

**2018**  
**IPRA WORLD CHAMPION TEAM ROPING HEELER**

**SHAWN KREDER**

**AGE: 46**

**COLLINSVILLE, OK**

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When Shawn Kreder backed into the heel box at IFR49, it marked the 15<sup>th</sup> time he'd earned a spot in the top 15. The big difference this time was that he was the man in the number one position with a solid lead over the field. Another difference was he was roping with his son, Shayde, who made his first IFR appearance at IFR43.

"It took a lot of pressure off of me to have the lead I did coming into the IFR," said Shawn. "After we won second in the second round, I knew they couldn't catch me."

"I didn't start out 2018 with any intentions of winning a world championship. I had a good spring and at the end of June I had the lead, so we decided to just keep going. I had another really good month in September and was on a roll. Shayde and I won St. Tite. It was his first time to rope there so that was a pretty special win."

"It was a lot of fun hauling with my family all year. When you are roping with your son, you have to be Dad, roping partner and traveling partner, that's not always easy. But having Kara and Shayde's support all year made all the difference."

"I've been roping since I was 14 years old. My dad, Jon Kreder and uncle, Dan Dailey tried to get me to ride rough stock, but that wasn't for me. I went to the roping pen and never looked back."

"I'm not going to travel as hard in 2019. I want to go enough to make the IFR, but I'm going to stay closer to home. At my age, I'm content to slow down and help Kara with her barrel horses and focus on her success this year. I just want to enjoy being the world champion this year."

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