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Editors' Remarks

This is a special issue of IGUANA. One reason is that it is half again as long as a regular issue. We owe this to a generous donation by Henry and Gloria Jarecki, who subsidized the extra pages in order to accommodate the feature on Stout Iguanas (p. 39). They already have made tremendous contributions to the species' chances for survival by providing it with a second home on Guana.

This issue also includes for the first time several new regular features created in response to discussions by the Board of Directors during the IIS Conference on Utila (p. 27). Each issue from now on will include at least one article focusing on some aspect of iguana husbandry. The first of these, on Green Iguana communication (p. 50), was excerpted from the excellent book by Gunther Köhler, which, unfortunately for most U.S. iguana enthusiasts, is currently available only in German. In addition, each issue will profile an individual who has made significant contributions to our understanding of iguanas. The inaugural profile (p. 53) features Fred Burton, the man behind the Blue Iguana Recovery Programme. Also appearing for the first time is an historical perspective. These features will appear from time to time in order to lend some insights into the changing perceptions of iguanas over the years. This issue's perspective (p. 56) addresses Black Iguanas (*Ctenosaura*), which is particularly appropriate in light of the ctenosaurs of Utila that so delighted the Conference participants.

We also provide a Species Profile (p. 36) that presents a suite of species instead of only one. We do not necessarily intend for this to become the normal mode for these features, but decided that it was appropriate, at least this one time, because of the unusual reptilian diversity on Utila and because it emphasizes how iguana conservation can benefit an entire biotic community.

Bob Powell, AJ Gutman, and John Binns

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