

Pat Hubbert Receives Vaquero Award



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World champion Pat Hubbert accepts the NRCHA Vaquero Award.

Jackie Robertson's stallion Smokes Dude to an APHA world championship.

"I chose Pat Hubbert because he fits the model of a Vaquero Award recipient as well as anybody possibly could," said NRCHA President Benny Guitron.

Guitron also chose the recipients of the President's Award, Roger Brown and Rick and Carla Drayer. Roger assists Rick, who is the association's show chairman, and Carla works on the Sponsorship Committee.

"People that serve and work hard a lot of times go by unnoticed," Guitron points out. "The teamwork and hours that Roger, Rick and Carla put in at all these events, days before everybody gets there and days after everybody leaves, and the service they all give to exhibitors, owners and sponsors, deserves recognition." ♪

Drayers & Brown Honored with NRCHA President's Award

Many deserving winners were crowned at the 2004 NRCHA Snaffle Bit Futurity, held September 21–October 5. Among the honorees were Vaquero Award recipient Pat Hubbert, as well as Roger Brown and Rick and Carla Drayer, who shared the President's Award.

The Vaquero Award goes to the NRCHA member who best embodies and promotes the ideals of the reined cowhorse tradition. Hubbert owned and trained Smokinic, whom Greg Ward showed to the 1986 Snaffle Bit Futurity open championship. Pat also campaigned supreme working cowhorse and NRCHA hackamore year-end champion Smokes Belle, who earned over \$57,000 in NRCHA monies, and her full sister Nuthin But Smoke, who earned more than \$30,000.

And he showed



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Roger Brown's service to the NRCHA, along with Rick and Carla Drayer's, earned the association's President's Award.