**Peter Hodge – winner of the 2017 Gilbert White Adult Award for recording terrestrial and freshwater wildlife**

Peter Hodge has been a County Recorder since the 1970s at least and has added value to countless other people’s records, through his thorough scrutiny and verification of the county dataset. Peter was one of the authors of “New British Beetles” (published in 1995) and also helped run the Longhorn Beetle (Cerambycidae) Recording Scheme for many years, until 2015-16. He is now in the process of digitising records from his personal reference collection; a painstaking task which Peter is undertaking himself. So far he has digitised a further 6,500 records from Sussex alone. Peter estimates his collection will yield a further 20,000 records in total, and he is aiming to make these available through the NBN Atlas in 2018; alongside the records from his field notebooks.