On April 29, buds were examined from the following cultivars: Early Black (EB), Howes (H), Ben Lear (BL), and Stevens (ST). These buds were collected at Makepeace Rosebrook Bogs in Wareham and Makepeace Starr Bog in East Wareham (H and ST only). All cultivars had buds that had reached the 'cabbage head' or bud-break stage. The buds had expanded to 2 mm diameter or greater.

At the cabbage head stage tolerance for EB and H is 25°F; tolerance for BL and ST is 27°F. Based on appearance, new hybrids should be assumed to have the same tolerance as BL.

ALWAYS CHECK THE TOLERANCE ON YOUR BOGS.
BL cabbage-head, 27°F, Rosebrook 4/29