

THE VERMONT TRAPPER'S ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL FALL FUR AUCTION
DECEMBER 12, 2009

The annual Fall Fur Auction was held at the Whitcomb High School in Bethel VT on Saturday, December 12, 2009. 25 lots of fur were offered to the 4 buyers present. The following is a breakdown of prices received.

Species	Offered	Sold	Ave	High	Low	\$\$ Total	N/S
Mink	63	63	7.20	10.25	5.00	453.50	
Muskrat	262	262	3.38	3.71	1.25	885.75	
Coyote	102	100	10.67	16.50	7.21	1,066.50	2
Red Fox	18	11	12.18	17.00	5.00	134.00	7
Grey Fox	2	2	15.75	18.00	13.50	31.50	
Coon	48	48	7.05	12.50	4.00	338.50	
Fisher	4	4	38.00	40.50	35.00	152.00	
Beaver	72	72	10.47	15.00	7.14	754.00	
Otter	8	8	36.88	40.00	30.00	295.00	
Skunk	9	9	3.39	4.00	3.00	30.50	
Weasel	6	6	2.08	4.75	.75	12.50	
Bobcat	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
Castor	6 lb,10 oz	6 lb,10 oz	42.42	44.44	31.20	280.00	
Opossum	1	1	.10	.10	.10	.10	
Red Squirrel	9	9	1.44	1.44	1.44	13.00	
Bear	1	1	65.00	65.00	65.00	65.00	
Deer Antler	1	1	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	
Moose Antler	2	2	32.50	32.50	32.50	65.00	
Woodchuck skull	1	1	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	
Muskrat Glands	0	0	0	0	0	0	

TOTAL SALES: \$ 4,606.85

The fur market continues to struggle through these difficult economic times although some species advanced from last March's auction. The total sales of \$4,606.85 was an all time low.

I would like to thank all those who helped out, especially Dave Perrin, Bruce and Penny Baroffio, John Abts, Jim Calchera, Jim Stewart, Paul Ainsworth, Mak Keyes and Brent Teillon.

A big thanks to Chuck Eaton for auctioneering this sale.

A special thanks to you, Doreen Perrin, for another wonderful job of implementing, managing and running the food concession and to Judi for helping. We hope you liked the new food concession set up because it saved the VTA money not paying out an hourly rental of the kitchen cooking facility.

The Spring Auction will be held on Saturday, March 20, 2010. PLEASE NOTE: This is the 3rd Saturday in March!

For more info on this auction, please contact Dan Olmstead at: 802-464-6344 or Email: pppgroom@sover.net

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