Pleasant River Fish & Game Conservation Assoc.

2026, 11th Annual

Basic land navigation skills

PUCKERBRUSH PRIMITIVE GATHERING

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Basic knife and carving skillls

Blacksmithing workshops

Canoe skills and adventures

"Sharing skills, building community"

You are invited to the 11th annual Puckerbrush Primitive Gathering being held July 17-19 at Pleasant River Fish & Game Conservation Association in Columbia, Maine. Puckerbrush is a celebration of traditional archery, bushcraft, art, survival, outdoors, and ancestral skills. It is an opportunity for people with a diverse range of backgrounds and a shared interest in an older, simpler way of doing things to gather, both sharing and learning skills. This is very much a "hands on" event, kids of all ages are encouraged to get their hands dirty and have fun! While instruction is a big part of the event, just as importantly we encourage interaction between all attendees with a goal of growing the skills based community.

A complete list of activities being offered is available at our website, www.prfgca.org , and will be continually updated as the event draws nearer. Meals and concessions are available, and there will be a pot-luck dinner the evening of Saturday the 18th. Feel free to bring a musical instrument for afterward.

Our facility is located in rural downeast Maine, and in addition to organized activities, fishing, canoeing, swimming, and hiking opportunities are available onsite.

Puckerbrush is growing every year. While we have numerous new workshops lined up for 2026, and our most popular ones are returning, we welcome more presenters and vendors of event appropriate items. You may qualify for free admission to the event, contact us for more information!

Questions? E-mail us at puckerbrush@prfgca.org, or call Larry (207) 497-5621.

• Knife Making • Traditional Canoe Construction • Bowmaking
Friction Fire workshop • Plantwalk • Knots & ropework • Buckskin preparation
• Natural cordage • Knives and Knife safety • Axes and axe safety • Blacksmithing
• Flint Knapping • Archery range • Tracking workshop • Evening astronomy
• Pottery • Knife & axe throwing • Trade blanket • Rabbit stick throwing
• Semi permanent shelter construction • Cast iron cooking • Canoe poling • Green woodworking
• Timber framing • Have fun • Make new friends • Share your skills

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11th Annual Puckerbrush Primitive Gathering

Traditional archery, bushcraft, survival, outdoor & ancestral skills, handcrafts, and more!

July 17 - 19, 2026

Columbia, Maine

1. Cost- General admission is $25.00 for the weekend with free camping included. Day passes are $5.00 for Friday afternoon, $15.00 for Saturday, $10.00 for Sunday. Youth 12 and under free.

2. Hours- The grounds will open at 12:00 Friday for campers. Events will be scheduled Friday 12:00 - 5:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm, and Sunday 9:00 am -3:00 pm. Please inquire about pre and post event set up/ break down times.

3. Firearms- The facility will be closed for firearms use Friday through Sunday. We ask that all firearms be locked in your vehicle for the duration of your visit.

4. Camping- Free primitive camping is available on site. We have sanitary facilities, but enforce a strict carry in/carry out policy on trash.

5. Pets- We welcome friendly, well behaved dogs. Dogs are to be kept under the immediate control of their owners and held on a leash no less than six feet in length. Owners are responsible for providing their own shade and picking up after their animals.

6. Alcohol- This is a kid/family friendly chem free event. Alcohol and all other intoxicants are forbidden.

7. Food- There will be a staffed kitchen selling meals, snacks, and beverages during event hours.

8. Fire- Fire rings will be available for use in approved areas, firewood will be available.

9. Children- All children are to be supervised by an adult at all times.

10. Presenters- may be eligible for free admission. Please contact us for more information.

Directions: From US 1 in Columbia Falls, Maine, following signage go north on Epping Rd., travel 2 ¼ miles to Meetinghouse Rd., turn right and travel ½ mile, and turn right on Tibbettstown Rd. immediately after crossing the bridge. Turn right at first driveway, 1597 Tibbettstown Rd., red building will be visible on top of the hill.