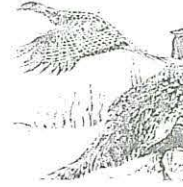


Gosfield North Sportsmen Association



September 12, 2021

Town of Kingsville
2021 Division Road North
Kingsville, ON N9Y 2Y9

Attention: Mayor and Councilors

Re: 2021 Pheasant Release Program

Dear Sirs/Madams;

On behalf of the Gosfield North Sportsmen Association, please accept our deepest gratitude for your contribution of the hunting license fees collected in the past. Covid-19 has had a devastating effect on our pheasant release program. The cancellation of our 2020 fundraising events, especially our annual Wild Game Dinner in the spring and our Fish Fry in September, prevented our club from fulfilling its mandate to release pheasants in the community in 2020. The pandemic has carried on in 2021 and these fundraising events have been cancelled again in 2021. The membership of the Gosfield North Sportsmen Association felt that our club should continue its mandate even in these trying times. The club has unanimously agreed to release 500 pheasants in 2021 (approximately 40% of our last release in 2019) to show our commitment to our program. We will attempt to be as fair as possible in our release area in the distribution of birds. One very important consideration in selecting release property is that the birds have a good source of water, cover and feed sources. We have to give them the best opportunity to survive and to reproduce in nature as they were intended. We would very much appreciate any feedback, negative or positive, that you may have received to assist us in improving our release program.

To further demonstrate our commitment to continuing our pheasant release program, we have completed our Phase 1 new pheasant pens construction on our GNSA property at 93E County Road 14 in Cottam. These pens will hold 2,400 birds for our club. We have been able to generate a major portion of the funds for this construction of our new pens since the club's inception from fundraising, pheasant sales and from our supporters like to the Town of Kingsville. Please come out to see our new pheasant farm.

With the seemingly never-ending pressure of cancelled fundraising due to Covid-19, our club will have many challenges to continue our program in the future. Please be assured that we plan on the Gosfield North Sportsmen being around for many years. We would like to thank you again very much for your support to our program in the past and do hope that the Town of Kingsville will consider its continuation of its partnership with the Gosfield North Sportsmen in our Pheasant Release Program by contributing the license fees collected for the 2021 hunting season. Your considerations would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely:

Ken W Roadhouse
Secretary