

Black Ducks and Their Chesapeake Bay Habitats: Proceedings of a Symposium



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his active role with waterfowl and Bay activities but also enjoys retirement life in his Queenstown home with Shirley, his wife of 40 years.

In spite of all his professional accomplishments, anyone who has spent any time with Mr. Stotts is readily impressed with his warm and sincere personality that makes working with him a pleasure. Those who have had the privilege to follow him across one of the Bay's salt marshes have cherished memories of working beside one of the best biologists the wildlife profession has ever produced. For his accomplishments with waterfowl, especially black ducks, and his unbridled enthusiasm and positive attitude about our irreplaceable natural resources, we dedicate this symposium, "Black Ducks and Their Chesapeake Bay Habitats" to Vernon D. Stotts.



Mr. Vernon Stotts on the Chesapeake Bay.



Cover photos: black duck habitat at Savanna Lake, Dorchester County, Maryland (R.E. Stewart, Sr., U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service); Jerry Longcore checking a black duck nest at U.S. Geological Survey, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center; and two male black ducks (Matthew Perry, U.S. Geological Survey, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center).

