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Bulletin of the Muzzleloaders of the Niantic Sportsmen's Club
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Proud of Passing on Marksmanship Traditions on the Line and on the Trail

Entering the Winter Season Offers Fresh Challenges and Fun for Muzzleloaders



Here's a classic fall scene from a line shoot few weeks ago, illustrating that the smoky pleasures of muzzleloading still endure today. Give it a try—there's plenty of coaching.



The Camp at the Parade Grounds beckons to our blackpowder fans—with tasty and filling treats for a woodsy gathering.

Now, we're ready for leafless trees and uncluttered shots for the steady-handed.

Coming up first is a Pre-Thanksgiving Line Shoot on **Sunday morning, November 19**. Show up about 9 a.m. at the Parade Grounds and we'll start at about 10. Our popular outdoor cookery will follow, so join in!

Our past October and early-November matches were a bit weather-challenged, but allowed us to enjoy several improvements which were the fruits of a small volunteer force.

So...if it shoots front-loaded blackpowder from the powder horn or measure or pellet tin, bring it along and have fun. Spectators welcome, too!

EVENTS IN OUR SIGHTS...

- **November 19, 2023**
A Line Shoot and new Targets
- **December 10, 2023**
Probable Trail Shoot
- **January 14, 2024**
Probable Trail Shoot

Work parties generated improved rebar-strengthened line stations, and trimmed and weed-whacked trails. We anticipate more and even better woodland items. As usual, contact Bob or Jack with ideas.

Fall-Winter-Spring 2023-2024

To enter the action-packed, sooty world of muzzleloading (and learn a lot about our ancestors' accuracy and techniques) contact us any time. Come see our upcoming trailwalks and line shoots!

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