

Land Mammal Checklist

- ___ Woodland Caribou (C)
- ___ Moose* (C) 1904
- ___ Arctic Fox** (R)
- ___ Red Fox (U)
- ___ Black Bear (R)
- ___ Polar Bear** (R)
- ___ Ermine (U)
- ___ Mink* (U)
- ___ River Otter (U)
- ___ Canada Lynx (R)
- ___ Red Squirrel* (C) 1963
- ___ Beaver (U)
- ___ Meadow Vole (U)
- ___ Boreal Red-backed Vole (U)
- ___ Muskrat (U)
- ___ House Mouse* (U-C)
- ___ Norway Rat* (U-C)
- ___ Snowshoe Hare* (U-C) circa 1860
- ___ Common (Masked) Shrew* (C)

Notes:

- 1). Woodland Caribou, including the Avalon Caribou herd, are in major decline across all of Eastern Canada
- 2). It is surprising to see the occasional Beaver lodge on the barrens; presumably they find enough small deciduous trees to survive on
- 3). Vole populations vary over numerous years according to their breeding cycles

* Introduced with date of introduction where known

**Arctic Fox and Polar Bear very occasionally come down on icebergs and heavy pack ice which occasionally reaches the southern Avalon in spring; “Bear Cove” is more likely named after a nomadic Polar Bear than a Black Bear; in few years ago an Arctic Fox hung out around Cape Race for many months

Legend:

C = Common: expect to see if one seeks them out in suitable habitat

U = Uncommon: occasionally found when one seeks them out in suitable habitat

VU = Very Uncommon: recorded some years in suitable habitat

R = Rare: unlikely to be seen; few records