

## THE AUTUMN OF 1995.

THE 1995 AUTUMN SEASON WAS ONE OF THE MOST OPEN ON RECORD HERE IN DATA GOING BACK 40 YEARS.

THE MEAN MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE OF 14.7C (58.5F) WAS ONLY marginally below the highest on record, the 14.8C (58.6F) set in 1978. THE MEAN DAILY TEMPERATURE OF 11.0C (51.8F) ALSO EQUALLED THE RECORD FIRST SET IN THE AUTUMN OF 1978.

IN ALL 6 AIR FROSTS OCCURRED AS OPPOSED TO THE 1 LAST YEAR AND THE 17 OF 1993. GROUND FROST, MUCH MORE PREVALENT, TOTALLED 12 THIS AUTUMN, 8 BETTER THAN AVERAGE, AGAINST THE 10 LAST YEAR AND THE 30 IN 1993. THIS MADE 1995 THE 7TH BEST ON RECORD.

TOTAL RAINFALL AT 190.3MM (7.49INS), ABOUT AVERAGE, WAS THE LOWEST SINCE 1991 WHICH CAME AT THE END OF A 4-YEAR SPELL OF DRY AUTUMNS.

AUTUMN SUNSHINE TOTALLED 335 HOURS, THE BEST SINCE 1986 AND THE 7TH SUNNIEST HERE SINCE RECORDS BEGAN IN 1956. THIS WAS 42 HOURS ABOVE THE 30-YEAR MEAN. SUNLESS DAYS TOTALLED 13, 7 BETTER THAN AVERAGE AND THE LOWEST SINCE 1977 MAKING THIS AUTUMN THE 3RD BEST IN THIS RESPECT.