Fall

and Winter issues, and entry forms for Outback Roundup 2026 will be in same issues. So start collecting your best and keep your eyes peeled and cameras aimed so that you can send us more great shots of working cowboys and sheepherders, open ranges, and all the critters that depend on them.

BEST OF SHOW

“Busted”

*Coney and Knox Dell’Orto
were supervising during a
day of branding calves
until mom caught them
hiding out in the hay
barn in Paloma, Calif.*

Photo © Lindsey Dell’Orto



FIRST PLACE

“Building a Loop”

Cowboy patriarch

Stan Dell’Orto is almost

ready to lasso a calf

at a branding in

Sunnybrook, Calif.

Photo © Larry Angier



SECOND PLACE

“Protectors of the Sheep”

On a hot summer day

retired horses swish away

flies but are never far from

mother and daughter

Rambouillet/Suffolk sheep

that find shade under the

trees near Ten Sleep, Wyo.

Photo © Brenda Hampton



THIRD PLACE

"Breaking Through"

J'Amon Turner and Todd Peter cross the Yampa River at Sombrero Ranches in Craig, Colo. Photo © Sarah Andrews Wagoner

FOURTH PLACE

"Pick a Rope"

This collection of used ropes was in the arena at the Tibbs Ranch in Fort Pierre, S.D. There is almost always one suitable for any occasion.

Photo © Darla Tibbs





FIFTH PLACE

"Muddy Buddies"

Ranch kids enjoy their own fun while their families brand calves nearby on a rainy day in Mineral County, Nev.

Photo © Robin Paine



SIXTH PLACE

"Another Day at the Office"

Cowboys bring in a few more at the White Lake Ranch in Claunh, N.M. Photo © Linda Sherrill