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## Mild November

Records have to be searched back to 1968 to find a November with less frost than the one just passed.

The month, as recorded at the Halesowen Climatological Station, was also very dry, with less than half the normal amount of rain.

Of the 38mm (1.50in), 9.5mm (0.37in) fell on November 18. In all, rain fell on 14 days over a period of 32 hours, seven days being 'wet' and three 'very wet'.

Temperatures were markedly up on average, ranging from 14.7C (58F) on the first, to -0.4C (31F) on the sixth. Only two air frosts occurred, with eight ground frosts, the sharpest being -4.2C (24F) on the sixth.

Air pressure was consistently high at the beginning of the month, resulting in light winds. The latter part of the month saw more disturbed weather, with gusts to gale force on November 23.

Total wind run at 6,177

miles gave 206 miles per day at 8.6 mph, with November 23 the windiest day.

The month was also very dull, only 82 per cent of the usual bright sunshine being recorded. Nine days were completely sunless, with 19 mornings totally overcast.