

Special Late-Month Supplement to November 2012 Newsletter

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HALLELUJAH! IT'S FINISHED

REMEMBERING THE GREATS: PROFILES OF TURKEY HUNTING'S OLD MASTERS

Priced at \$39.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling, and of course I'll be honored to sign and inscribe it as per your request. <u>Contact me today</u> or <u>order online</u> <u>now</u>!

SCHEDULED TO APPEAR AT BEGINNING OF DECEMBER—JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS

My latest book, one that involved years of research and a great deal of the sort of delving into the sporting past which has always appealed to me, has gone to press. The printers have promised delivery by December 1. While past experience in general tells me delivery dates for books can be somewhat problematic, this is my third book with Walsworth Publishing and to date they have been as good as their word in every way. That in itself, in these days of declining work ethics, far too much work being done abroad, and general sloppiness, is high praise.

The book, which presents profiles of 27 of the icons of turkey hunting, all of them deceased (see list below), features top-quality materials in every way—70-pound paper stock, hardbound with attractive linen cover, Smythe-sewn stitching, scores of color and black-and-white photos, and a lovely dust jacket. Each profile looks at the man being



Profiles of Turkey Hunting's Old Masters covered in detail and even includes "Notes of Sources" for those wishing to learn more about a given individual.

Preliminary reviews from some of the top names in the world of turkey hunting have been gratifyingly laudatory. Maybe sharing some of their reactions to the work will give you some idea of what to expect from the book.

Tom Kelly, the sport's incomparable poet laureate, has written of the book in these glowing terms: "An historian does not have the latitude common to the writer of fiction. He is restricted to reporting something that has already happened, and in many cases this single requirement takes a lot of the zest and charm out of historical writing. In this book Jim Casada somehow manages to touch both bases. He has stuck to the facts and has made history absorbingly interesting to read at the same time. It is a major work. It takes up the sport of turkey hunting from its very beginnings and discusses the sport's practitioners with wit and charm and feeling. Anyone who does not have this one in his library has a major hole in his education." Steve Hickoff, one of today's leading writers on the sport and the author of a number of books in the field says: "Jim Casada's excellent and essential book chronicles the contributions of those who made our tradition thrive. Read it and . . . pass along turkey hunting history to the next generation." Jim Spencer, a longtime columnist for Turkey & Turkey Hunting magazine and the author or award-winning books such as Bad Birds and Turkey Hunting Digest, offers similarly glowing praise: "Turkey hunting has many icons, people who have contributed heavily to the tradition upon which this grand subculture of ours is built. In this book, Jim Casada has chronicled the stories of 27 of them. What hunter hasn't, at some time, wanted to know more about these and other heavy hitters of yesterday? This book makes that task easily possible. Open it to any chapter. If you're not entertained, if you don't pick up something you didn't know, I'll eat the guts of your next turkey. But Jim Casada has taken this project a step further. In the thorough fashion I've come to expect from him over the third of a century we've been friends, competitors, hunting buddies, and occasional hot-tempered antagonists, Casada has provided those of us who are interested in learning much more about the greats a way to do so. As Casada readily admits in his dedication, this book doesn't cover all of turkey hunting's icons. But it's a damn fine start, and I'm predicting that some day in the future, when Casada and yours truly and many others of us have gone on to the place where turkeys always gobble, some other writer will put together another book of the greats. And Jim Casada will be in it."

I'm understandably humbled and gratified by such praise from my peers, and all I can add is that the book comes from the heart and represents something that means a great deal to me. In addition, I'm honored that Brian Lovett, the Editor of *Turkey & Turkey Hunting* magazine and a man with whom I've been privileged to labor in the vineyards of turkey-hunting literature for many years, wrote the Foreword for the book. He sets the stage in a most appropriate fashion, and for that I'm truly appreciative.

If you want to know exactly what the book offers, below is a full list of the individuals profiled. Also, you can get a fuller SAMPLE OF THE CONTENTS by <u>clicking here</u> to read a selection (Chapter 2, on Simon Everitt).

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