

## **Editorial**

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## 2001 - a year of change

WILDLIFE BIOLOGY starts its seventh year in 2001. We believe it has come far, and is now the leading scientific journal in the field of wildlife biology in Europe. WILDLIFE BIOLOGY has been listed in Current Contents, and we expect to receive a citation index rating soon. Interest in publishing in WILDLIFE BIOLOGY is increasing continually. WILDLIFE BIOLOGY certainly seems to have a good future, and this future has been secured by an important decision made recently by the Nordic Council for Wildlife Research (NKV). They have decided that their primary goal will be guaranteeing the financial security of WILDLIFE BIOLOGY.

In addition, there has been a change in Editor-in-Chief and some Associate Editors in 2001. Harto Linden, Editor-in-Chief since the start of WILDLIFE BIOLOGY, has stepped down, and Jon Swenson has taken his place. Harto has done a tremendous job getting WILDLIFE BIOLOGY started and established, and Jon is eager to work to maintain the momentum. To ensure a smooth transition, Harto will serve as Deputy Editor-in-Chief. Fortunately, there will be no changes in our well-functioning technical office (Jan Bertelsen and Helle Klareskov).

A few Associate Editors have chosen this crossroads to step down. We thank Tommy Asferg, Ralph Gutiérrez and Tomas Willebrand for the work they have done for WILDLIFE BIOLOGY. We would also like to welcome several new Associate Editors: John Ball, Miguel Delibes, John Linnell, Kathy Martin, Steve Redpath and Harry Reynolds.

We are not planning revolutionary changes due to the change in editorship. However, we have initiated a discussion with the Associate Editors about streamlining our procedures. We have also been encouraging managers to write about timely wildlife management problems for WILDLIFE BIOLOGY, but with little success. We will pursue this goal more aggressively. Also, we plan to publish high-quality papers from relevant symposia as supplements, to further enhance WILDLIFE BIOLOGY's position as the natural source of information for wildlife biologists, particularly in Europe.

Thank you again, Harto, for the more than seven years you have spent leading the establishment and development of WILDLIFE BIOLOGY. We will work hard to continue and improve this excellent journal.

Jon E. Swenson

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