

GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE MONTH.

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Three records were broken: mean maximum of 19.6(previous 19.5/1989); mean daily of 13.7(previous 13.4/1970), and total sunshine at 257.8 hrs(previous 256.2/1989).

Temperatures were well up, by over 4C for the mean maximum. Four days were hot (max>25C/77F) and 14 were above 21C/70F.

Rain was 25% above average, over 78% of the total of 78.1mm falling over the the final 4 days in severe thunderstorms of which we had four(normal 2).

Rain was falling at a rate of 100mm/hr(almost 4ins/hr) at 1138GMT on the 30th.

From the 13th-22nd we had over 10 hrs bright sunshine each day, the maximum of 14 hours occurring on the 27th.