

## ANNUAL FALL FUR AUCTION

December 14, 2013

The Annual Fall Fur Auction was held at the Whitcomb High School in Bethel VT on Saturday, Dec 14, 2013. Thirty (30) lots of fur were offered to the 4 buyers present. The following is a breakdown of prices received.

<b>SPECIES</b>	<b>OFFERED</b>	<b># SOLD</b>	<b>AVG</b>	<b>HIGH</b>	<b>LOW</b>	<b>TOTAL \$</b>	<b>N/S</b>
Mink	51	41	17.90	25.00	1.00	734.00	10
Muskrat	504	504	9.96	12.80	7.40	5021.00	
Coyote	52	44	30.55	40.00	25.00	1344.00	8
Red Fox	30	27	45.94	50.00	5.00	1240.50	3
Grey Fox	37	35	33.57	35.00	31.00	1175.00	2
Raccoon	70	57	9.15	14.00	1.00	519.00	13
Fisher	46	22	62.27	80.00	20.00	1370.00	24
Beaver	56	51	14.04	28.00	10.00	716.00	5
Otter	4	1	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	3
Skunk	4	4	2.75	2.75	2.75	11.00	
Opposum	16	16	2.75	3.00	1.00	44.00	
Weasel	1	1	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	
Red Squirrel	5	5	1.50	1.50	1.50	7.50	
Bobcat	4	4	98.75	106.67	75.00	395.00	
Castor	7lb 6oz	7lbs 6oz	20.39	30.77	18.46	150.00	
Deer antler	1 pr	1 pr	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	
Moose Antler	1 pr	1 pr	120.00	120.00	120.00	120.00	

Total Sales: \$12,898.00

Averages on most species declined in comparison to our March Fur Auction, 2013. After opening on a high note, the market is starting to show signs of weakening. There were a number of No Sales and one large lot of fur was withdrawn.

We would like to thank all those who again helped out. Thanks go out especially to Dave Perrin, Bruce Baroffio, John Abts, Jim Calchera, Jim Stewart, Mak Keyes, Bruce Lang and Brent Teillon. Thank you, John Krisher, for the sausage donation.

A "big" thanks to Chuck Eaton for excellent auctioneering!

A special thanks to Doreen Perrin for another wonderful job of managing and running the food concession!

The VTA annual Spring Fur Auction will be held on Saturday, March 15, 2014 in Bethel VT.

For more information on this auction, please contact Dan Olmstead at 802-464-6344 or email at: [jolmstead@myfairpoint.net](mailto:jolmstead@myfairpoint.net)

Respectfully submitted,

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