



Cherry update: 28 Sept 2014

See latest videos of the crop at

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZQZFhSocOuU_Kv5AYjNdlg

Weather:

Weather thus far has been good to us with warm days (> 25 C). Nights have been warm as well.

The coming week is predicted to be windy (max 60 km/h). Warm weather is however predicted to continue until next week on Friday when the first rain is expected.

Highlands

Mini Royal and Royal Lee: (expected sizing – 24 / 25 mm)

The few that survived the frost is now straw colour. This compares well with 2010 when we harvested on the 15th of Oct. (see below) The current cherries are from later flowers and therefor O expect harvest to start 3 -4 days later than 2010. We will get a better ideal next week.

RL on 29 Sept 2010





There will however be very few kg's .

Royal dawn :expected sizing(25/26 mm)



RD at Highlands is setting better than expected and I think we will harvest quite a bit. I am however leaving the prediction as it currently stands.



The RD at Crimson is setting very well and the fruit drop is insignificant. We are expecting a bumper crop.

Cashmere(expected sizing 25 / 26 mm)

Fruitset at Highlands and Crimson is looking very good. Even a small crop at Hiddendale. We will try to get it through the rain and into the local market.



Bings/ Lapins(expected sizing 25/26mm)

The Bing crop is looking very good to average depending on frost damage. The same applies to the Lapins. We are still expecting a good crop. Fruit drop is taking place and is not creating any concern currently.

Rainier(expected sizing 25/26mm)

I am expecting about 1 ton of Rainier and 600 kg's suitable for export. Please advise as to demand for these fruit. I can spray them with GA to harden them up a bit more, harvest and pick in field and use forced air cooling to limit the damage.