



## Sweetbriar Happenings...

The vines are trimmed and clean up continues. Spring came early as March and April's temperatures were above average but more importantly there was no hard freeze in late April or early May. Yes this the same sentence as last year because we have had the same weather but with more rain. The vineyard is three weeks ahead of previous years.



Last years harvest was good for the Riesling as I have three times as much wine as last year. The Cabernet Sauvignon had the attack of the quail and left me one cluster untouched. The Cabernet Franc had some powdery mildew so that limited my crop also. The rest were about the same as last year. The harvest was a family affair as two families came out to help.

We have sold out of everything this year except the Vignoles.. I have a couple of cases left. If you really like it, you might want to come out and gets some before it's gone too. I have some 2011 Cabernet Franc to give away until it's gone instead of the 2013 that I sold out of.

We are having our annual release party on the 23rd and 24th of July from Noon to 6 PM or whenever. We have our Vignoles and Pinto Gris which we think are a lot better than last year. The Riesling is a Late Harvest so it is sweet, 4% residual sugar. I also made a Late Harvest Vignoles which is 6% residual sugar. We are also releasing our 2014 Cabernet Franc, a small quantity of 2015 Semi-Sweet Cabernet Franc and maybe one of our 2013 big reds. So, come join us on the 23rd and 24th of July. If you can't make it, call and let me know when you can and we'll set up a time to meet.

If things go as they did last year, we should be harvesting around the same time as last year. I'll keep you posted as the year goes on.

Thanks - Mike

### Upcoming Events

July 23rd and 24th  
Release Party

12:00 PM to 6:00 PM

