



# Alberta Trappers' Association Fur Competition

## 2017 RENDEZVOUS PELT HANDLING COMPETITION

**SENIOR 1ST (18 years and over) (limit of 1 entry per species)**

CATEGORIES: WOLF-FISHER-OTTER-LYNX-COYOTE-MARTEN-MINK-FOX-BOBCAT-WOLVERINE-RACCOON  
MUSKRAT-ERMINE-SQUIRREL-BEAVER

**JUNIOR 1ST PRIZE (17yrs and under) (limit of 1 entry per species)**

CATEGORIES: COYOTE-MARTEN-MINK-FOX-MUSKRAT-ERMINE-SQUIRREL-BEAVER

\*\*FOR MUSKRAT, SQUIRREL AND ERMINE, 3 PELTS MUST BE SUBMITTED PER ENTRY

(the same limit of 1 entry applies but with 3 pelts per)

\*\*Prize amounts will vary according to sponsorship involvement.

\*\*Please remember that furs that have been stored need to be checked for bugs

\*\*ALL JUDGING AND ANY DECISIONS MADE WILL BE FINAL.

For donations and information on the competition please contact Marc McQuat 780-841-4523

**Sponsors Welcome**

**Save Your Pelts!**

# Pelt Handling Competition

<p><b>Best Handled Bundle of 5 Furs</b></p> <p>Five (5) furs together, one (1) from each category:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Beaver</li> <li>2 Mink, otter, fisher</li> <li>3 Coyote, fox, bobcat, lynx, wolverine, raccoon or wolf</li> <li>4 Squirrel, ermine, muskrat, marten or skunk</li> <li>5 Trapper's choice of any pelt from above list not yet used. (Bundle must contain 5 different pelts)</li> </ol>	<p><b>Beaver</b></p> <p>Shape----30            Cleanliness – fur ---10            Cleanliness – leather ---10            Nose off----10            Legs Sewn----10            No false cut ---10            Eyes and ears sewn ---10            General appearance----10  <b>Total Points -- 100</b></p>
<p><b>Coyotes and Fox: Fur Out</b></p> <p>Shape of nose -----20            Tail split &amp; bone removed-----20            Cleanliness – fur----20            Cleanliness – leather----20            Ears – cartilage out, legs tucked in-----20  <b>Total Points ---- 100</b></p>	<p><b>Marten and Fisher: Fur-out</b></p> <p>Shape – head ----20            Shape – body----20            Cleanliness – fur ---20            Cleanliness – leather ---20            Tail split – bone out, legs tucked in ----20  <b>Total Points -- 100</b></p>
<p><b>Timber Wolves, Wolverine: Fur-out</b></p> <p>Handling – shape-----40            Claws on-----10            Cleanliness ----10            Paws skinned out (not tucked in) -----10            Grease removed-----10            Ears – cartilage out-----10            Tail bone removed, tail split----10  <b>Total Points ---- 100</b></p>	<p><b>Raccoon: Fur-in</b></p> <p>Shape-----40            Cleanliness – fur -----15            Cleanliness – leather -----15            Vent -----15            Tail split, tail removed, legs sewn-----10  <b>Total Points --- 100</b></p>
<p><b>Lynx and Bobcat: Fur-out</b></p> <p>Shape, tail bone removed, tail split, legs tucked in --- 15            Cleanliness – fur----15            Cleanliness – leather ----15            General appearance ----40            Ears – cartilage out ----15  <b>Total Points ---- 100</b></p>	<p><b>Mink: Fur-in</b></p> <p>Shape – pelt -----15            Grease removed -----15            Cleanliness – fur -----15            Cleanliness – leather -----15            Vent, tail bone removed, tail split, legs tucked in ----40  <b>Total Points --- 100</b></p>
<p><b>Muskrat, Squirrel, Ermine: Fur-in</b></p> <p>Shape ----25            Grease Removed -----25            Cleanliness- leather -----25            General appearance, tail bone removed, legs tucked in -----25  <b>Total Points --- 100</b></p>	<p><b>Otter: Fur-in</b></p> <p>Shape -----15            Cleanliness – fur -----15            Cleanliness – leather -----15            Vent -----20            Tail – shape, split, bone removed -----15            Legs sewn -----15  <b>Total Points ---- 100</b></p>

One of the highlights of the annual Rendezvous convention is the pelt handling competition. Pelts are submitted for a variety of species in a range of categories. All pelts are scored on the quality of fur preparation, not the primness, grade or quality of fur. Claws are to be removed on all pelts except wolverine and wolf. Junior trappers may enter the senior competition, but not if they have a pelt in the junior competition. You must be a current paid member of the ATA. All decisions of the judges are final and binding.

**Deadline for entries will be 10 AM Saturday Morning!!**

Junior Pelt Categories (15 and Under)  
 Muskrat, Marten, Mink, Ermine or Squirrel,  
 Beaver