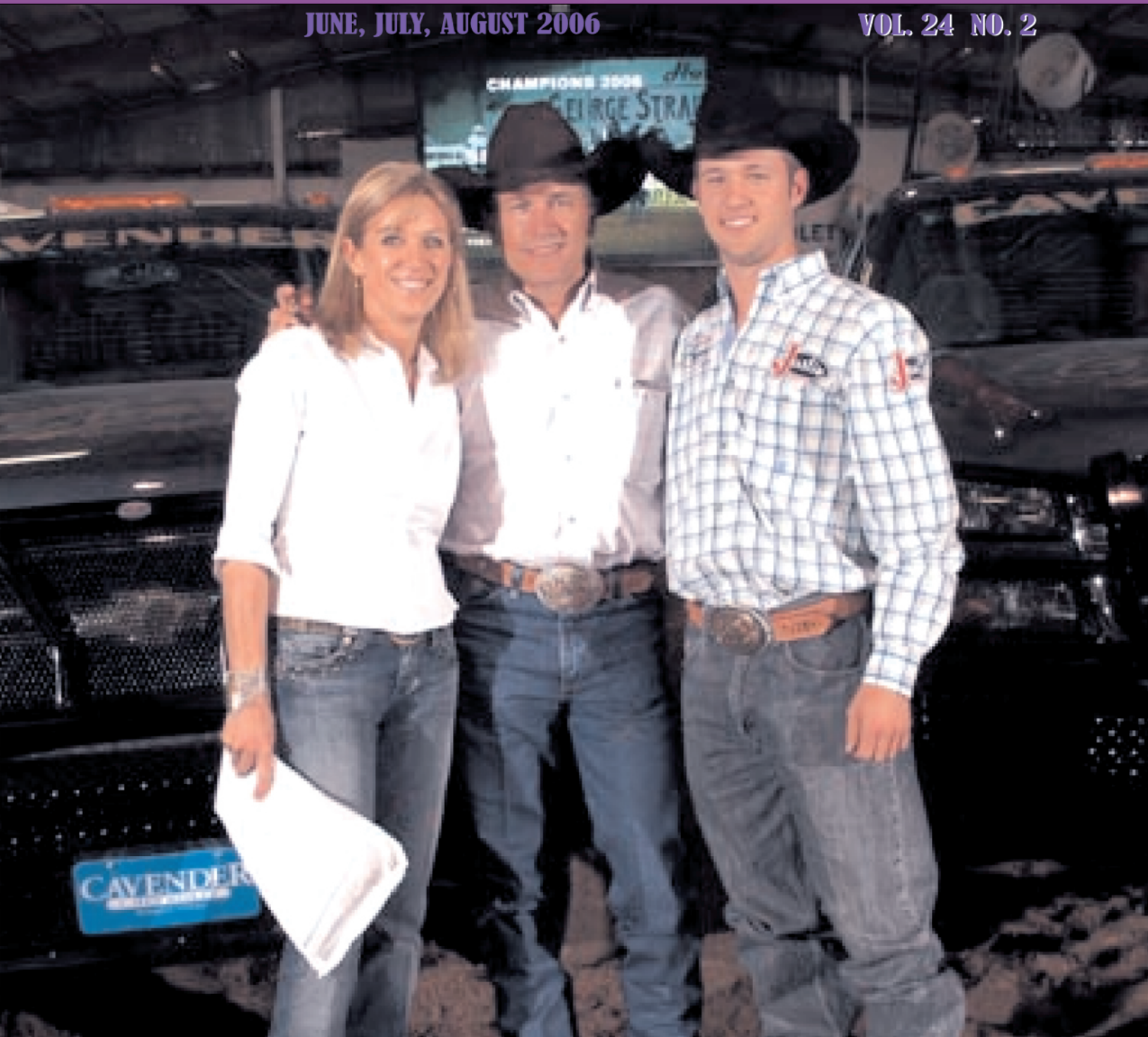


# STRAIT TALK

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**Norma, Bubba and George Strait  
at 24th Annual GSTRC**



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## Culpepper Uses Speed To Take “The Strait”

A phone call almost changed the history of the George Strait Team Roping Classic (GSTRC) held March 10th and 11th at the Rose Palace Arena in San Antonio.

On the Monday before the team roping, Brad Culpepper of Ashburn, Georgia, called Speed Williams of Llano, Texas, to tell him he wouldn't be coming to the roping.

“I told him my good horse was hurt and he was my only pre-entered partner so I just wasn't going to come,” Culpepper says. “I just wasn't feeling that confident in my back-up horse or myself, and I didn't think it was fair to Speed. I thought he should get another partner.”

But Speed wouldn't accept “no” for an answer.

“Oh - I told him he was coming,” Williams says, laughing. “I told him if I had to get him a horse, I would, but he was coming. I understand horse problems, last-minute partner changes and all that - but I wasn't letting him out of it. I told him I wanted him and I didn't want to have to be the one looking for a partner when I got there.

“Besides,” Williams adds, “We won around \$14,000 here last year (for fourth place). So I knew this was a good roping for us.”

The 15-hour drive from Ashburn to the Rose Palace proved to be worth it for Culpepper. And Speed's pep talk to his

roped three steers in 15.82 seconds to win the 24th Annual GSTRC, earning them each \$55,794 in cash, the keys to a new Chevy Silverado crew cab truck and Strait X-Treme three horse slant trailers by Bruton.

While this was the first time Culpepper had ever won the prestigious roping, Williams was a repeat champion. He won the GSTRC last year with Clay O'Brien Cooper and in 2002 with Tyler Magnus.

He dominated the roping this year, winning not only first, but the lucrative second hole with fellow eight-time world champion partner Rich Skelton. They roped three in



*Speed Williams (R) and Brad Culpepper (L) rope the winning steer.*

partner seemed to work.

The pair started the roping off aggressively. Stopping the clock at 4.5 seconds, beating the 569 other teams in the roping for the fast time in the first-go on Friday. They made the cut-off time of 12.6 seconds or better on two head to be one of the 50 teams that got to rope for the big prize money on Saturday.

The team's success culminated when they

16.48 seconds for second place, receiving \$22,318 each and handmade Twister saddles for their efforts.

With a short round format that runs the teams from slowest time to fastest, the pressure was on as the final teams made a run for record cash payouts totalling \$328,200. David Key and Patrick Smith were fourth high call, knowing Williams was breathing down their neck in the first



# Culpepper Uses Speed To Take “The Strait” (continued)

high call position with Culpepper and second with Skelton. They knew they had to be fast to have a chance at a big check.

“I told David to go out there and blister one,” Williams said. “I wanted him to be fast so I would have to be aggressive. I rope best when I have some pressure like that.”

Key and Smith did their job. They were 16.8 on three head. The third high call team of Kevin Stewart and Jade Corkill had a no time, which meant Williams and Skelton had to be a 5.6 or faster to win. Williams and Skelton were 5.29 on their final steer, putting them in the winning position with only one team left to rope.

Excitement had mounted and all eyes were on Williams as he retrieved his rope and casually walked his horse back up the arena. At a time when most ropers would be a sweating, nervous wreck, Williams was laughing and smiling. But, he should be, the only person that could beat him was, well... himself. He recoiled his rope, swung a few times and then backed into the box with Culpepper.

The high call team needed to be 5.8 to win the roping. Williams said he ropes best under pressure, and apparently he ropes even better when he puts the pressure on himself. He swung once and turned the steer for Culpepper who was in perfect position to grab both hind feet and go to the horn in an impressive 5.15 seconds.

With the crowd on its feet cheering, Culpepper and Williams threw their hats into the air announcing victory. With all the excitement, a normally reserved Culpepper leaped from his horse onto Williams' horse for a congratulatory embrace.

“I'm the most excited guy to ever win this roping,” exclaimed Culpepper, who is a five-time Wrangler National Finals Rodeo



*Strait family joins Williams & Culpepper to celebrate winning the 24th Annual GSTRC*

qualifier and a two-time Wrangler NFR average winner (1998 and 1999). He and Williams qualified together in 1994.

When asked if his nerves were a factor in his roping, Culpepper replied, “I’ve been nervous for two days. I knew Speedy was going to do his part, so if I could just do my part we were going to win some money. So that was the exciting part of it, but that’s also what made me nervous.

“I was really pleased with how my horse worked,” Culpepper said of his 7-year-old second-string horse that he has trained himself. “This was his first big roping and I didn’t know how he was going to do.”

Culpepper says when it came down to the final steer, he just blocked everything out and concentrated on the steer.

“In the short round, you just do what you practice,” he says. “When the steer takes off you just react to the situation. It hap-

pens too fast to think about it. You just do it.”

Williams, who as already established as the high money-earning header, catapulted himself into GSTRC earnings history with a record haul of \$156,714. He placed first and second in the average on Saturday, and a fast time on Friday’s roping for a total 2006 earnings of \$83,034. Incidentally, Jake Barnes is second on that all-time GSTRC money earning list with \$62,103 while Cooper is tops on the heeling end with \$76,858.

“This is a huge win,” Williams said. “It’s really exciting. I don’t care how many world championships or other major ropings I’ve won, this is an exciting win. There’s nothing like winning the George Strait roping.

“It’s even better to win first and second place,” he added with smile. 🌟

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# GAC Airs 24th Annual George Strait Team Roping Classic Special

*Strait reveals his feelings on competition and winning in exclusive interview*

NASHVILLE, TN - Television network Great American Country (GAC) began rounding up the excitement of team roping when it started delving deep into the non-musical passion of platinum recording artist George Strait and his family during the George Strait Team Roping Classic special. The Special began airing on Thursday, May 4th and will be repeated a number of times over the next few months.

"GAC is still very committed to being the number one source for country music; however, we thought our viewers would enjoy the chance to spend quality time with George Strait and his family," said Sarah Trahern, senior vice president of programming. "The thrill of the competition really comes to life and GAC is the only place on television that has the

winning run from the competition."

The special featured footage of Strait and his son, Bubba Strait, competing in the 24th Annual George Strait Team Roping Classic (GSTRC), which was held in San Antonio, Texas, on March 10th and 11th; however, before the competition started, the duo took time with the GAC cameras to explain their passion of team roping, including a comparison from Strait on the pressures of roping to performing music and what he believed was necessary for him to win his own competition.

"For me to win a lot of things would have to happen. It would have to be a lot of bad things happening to good people - and we don't wish that," Strait joked. "I have to be realistic about it. These guys (in the competition) do it for a living and

I do it as much as I can. I love it, I would love to win it and I will try."

Fans unfamiliar with the sport can learn more courtesy of the program's informational features which explain the rules. Featured competitors include George and Buddy Strait, returning defending GSTRC champion Allen Bach and Speed Williams.

George Strait Team Roping Classic aired on three separate dates in May.

GAC is available nationally on DIRECTV and Dish Network. Check local cable and satellite unique way, allowing them to pick their favorite videos each week at GACtv.com for the on-air series, GAC Top 20 Country Countdown. ♣

## Summer Leg of 2006 George Strait Tour Begins May 26th

A sold out Pizza Hut Park in the Dallas area town of Frisco, Texas will be the first date on George Strait's 2006 summer tour that will see him perform 11 shows in 9 different cities. Two of the cities will be in Texas and the remaining nine dates will be in seven different Canadian cities.

Following Strait's show on May 26th at the new Dallas Metro's soccer stadium,

he and his musical entourage will move on to San Antonio, where they will perform before another sold out crowd at the A.T. & T. Center.

On June 3rd and 4th, Strait will perform at the Rexhall Centre in Edmonton, Ontario in Canada and at the Saddledome in Calgary, Alberta on June 5th & 6th.

The tour will move to the Credit Union Centre in Saskatoon, Alberta on June

8th and the MTS Centre in Winnipeg on June 9th.

The tour travel to the eastern part of Canada three days later and performs at Copps Coliseum in Hamilton, Ontario on June 12th and the Scotiabank Place in Ottawa, Ontario on the 13th. The final date on the 2006 tour will be at the Molson Amphitheatre in Toronto on June 14th. ♣

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George Strait congratulates Nick Sartain and Richard Durham for the fastest time on Friday's two steers



George Strait presents runner-up saddles to Speed Williams (L) and Rich Skelton (R)



George Strait with former Champion, Charles Pogue



Strait, along with Williams and Culpepper joins Wrangler's Karl Stressman (L) and Robert Lever (R)



Williams and Culpepper get congratulations from Strait and Stuart Cavender (R) of Cavender Chevrolet in Boerne, TX



Brett Beach (L) and Bubba Strait (R)



George Strait ropes in the first go of this year's competition



Williams and Culpepper accept congratulations from Strait and Kerry Bruton (R)





Bubba Strait



George Strait addresses crowd at the opening of the 2006 George Strait Team Roping Classic



George Strait with Darrel Barron (L) and Rusty Bradberry (R) present winners with Roping Bags from U.S. Smokless Tobacco



Action at the George Strait Team Roping Classic



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Find the venue and city. Circle and submit your entry to the George Strait Fan Club office. All entries must be submitted by August 18, 2006. One Entry Only. Thank you and good luck!

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# Anita's Notes

Here we are again. The summer months are approaching quickly. I know I sound like a repeat button, but time sure passes--fast! We are coming up on the summer portion of the 2006 with nine dates in Canada. It will take George and the crew into many beautiful parts of Canada. I can't wait to hear the stories. If you attend any of the shows, and take a few good photos, please share them with us and the fan club. Reviews are welcome also. If submitting newspaper reviews, please include the date, place and name of the newspaper. This is an easy way to earn yourself some Strait Cash.

Going back to March, sure missed you all in San Antonio, Tx for the 24th Annual GSTRC. We heard it was lots of fun and are looking forward to the 25th Annual on March 23rd and 24th of 2007. That gives you a lot of time to work on those scrap-books so you can share them with all of us. Please check out the great story that we reprinted from Spin to Win Magazine and the super photos taken of the event by Terry Calonge and David Jennings. The action shots are wonderful.

Those of you who attended the team roping were also the first to witness George's new music video for "Seashores of Old Mexico". Since then, the country music networks, Great American Country and CMT have been playing it a lot. We have received many wonderful responses by phone and emails. Thanks for your support.

During the month of May, GAC (Great American Country) has been airing the final day's events from the 24th Annual George Strait Team Roping Classic. They did an outstanding job and have given many fans and ropers alike, a good look at what the event is really like. Our Hats are off to producer and host Dan Miller on doing a great job of putting it together. Former World Bull Riding Champ and avid team roper Donny Gay and former multiple World Champion Calf Roper and current team roper Joe Beavers also did an outstanding job of adding color commentary to the broadcast. The show included an outstanding interview with George and

Bubba Strait about their passion for the sport. We hope to make this an annual broadcast, so if you liked it, please make sure you let GAC know that you watched it and liked it. GAC will also be re-airing the show several times in late May and June.

CMT also did an exclusive interview with George that was aired on April 8th. If you missed the special, CMT will be re-airing it in the near future. The special is called "CMT's Greatest Moments: George Strait" and runs thru his career from early 1982 to the early part of 2006. This is a true treat for Strait fans.

We have had many letters about the release of an album by George Strait, Jimmy Buffett and Alan Jackson. The concert they did at Texas Stadium two years ago was recorded and a CD is expected to be released from the concert sometime in the last half of this year, but no official date has been given. We do not have any further information on it at this time but will certainly post it on the website at [www.georgestrait.com](http://www.georgestrait.com) as soon as it is available.

This is just a reminder; please check to see if your membership is expiring. If so, please submit it early. Remember that we have two different types of memberships, the email only version for \$15 and the Newsletter by mail version which is \$20. We suggest you make sure your membership is up to date because it must be active for at least seven days in order to purchase fan club seating when it is available. Even though the 2007 tour will not start until January of 2007, a number of concerts will go on sale in late summer or early fall of 2006.

The new 2006 Christmas Sweatshirt will be available on September 1st. Don't forget that the early shoppers get it done. The Holiday is still several month off but, if you have earned any Strait Cash, you can start your shopping early. If you would like to earn Strait Cash, which is only usable through the fan club, it's easy. Submit a review, photo, game or story and if we use it, you will receive \$5.00 in Strait Cash.

Are you moving? Please Email us, write us or call us with your new address. Also, while we might remember to send change of address cards when we move, we never think about it when we change email addresses. If yours has changed, or is changing, please let us know that as well.

## **Congratulations to our puzzle winners of the March, April, May 2006 issue:**

**Cecilia Miller**  
Andover, MN  
(Jacket Winner)

**Sandra Wilson**  
Houston, TX  
(Sweatshirt Winner)

**Maria G. Rodriguez**  
Miami, FL  
(T-Shirt Winner)

Before we close, we want to say thanks for all the beautiful birthday cards that you have sent for George and Bubba. They are deeply appreciated.

On a personal note, we want to congratulate our daughter Darci on her High School Graduation this month. She has been our inspiration since the beginning and has been a part of our team here since she was just a baby. She has promised us that, even though she will be off to college, she will always come back for the Team Roping. She has been an outstanding student, a great citizen of her community and we are very, very proud of her.

As we close, please continue to keep our hero's in your hearts and minds. Your support for our troops is so important. May the prayers continue for our men and women in uniform, at home and around the world, as they continue to keep all of us safe! God Bless America!