

BOGNOR REGIS

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

NOVEMBER 2004

RAINFALL

31.3mm (1.23ins) on 16 days.

Greatest fall in 24 hours (09-09h) 7.9mm (0.31ins) on 20th.

November 2003 total rainfall 113.6mm (4.7ins) on 17 days.

January to November 2004 571.0mm (22.51ins)

January to November 2003 481.7mm (18.96ins)

TEMPERATURES

Highest Maximum - 14.7°C (58.4°F) on 4th.

Lowest Maximum - 6.3°C (43.3°F) on 19th

Highest Minimum - 11.8°C (53.2°F) on 4th.

Lowest Minimum - 1.4°C (34.5°F) on 19th.

Lowest Grass - -1.9°C (23.5°F) on 14th

SUNSHINE

November 2004 67.6 hours on 18 days.

November 2003 87.4 hours on 18 days.

Maximum sunshine in 24 hours 8.3 hours on 13th.

January to November 2004 1830.1 hours.

January to November 2003 2059.7 hours.

SUMMARY

November was generally a mild month with day and night temperatures above the seasonal average. Rainfall was well below the average and sunshine was in short supply. There were just five days when a daily total of five hours or more was recorded and a total of twelve days with zero sunshine.

The month began quietly with high pressure dominating the weather scene. Despite the high pressure however the weather was unsettled and during the early hours of 2nd, 5.1mm of rain were recorded. Day and night temperatures were well above normal but apart from 4th when 5.5 hours were recorded, sunshine was in very short supply. On 10th, the weather became more settled. The sun put in a welcome appearance and for the next five days some very pleasant sunshine was in evidence and more than half of the month's total was accumulated. Pressure began to rise over the U.K. on 13th and there followed a cold period with the first ground frost (-1.9°C) during the night 13/14. Although pressure remained relatively high, miserable damp weather prevailed through to the 21st with the heaviest rainfall of the month (7.9mm) during the afternoon of 20th. Apart from 22nd, when Bognor Regis was the sunniest in the U.K. with 5.1 hours of sunshine, the weather soon returned to its typical gloomy mood and maintained it through to the end of the month.

The rainfall total of 31.3mm was well below the seasonal average of 74.9mm. The third driest since 1988 (22.4mm).

The sunshine total of 67.6 hours was well below the seasonal average of 89.6 hours. The dullest since 1994 (42.8 hours).

The mean maximum temperature of 11.5°C and minimum of 6.5°C were both above their respective totals of 10.6°C and 5.4°C. Last year was marginally warmer.

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