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## Young adult hunt program offered

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A Massachusetts Young Adult Pheasant Hunt Program has been developed by MassWildlife (Massachusetts Division of Fisheries & Wildlife) to provide an opportunity for the 12–17-year-old Hunter Education graduate to practice

firearms safety, develop shooting skills and participate in a special pheasant hunt with a safe, experienced hunter in a friendly environment.

This comprehensive recreational program includes shooting instruction and practice and pre-hunt workshop in the field, culminating with the pheasant hunt.

The Norco Sportsman's Club in Princeton is offering the program every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. until October 4 at the club on Houghton Road. The kids go to the trap range for hunter safety then to the classroom for instruction. On Saturday, October 8, the program ends with a hunt.

There is no charge. The Norco Club will supply the ammunition and guns. MassWildlife will supply orange vests and hats. Members of the Norco Club, Eight Point Sportsmen's Club and others will teach kids how to work with hunting dogs, said director Kenneth Stidsen.

Participants age 15 to 17 will need to obtain a firearms identification card before October 8.

The class is limited. Participants can show up on Tuesday night. or call Dick Fontaine at (508) 886-6690 or Stidsen at (978) 422-6238 to sign up.

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