



The North American Banding Council

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Promoting Sound and Ethical Banding Principles and Techniques

The North American Banding Council (NABC) sets standards of knowledge, experience, and skills for bird banders and bird bander trainers.

NABC promotes competence in all aspects of banding, including bird capture, handling, identification, ageing, sexing, banding, biometrics, research design, and data collection.

At the 2011 Annual Meeting, the NABC Recognition Committee developed three recognition awards to acknowledge outstanding service and contributions to NABC and its mission.

The Glen Woolfenden Award is awarded to an outgoing council member in recognition of outstanding service and contribution to the Council. It will be awarded as appropriate. The 2011 Woolfenden Award recipient is Kenneth M. Burton for the vital contributions he has made in the founding and fledging of the Council.

The Paul Bartsch Award is awarded to a current council member in recognition of outstanding service and contribution to the Council for 10 years or more. It will be awarded as appropriate and was not awarded in 2011.

The James Henry Fleming Award is awarded to a NABC certified trainer in recognition of outstanding service and contribution to NABC's mission. It will be awarded annually. The 2011 Fleming Award recipient is Elizabeth (Betsy) Brooks recognized for her outstanding service and contribution as a NABC Trainer to NABC's mission, development of bander evaluation materials, and training excellent banders.

Congratulations to all award recipients! Your contributions are appreciated.

The Recognition Committee will solicit, accept, and consider nominations for each of the awards and provide recommendations to the Council in motions at the annual meeting. Please contact Robert Frey [bif@klamathbird.org] if you would like more information.

A hummingbird evaluation session was held at Powderhorn, Colorado, 15-16 Jul 2011 for three candidates. All candidates were evaluated and approved as hummingbird trainers. Congratulations!

NABC will be participating in the Western Hemisphere Bird Banding Network (WHBBN) workshop in Cusco, Peru, in November to promote ethics and scientific standards in bird capture and marking. For more information, please visit the WHBBN website <http://www.RAAHO.info>.

If you are a certified bander or trainer, please remember to update your contact information by contacting Anthony Hill at Anhinga13@hotmail.com.

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