



Cogdal Vineyards Little Man Club Notes

2023 Volume III (September)



The summer season created many memories for all of us with beautiful weather, Wednesday night music, and greeting new and old friends on the patio. We know you have many options and appreciate your support in making us your stop to relax and enjoy the winery.

The grape vines have also enjoyed the growing season. The vines are healthy and we are hopeful for an above average harvest. To enhance the harvest, we changed how we trimmed the vines to a single grape cluster per shoot. This should improve the quality of the fruit without a reduction in the yield. We still need to endure the next 6 weeks of weather and the endless deer challenge, but all signs point to a good result.

We started our harvest September 10 with non Cogdal grapes: Marquette (Big Lake, Red Tail, Nana's & Sunset Kiss) and Foch (Big Lake and Vision). More hybrids will be next: Chambourcin (Vision, Reflection, Nana's and Sunset Kiss) and Vignoles (Vin Blanc, Charlie's Choice). Then we will harvest Riesling, Cabernet Franc, and Merlot. We are always looking for help with processing grapes. Send Jack a text (616.292.3983) if you are interested.

During October we will be enclosing the porch with clear vinyl on the south side and opaque vinyl on the sides. This provides a heated area to overlook the vineyard and enjoy your glass of wine. We also will bring out our 2 gas fire pits to warm you up outdoors on the patio.

Our last day of being open everyday is October 29. We will only be open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday through December 16. The winery will be closed December 17 through February 1 and then be open Friday, Saturday, Sunday starting February 2. We can arrange a pickup or a wine shipment during our closed times. Currently we are offering free shipping. Order the wine to ship through our website (cogdalvineyards.com)

We look forward to 2024. Of course we start with the new wines and showing you what we have been working on at our annual wine release party in the spring. We also have plans for more wine education classes after the success of our first one this year. It will be our 3rd year of summer music and you can expect more great music and food on Wednesday nights. The big event this year will be our 10th Anniversary Party with music, food and some special events.

Thanks!

Deb and Jack

Hours: Noon to 5pm

Daily through October 29

Friday, Saturday, Sunday November 3 through December 16

Closed December 17 through February 1

Friday, Saturday, Sunday February 2 through May 5

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