

# The Alberta Youth Pheasant Program >>>

Here's a chance to make a significant difference in the lives of Alberta's Youth. Donations from Clubs and Corporate sponsors are greatly appreciated.

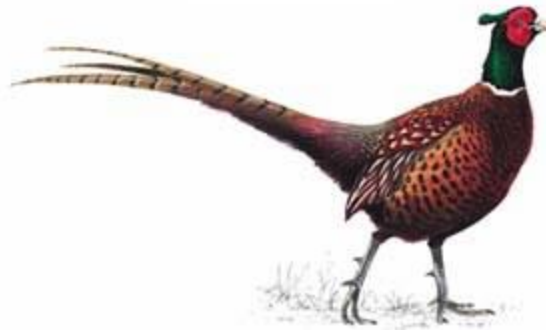
Through the Alberta Youth Pheasant Program, aspiring young hunters have a chance to experience bird game hunting and safe gun handling while being mentored by qualified outdoorsmen.

The youths who have gone through this program have shown a lot of enthusiasm and have gained a better respect for wildlife, its habitat and its conservation.



"Our future lies in the hands of our youth. Teach them well and one day they will fulfill our dreams of the sportsmen we wanted them to be."

Author, Jim Slinsky



## Contact Us >>>

*The Red Deer Fish & Game Association is taking over the management of the Alberta Youth Pheasant Program and needs your continued support.*

Donation can be made out to **The Alberta Youth Pheasant Program** and can be mailed to the address for the Red Deer Fish & Game Association.

For more information, contact Doug Wood at **403-347-7968**

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**FALL PROGRAM**



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### Program History >>>

The Alberta Youth Pheasant Program has operated for many years with the help and guidance of the Sarcee Fish & Game Association. In the past, this program has had as many as 100 students per year taking advantage of the course.

Each student learns shotgun patterns, clay pigeon shooting, safe gun control, and game cleaning. While hunting the released pheasants each young hunter is accompanied by a mentor to ensure proper gun control and safety. Dog handlers with well trained dogs are also in the field to flush the birds for the participants.

The young hunters gain first-hand knowledge of bird hunting with dogs and a respect for wildlife and habitat conservation.



### The Future >>>

The importance of trained, experienced and mentored hunters in the outdoors is paramount to good habitat conservation, proper game management, and safe enjoyable experiences in our great Canadian outdoors for future generations.

## Pay It Forward >>>

As we all know, the numbers of hunters in Canada is dwindling. Most of us are over 50. Our experience and knowledge can be passed down to the next generation to ensure our great hunting, outdoor experience and conservation heritage will continue. Pay it forward, and donate today!

### The Costs >>>

The average number of birds required is about 500 and these are raised and then released by Dan Radomsky on his farm near Innisfail.

Most often, young birds are purchased for \$8 each from suppliers.

A less expensive option is to purchase eggs and have the birds brooded in Olds.

Dan Radomsky receives about \$10 per acre for crops left unharvested for use with training the Alberta Youth Pheasant Program's participants.

Other costs for the Program to consider are the 4 tons of food required for the birds, priced at approximately \$300 per ton. As well, advertising in flyers and newspapers, and the signing of waivers costs about \$10 per student.

An additional \$300 is traditionally spent every December to thank the sponsors and the people who are involved with this enjoyable and very worthwhile Program.

Donation receipts will be sent out where applicable.



### The Proposal >>>

Every fall, the Red Deer Fish & Game is able to introduce over 50 students to the Alberta Youth Pheasant Program. *We require your support to make this happen.*

**>>> Pay it forward and ask your Club to support our Program!**