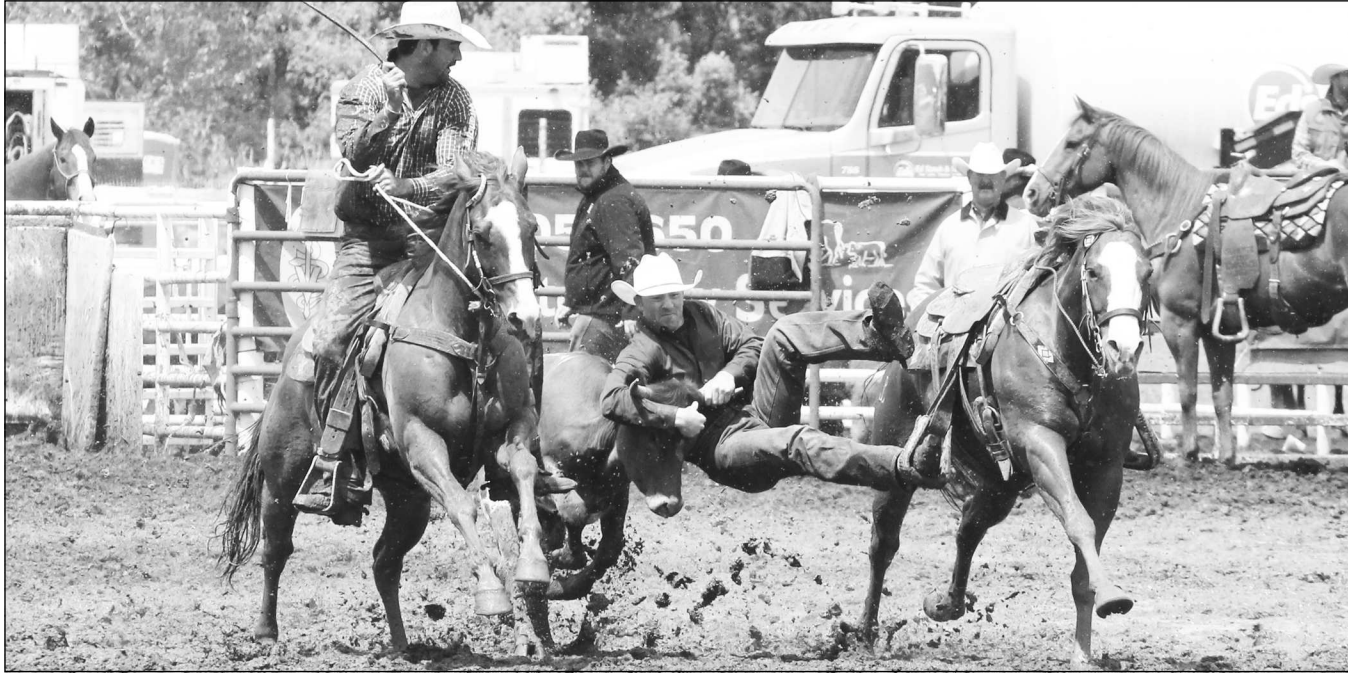


LOOK BACK THROUGH SPORTS PICTURES



Ross Mosher took second in steer wrestling with a time of 5.8 seconds at the Eastern Oregon Live-stock Show on June 10 in Union.

Ronald Bond/The Observer



Ronald Bond/The Observer

La Grande's Cade Reed celebrates after he and his brother, Nathan Reed, finished 1-2 in the 4A boys 300 hurdles at the OSAA State Track and Field Championships May 19 at Hayward Field in Eugene. The performance secured the Tigers' first-ever state championship in boys track and field.

2018: Year in sports photos

Photos by Ronald Bond, The Observer

A year of firsts — 2018 saw local prep programs claim their first state championships, while college teams claimed firsts in conference and national postseasons. It was also a year of close calls, as several teams missed state titles by slim margins. From triple overtime games in football at Eastern Oregon University to athletes competing in the final year of Eugene's Hayward Field before it's rebuilt, 2018 was a year of thrills and excitement — one worth reliving through the lens of The Observer photo staff.



Ronald Bond/The Observer

Eastern Oregon's T.J. Hancock makes a one-handed catch in the Mountaineers' season opener against College of Idaho Aug. 25. EOU won the rivalry game, 24-21.



Ronald Bond/The Observer

Riana Scott, a member of the La Grande girls swim team, competes at a home meet in January.

Thank you for supporting us throughout 2018. Here's to another good year. Baker City Herald | THE OBSERVER

