

RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS

DAVID E. BROWN

David E. Brown was the Small Game Management Supervisor for the Arizona Game and Fish Department from 1968 to 1979. A prolific writer of scores of magazine and peer-reviewed scientific articles, Dave is also author of 3 landmark books: *Arizona Game Birds*, *Arizona Wetlands and Waterfowl*, and *The Last Grizzly and other Southwestern Bear Stories*.

Dave's efforts and persuasion were instrumental during the masked bobwhite conservation efforts from the 1960s through the 1980s. He also Chaired the Grazing and Range Management Section of the Quail III Strategic Planning Workshop in 1992. Even in retirement, Dave has stayed active by continuing to write papers (including 2 for this Proceedings). In 2009, he received the Arizona Game and Fish Department Educator of the Year award from Arizona State University.

FRED S. GUTHERY

At the time of this writing, Fred S. Guthery holds the Bollenbach Chair for Wildlife Research at Oklahoma State University. Since moving from Texas to Oklahoma in 1997, Fred has unleashed a series of publications that will remain prominent mileposts along the road of scientific wildlife literature for years to come. For example, his books such as *On Bobwhites* (2000), *The Technology of Bobwhite Management* (2002), *A Primer of Natural Resource Management* (2008), and *Beef Brush and Bobwhites, Second edition* (2012) as well as his paper *Aspects of the Thermal Ecology of Bobwhites in North Texas* (2005) published as a *Wildlife Monograph* have received national acclaim as have his legions of peer-reviewed scientific articles on quail ecology and management as well as the philosophy of science.

Taken as a whole, Fred's body of work forms the backbone of what has become the fundamental scientific basis for quail management in the semiarid subtropical region of the Southern Midwestern U.S. The breadth, depth, and sheer output of scientific publications that Fred has generated during the course of his career is the gold standard by which all other quail researchers are currently judged.

JOHN L. ROSEBERRY

It can be easily argued that John L. Roseberry single-handedly brought bobwhite science from the qualitative natural history era into the arena of contemporary population ecology. His seminal book *Population Ecology of the Bobwhite*, published in 1984, accomplished this task. This book remains a key reference for all students of quail nearly 30 years after it first appeared. John has also authored and co-authored numerous scientific publications and monographs that have become widely cited by today's quail researchers. His paper *Bobwhite Population Responses to Exploitation: Real and Simulated*, which appeared in the *Journal of Wildlife Management* in 1979, was the first to use simulation analyses to examine how bobwhite populations might respond to hunting.

John Co-chaired the Population Dynamics and Effects of Hunting Section of the Quail III Strategic Planning Workshop in 1992, and contributed the Concluding Remarks from the Researchers Perspective at Quail IV in 1997. John has remained active in the quail conservation area and remains a constant advocate for quail in Illinois and the Midwest.

—Leonard A. Brennan and the Quail VII Program Committee