

SIGNIFICANT FEATURES OF THE MONTH:

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APRIL SHOWERS!! WE CAN EXPECT RAIN ON AVERAGE ON 14 DAYS OF THE MONTH AMOUNTING TO 53.6MM.

FROST IS STILL FAIRLY COMMON, AVERAGING 4 NIGHTS. THE WORST MONTH WAS IN 1968 WITH 10 FROSTS IN THE AIR, THE MOST SEVERE BEING TO -5.4C.

SNOW OR SLEET CAN STILL BE EXPECTED ON 2 DAYS. IN 1975 IT OCCURRED ON 9 DAYS AND IN 1983 SNOW LAY ON 2 MORNINGS.

THUNDER IS ALSO QUITE COMMON BEING POSSIBLE ON 6 OUT OF 10 APRILS. IN 1983 IT OCCURRED ON 4 OCCASIONS, WITH NO THUNDERSTORM RECORDED THIS YEAR.

GUSTS TO GALE FORCE CAN BE EXPECTED ON 28 OCCASIONS. IN 1985 THERE WERE 82 GUSTS, THE HIGHEST BEING TO 37 KNOTS. IN 1990 NO GALE FORCE GUSTS WERE RECORDED AT ALL, WHILST 1991 SAW 13 OVER 3 DAYS.

LAST APRIL EQUALLED THE MAXIMUM DAILY TEMPERATURE FOR APRIL OF 23.5C SET ON APRIL 25 1984. THIS YEAR SAW A MAXIMUM NO HIGHER THAN 18.2C