

## ANNUAL FALL FUR AUCTION

December 10, 2016

The Annual Fall Fur Auction was held at the Whitcomb High School in Bethel VT on Saturday, Dec 10, 2016. Six 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	2	2	10.75	12.50	9.00	21.50	
Muskrat	7	7	3.14	3.33	3.00	22.00	
Coyote	34	34	13.88	15.00	12.50	472.50	
Red Fox	11	11	16.36	18.75	6.00	180.00	
Grey Fox	3	3	15.67	15.67	15.67	47.00	
Raccoon	12	12	4.50	4.64	3.00	54.00	
Beaver	6	6	12.67	13.00	12.00	76.00	
Skunk	8	6	5.00	5.00	5.00	30.00	2
Castor	1 lb 2oz	1 lb 2oz	36.44	36.44	36.44	41.00	

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Total Sales: \$944.00

This was, by far, the smallest auction the VTA has ever held. It reflects, not only the state of the current fur market, but the tendency of those trappers, who are still active, to hold everything until the spring sale. This has been a growing trend over the last few years.

Before the auction commenced, a moment of silence was observed in memory of long time VTA director Jim Stewart who recently passed away. Jim helped out at our fur auctions for many years and his efforts were greatly appreciated. He will be missed.

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

A "big" thanks to Chuck Eaton for another excellent job of 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 18, 2017 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,

Dan Olmstead, VTA Director

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