Bibliography of Donald Evan McAllister

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Don McAllister wrote a wide variety of articles and books for scientific and popular outlets. He also served as the founder and editor of two journals, *Sea Wind* and *Canadian Biodiversity* (later named *Global Biodiversity* in 1993 and *Biodiversity (Journal of Life on Earth)* in 2000). This work attempts to be a bibliography but does not include numerous unpublished manuscript reports that Don submitted to the Canadian Museum of Nature, Ottawa and to other agencies.

Don published over 625 scientific papers, books, popular articles and book reviews in his career of 45 years from 1957 to 2002. He averaged about 14 publications a year with book reviews numbering about 200 of the items listed here. His work ranged from such topics as systematic revisions of taxa to how to run a “green” school. The first 30 years of Don’s publishing career was principally devoted to fishes, their systematics, ecology and conservation. The last 15 years were devoted mostly to biodiversity and conservation of natural resources through the founding of journals and his editorships of them and through lobbying efforts.

His ichthyological works were published primarily in English with some in French, mostly as translations of works originally in English. He shared authorship with over 110 separate collaborators but was first author on 90% of these papers.

The journals for which Don was the editor are listed for each issue. Minor notes, news items both short and long, press releases, annual reports, extracts of articles, quotations, notices of meetings and new books, indices, some short book reviews mostly listing contents of the book, editorial comments, comments on articles and some one page descriptions of species, were probably all authored by Don within these periodicals. These are not listed separately for space reasons but covered by the “Editor and partial author” statement (it is not always clear that Don authored these unattributed notes, although generally he did). Significant articles and longer book reviews within these edited periodicals clearly authored by Don are listed separately – however the choice of these is necessarily selective and eclectic. The periodicals have numerous unnumbered figures as decoration and as watermarks as well as some that are part of articles, and some are repeated several times as decorative items. These are covered by the statement “numerous text figures” in the general listing by volume and issue.

A few articles are also available on the internet and were only seen in that format, or appear only there. Their URLs were all found in July 2001 and October 2003.

Dates in parentheses after volume number indicate the year of publication as marked on the paper but other evidence suggests the year after the author(s) is the correct one. Some articles, books and journals appeared in both English and French; these are not listed separately.

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