

# WOKINGHAM

# METEOROLOGICAL

# DATA

Wokingham Climatological Station, Emmbrook, Berkshire.

Lat/Long 51°25'N 00°51'W NGR (SU)798701 Altitude 46m ASL.

## Monthly Means and Totals

MAY 2009

Temperature (°C / °F)			Anomaly	Rank in the past 128 years			
Mean maximum	18.5	65.3	+1.5	20 <sup>th</sup> highest			
Mean minimum	7.9	46.2	+0.9	18 <sup>th</sup> highest			
Daily mean	13.2	55.8	+1.2	18 <sup>th</sup> highest			
Highest maximum	25.5	77.9	on 31 <sup>st</sup>	Lowest maximum	14.4	57.9	on 17 <sup>th</sup>
Highest minimum	11.8	53.2	on 15 <sup>th</sup>	Lowest minimum	1.0	33.8	on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Mean grass minimum	4.7	40.5	+0.5	Lowest grass minimum	-2.7	27.1	on 4 <sup>th</sup>
Mean earth @30 cm	13.6	56.5	+0.5	Earth @100 cm	12.0	53.6	
Frost duration (hrs)	0.0			Rain duration (hrs)	26.9		
Rainfall total (mm / in)	33.2	1.31	66 %	37 <sup>th</sup> lowest			
Highest daily fall	15.5	0.61	on 14 <sup>th</sup>				
Number of: Dry days (<0.2mm)	19	Wet days (>0.9mm)	7	days ≥5mm	1		
Sunshine total (hrs) 200,8	Daily mean 6,48	114 %		Sunniest day	15.5	on 30 <sup>th</sup>	
N° days with: Air frost 0	Ground frost 3	Snow falling 0	Snow lying 0				
Thunder 0	Hail ≥5mm 0	Small hail/ice 0	Fog @09 0	Nil sun	1		
Air pressure MSL : Mean @09 GMT (mbar/in)	1018.5	+2.6	30.08				
Absolute highest	1032.5		30.49	on 28 <sup>th</sup>			
Absolute lowest	1000.7		29.55	on 15 <sup>th</sup>			

Anomaly = departure from 1971 to 2000 average (degrees C, percent and mbar).

Notes:

**Warm Dry Above Average Sunshine**

**Temperature:** After a near record breaking May in 2008, even a month with the mean temperature over 1° above average can seem like an anticlimax.. For the first 3 weeks of this May, temperatures fluctuated around the normal, but the final week produced the best weather and several warm days, helping to lift the mean to 1.5° above average. The highest max was close to the long-term median, but the lowest max was 3.4° above its median and was highest since 1999, and before that 1940. The highest min is 0.7° below the median while the lowest min is 0.5° above its median. There were no air frosts, and the last May to have any was in 2005. The number of ground frosts is 2 fewer than average, and lowest since 2006, and there was none after the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month. Earth temperatures are slightly above average.

**Rainfall:** A dry month overall, and the driest May since 2005. Much of the month saw little rain, with two dry spells, the first of 9 days ended on the 6<sup>th</sup> and the second of 5 days ended on the 24<sup>th</sup>. The number of dry days is equal highest with 2005 since 2001. The duration of measurable rain is 13.0 hours below average and lowest since 2005. The highest rainfall rate was 28 mm/hr at 2328 GMT on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

This is the first May without thunder since 2002, and only the 5<sup>th</sup> in 34 years. **Sunshine:** This May has been sunny at times, with a total of just above 200 hours recorded, the most for this month since data from the current electronic recorder began in 2000. The total of 15.5 hours on the 30<sup>th</sup>, the month's sunniest day, is highest any May since before 1979. Overall there were 8 days with <3 hours, 16 with =>6 hours, 8 with =>9 hours, 5 with =>12 hours and 2 with =>15 hours.

**Wind:** The overall mean wind speed was 7.3 mph, 0.7 mph above average and equal highest with 2007 since 2002. The 18<sup>th</sup> was the windiest day, mean 10.9 mph, but the month's highest gusts of 37 mph were on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. The 14<sup>th</sup> was the least windy day, mean 2.9 mph, and there were 662 minutes (11.03 hr) with a mean speed of 0.5 mph or less. Daily mean direction/number of days: N,0 NE,8 E,1 SE,0 S,4 SW,10 W,7 NW,1.

**Humidity:** The overall relative humidity was 68.0 % and the lowest value reached was 25 % on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. The mean water vapour content per kg of air was 6.4 g at 0900 GMT and 6.1 g at 1500 GMT. **Pressure:** The month's highest pressure is highest for May since 1993. **Commentary: From the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup> :** Temperatures by day were never far from normal, with daily anomalies between +3.9° on the 10<sup>th</sup> to -1.2° on the 7<sup>th</sup>. Daily minima were much more varied, with anomalies between +5.8° on the 6<sup>th</sup> and -4.3° on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Ground frost occurred on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.

Mainly dry, but there was a little rain on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Sunshine was rather variable, about average overall, but 3 days had <10% of the maximum, and only 4 had >50%. Winds were SW'ly until the 9<sup>th</sup>, then NE'ly, generally light or moderate but fresh on the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

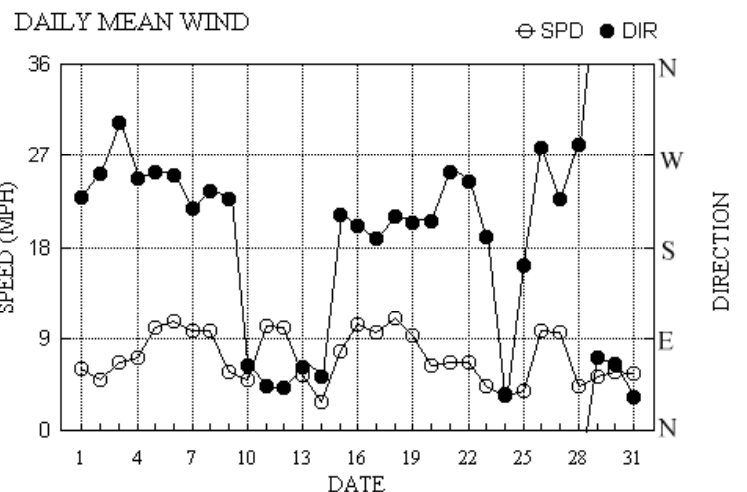
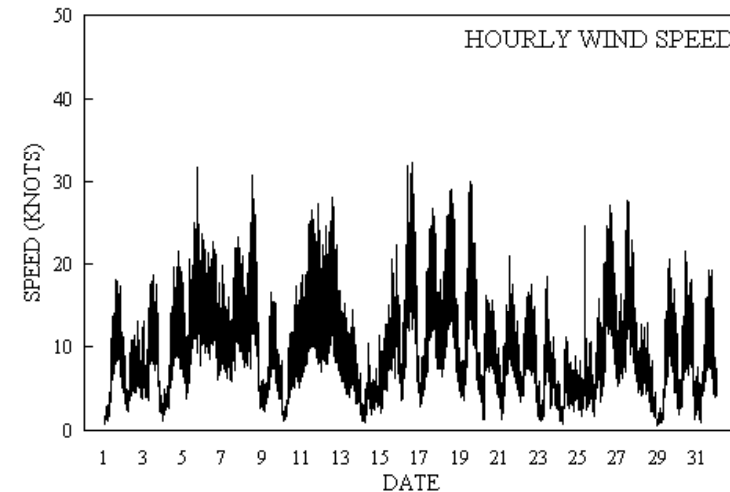
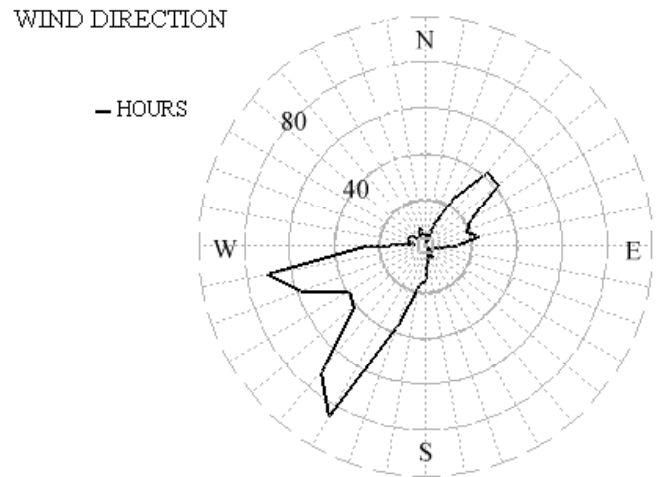
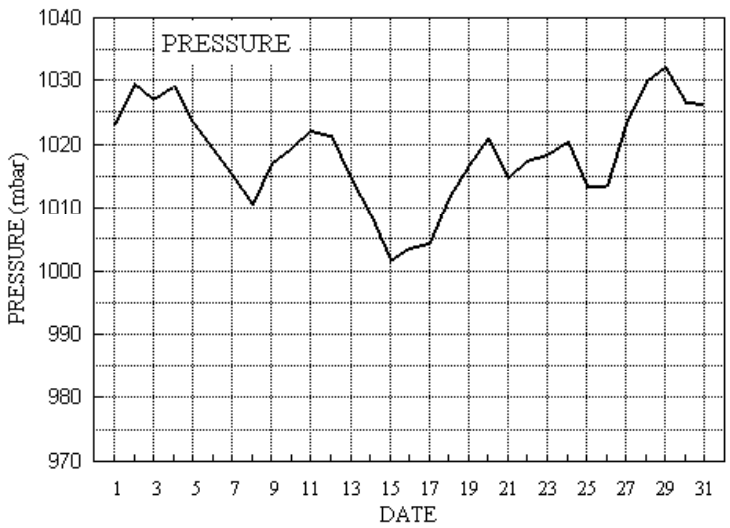
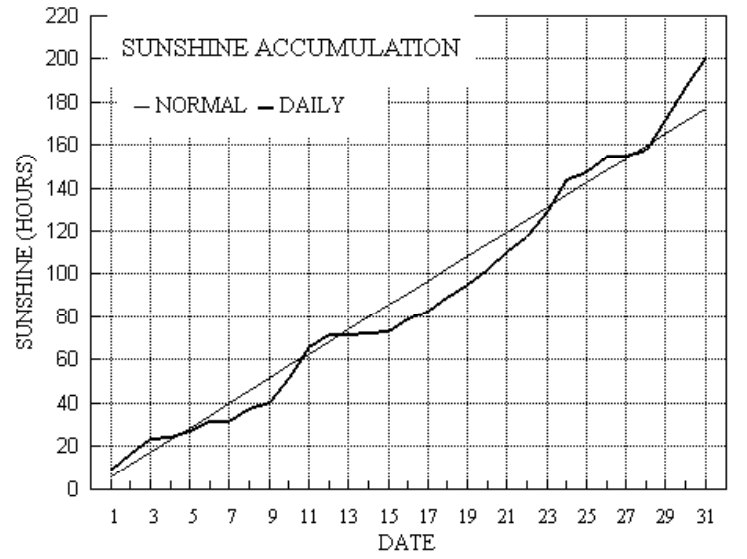
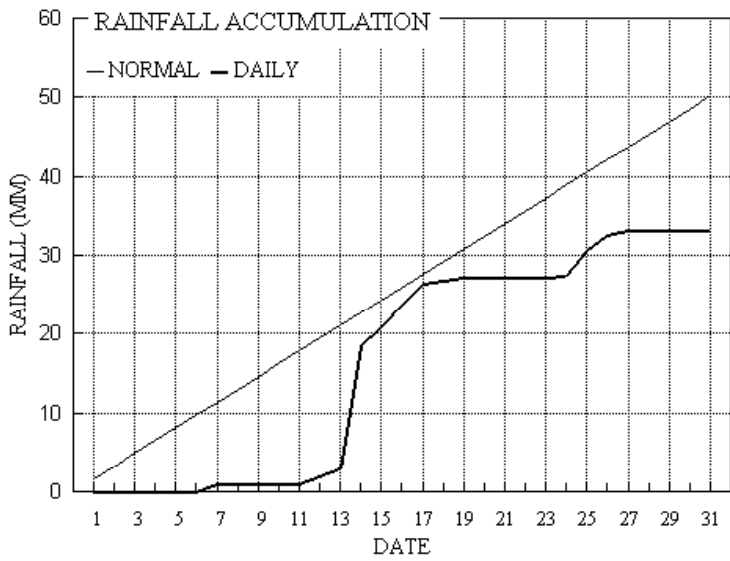
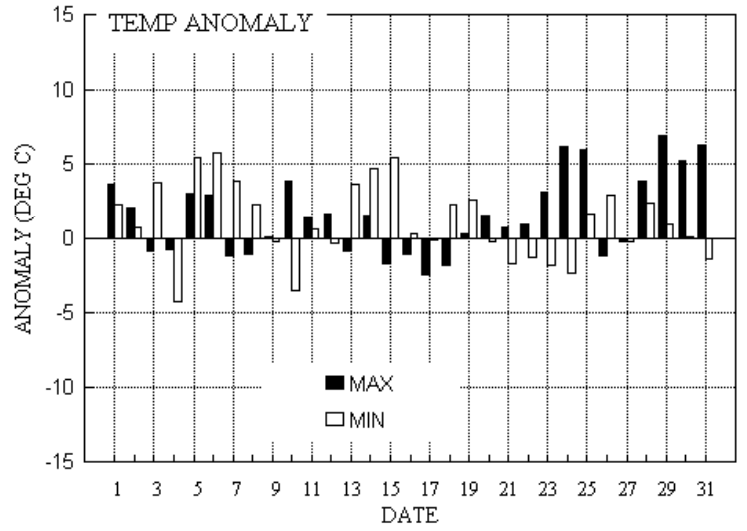
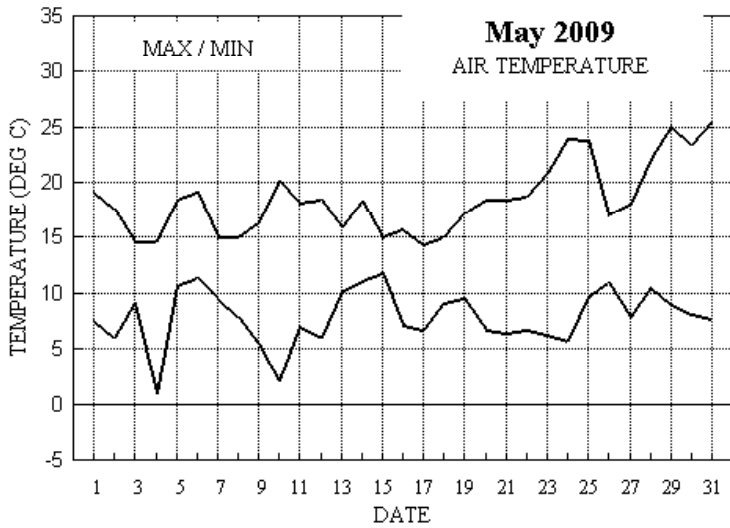
**From the 14<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> :** Daily anomalies for max were in the range +1.7° to -2.5°, and for min +5.4° to -1.7°. The 14<sup>th</sup> was wet, and further rain also fell on each day to the 19<sup>th</sup>. Not very sunny too, the best day being the 21<sup>st</sup>, but this only managed 50% of the maximum. Winds were generally S'ly or SW'ly, moderate or fresh, except for a light and variable 14<sup>th</sup>.

**From the 23<sup>rd</sup> to the 31<sup>st</sup> :** This period was characterized by a split warm spell, with anomalies for daily max of around +6° on the 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>. Anomalies for min fluctuated between +2.9° on the 26<sup>th</sup> to -2.3° on the 24<sup>th</sup>. There was some rain between the 25<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, otherwise this period was dry. Not a great deal of sun from the 25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>, but the 24<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> all had over 80% of the maximum. Winds were light and variable at first, becoming fresh W'ly on the 26<sup>th</sup>, decreasing light or moderate on 28<sup>th</sup> and veering NE'ly on 29<sup>th</sup>.

Table 1. Mean anomalies (max, min, rain, sun) for specified periods.

1 <sup>st</sup> to the 10 <sup>th</sup>				11 <sup>th</sup> to the 20 <sup>th</sup>				21 <sup>st</sup> to the 31 <sup>st</sup>			
+1.2°	+1.6°	24 %	91 %	-0.2°	+1.9°	160 %	89 %	+3.4°	-0.1°	31 %	156 %

# Wokingham Climatological Graphs for May 2009



Month: May 2009

Date	Max C	Min C	Rain mm	Grass Min	30cm C	100cm C	Sun hrs	Frost hrs	pp09 mbar	Af Gf	Sf Sl	Th Ha	Ic Fg	Vec mean ddd ff sp	Max gust ddd gg HHhh	High hr ddd ff HH	Rain hrs						
1	19.1	7.6	0.0	2.0	12.2	10.9	9.1	0.0	1023.2	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	229	4.9	5.2	239	18	1459	241	9	14	0.0	
2	17.6	6.0	tr	-1.1	12.7	11.0	7.4	0.0	1029.6	0 1 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	252	3.9	4.3	223	13	1721	233	7	17	0.0	
3	14.6	9.1	0.0	4.5	12.9	11.1	7.2	0.0	1027.2	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	303	4.5	5.8	358	19	1114	305	9	09	0.0	
4	14.7	1.0	tr	-2.7	12.4	11.2	0.8	0.0	1029.0	0 1 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	248	5.9	6.2	258	22	1706	254	10	15	0.0	
5	18.5	10.7	0.0	8.4	12.3	11.3	3.0	0.0	1023.3	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	254	8.6	8.7	240	32	1648	253	14	16	0.0	
6	19.1	11.4	tr	9.6	12.7	11.3	4.2	0.0	1019.2	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	251	9.1	9.2	257	23	0143	257	12	01	0.0	
7	15.0	9.5	0.9	7.4	13.1	11.3	0.4	0.0	1015.3	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	218	8.4	8.5	201	23	1827	210	12	16	1.3	
8	15.1	7.9	0.1	6.9	13.0	11.4	5.9	0.0	1010.4	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	235	8.2	8.5	258	31	1147	243	13	12	0.2	
9	16.3	5.4	0.0	0.5	12.7	11.5	2.7	0.0	1017.0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	227	4.6	4.9	260	17	1157	231	8	14	0.0	
10	20.1	2.1	0.0	-2.5	12.7	11.6	10.8	0.0	1019.4	0 1 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	63	3.5	4.3	26	18	2235	69	7	17	0.0	
11	18.2	7.0	0.0	4.0	13.1	11.6	14.8	0.0	1022.2	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	44	8.8	8.9	35	27	1945	58	11	13	0.0	
12	18.5	6.1	0.9	3.5	13.2	11.7	5.9	0.0	1021.4	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	41	8.7	8.8	57	28	1346	51	11	13	2.8	
13	15.9	10.1	1.0	9.9	13.4	11.8	0.0	0.0	1014.4	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	62	3.9	4.6	50	16	0405	26	7	00	5.4	
14	18.3	11.1	15.5	11.0	13.3	11.9	0.6	0.0	1008.9	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	53	1.6	2.5	65	12	2118	22	4	18	5.1	
15	15.1	11.8	2.5	10.9	13.8	11.9	0.4	0.0	1001.6	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	212	6.4	6.8	251	23	1812	194	11	13	1.6	
16	15.8	7.2	2.8	3.4	13.6	12.0	6.0	0.0	1003.6	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	201	8.8	9.1	194	32	1420	207	15	11	0.9	
17	14.4	6.8	2.8	2.9	13.4	12.1	3.9	0.0	1004.4	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	188	7.0	8.3	197	27	1542	198	14	15	1.5	
18	15.1	9.2	0.4	6.4	13.2	12.1	6.4	0.0	1011.4	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	210	9.5	9.5	212	29	1335	213	14	12	0.3	
19	17.2	9.5	0.4	7.7	13.3	12.2	5.5	0.0	1016.7	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	204	7.8	8.0	188	30	1357	208	14	14	0.1	
20	18.4	6.7	0.0	1.1	13.4	12.2	7.5	0.0	1020.8	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	206	5.5	5.6	232	16	0750	200	9	14	0.0	
21	18.5	6.4	0.0	1.9	13.6	12.2	8.0	0.0	1014.8	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	253	5.4	5.8	268	21	1123	257	9	12	0.0	
22	18.7	6.8	0.0	3.0	13.8	12.3	7.6	0.0	1017.5	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	245	5.5	5.7	257	18	1530	257	8	12	0.0	
23	20.9	6.3	0.0	2.7	13.9	12.3	11.1	0.0	1018.4	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	191	3.0	3.8	202	19	0918	144	8	08	0.0	
24	24.0	5.8	0.1	1.5	14.1	12.4	15.2	0.0	1020.5	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	35	1.0	2.9	31	11	0801	31	5	09	0.1	
25	23.8	9.7	3.2	5.8	15.0	12.5	3.3	0.0	1013.4	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	163	0.3	3.4	23	25	0845	272	6	23	3.0	
26	17.0	11.0	1.9	10.3	15.6	12.7	7.1	0.0	1013.4	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	278	7.8	8.4	295	27	1354	262	13	16	2.3	
27	18.0	7.9	0.7	4.9	15.0	12.9	0.4	0.0	1023.0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	228	7.9	8.3	207	28	1156	209	12	11	2.3	
28	22.1	10.5	0.0	10.9	14.7	13.0	2.8	0.0	1029.8	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	282	2.9	3.8	273	13	1143	288	6	07	0.0	
29	25.1	9.0	0.0	5.1	15.2	13.1	13.6	0.0	1031.9	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	71	4.3	4.6	64	21	1548	71	9	15	0.0	
30	23.4	8.2	0.0	3.0	15.6	13.2	15.5	0.0	1026.5	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	65	4.7	5.0	65	22	1047	86	9	10	0.0	
31	25.5	7.7	0.0	2.7	15.9	13.4	13.7	0.0	1026.3	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	32	4.7	4.9	25	20	1433	35	8	14	0.0	
Total			33.2				200.8	0.0															26.9
Mean	18.5	7.9		4.7	13.6	12.0	6.48	0.0	1018.5					231	2.6	6.3							
Anom	+1.5	+0.9	66%		+0.5	+0.2	114%																+2.6
Daily mean		13.2																					
Anom		+1.2																					

Number of days with:

Air frost = 0      Ground frost = 3      Nil sun = 1  
Snow falling = 0      Snow lying = 0      Thunder = 0  
Hail=>5mm = 0      Hail<5mm or ice = 0      Fog at 09GMT = 0

## Abbreviations.

Max/min = highest and lowest air temperature at 1.2m in 24 hour period ending at 09 GMT

Rain = total rainfall and melted snowfall in 24 hour period ending at 09 GMT, millimetres. (Tr = trace, &lt;.05mm).

Grass min = Lowest overnight temperature at grass tip level.

Sun = hours of bright sunshine, measured electronically. Frost = Number of hours with air temp below 0 deg C.

pp09 = Air pressure corrected to mean sea level at 0900 GMT, millibars.

Af = Air frost. Gf = Ground frost. Sf = Snow falling. Sl = Snow lying at 09 GMT.

Th = Thunder. Ha = Hail =&gt;5mm. Ic = Hail &lt;5mm or ice. Fg = Fog at 09 GMT.

Vec mean = 24 hour mean wind vector, ddd = direction in degrees from true north, ff = speed in knots.

Sp = 24 hour mean wind speed in knots.

Max gust = Highest gust in 24 hours, gg = speed in knots, HHhh = Time, hours and minutes, GMT.

High hr = Highest hourly mean wind, HH = hour commencing. Rain Hrs = Duration of rain, 24 hours to 09 GMT. Excludes snow/hail.

30cm and 100 cm are earth temperatures at those depths, read at 09 GMT.

Anom = Departure from 1971-2000 climatological average.

All temperatures in degrees Celsius.

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Observations at 0900 GMT for May 2009

Date	VV	N	dd	ff	gg	TT	Td	RH	r	PPP	a	ppp	ww	W1	W2	Nh	Cl	h	Cr	Ch	shs	NChs	hNChs	Date	Remarks
1	67	1	20	06	11	17.0	9.6	62	7.1	1023.2	1	006	03	0	0	1	8	5	0	0	81825			1	1Sc35 Cu med
2	63	5	28	03	11	12.8	6.5	66	6.0	1029.6	1	007	01	1	1	5	5	5	0	1	85622			2	1Ci80 COTRA
3	86	2	30	09	17	12.5	2.8	51	4.5	1027.2	3	004	01	5	1	2	1	6	0	1	82830			3	1Ci80 Cu hum
4	82	8	26	06	12	11.0	4.7	65	5.2	1029.0	8	006	03	2	2	1	1	5	7	7	81822	84465	88270	4	1Ac62 COTRA Cu hum
5	84	7	27	09	21	14.4	8.6	68	6.9	1023.3	1	003	02	2	2	7	5	3	2		87620	87070		5	/Ac65
6	73	7	26	09	18	14.4	8.7	68	7.1	1019.2	1	009	03	2	2	7	5	5	/	1	86620	87628		6	/Ci75
7	65	8	26	07	13	11.6	7.5	76	6.4	1015.3	1	010	50	5	2	8	5	4	/	/	81712	86615	88620	7	vv 40km NW CF in vcnty
8	58	8	25	11	22	7.9	4.5	79	5.2	1010.4	3	024	63	6	2	4	8	4	2	/	81715	83820	88530	8	2Sc25 Cu hum
9	70	7	24	06	11	10.8	5.2	68	5.6	1017.0	8	006	03	2	2	2	2	5	3	8	82820	87272		9	1Ac68 Cu med Halo 22° part
10	80	3	04	04	10	14.5	6.7	60	6.1	1019.4	0	003	03	0	0	1	1	6	8	1	81830	83080		10	1Ac60 1Ac65 COTRA Cu hum Ac cas
11	80	6	04	10	25	13.1	5.0	58	5.1	1022.2	1	005	03	1	1	1	1	6	0	1	81830	86075		11	Cu hum U/a cont
12	73	7	03	10	24	11.2	4.2	62	5.3	1021.4	8	008	03	2	2	7	5	5	/	/	87625			12	
13	18	8	06	04	10	11.3	10.3	93	7.7	1014.4	7	007	51	6	5	8	7	2	/	/	87704	88706		13	
14	56	7	07	03	08	15.1	10.9	76	8.0	1008.9	7	006	05	1	1	7	8	4	3	/	85815	87625		14	/Ac62
15	59	7	20	05	10	13.4	10.0	79	7.6	1001.6	8	004	05	2	2	7	8	4	3	/	84812	87625		15	/Ac62 Cu med
16	70	7	20	14	27	13.4	5.4	58	5.6	1003.6	3	010	15	6	2	3	8	6	0	1	82830	87072		16	2Sc50 Cu med jp all quads Halo 22°
17	35	8	18	07	18	10.3	7.9	85	6.6	1004.4	6	016	64	6	2	6	8	4	2	/	81712	83818	88535	17	4Sc30 Cu med
18	70	7	22	09	24	13.6	7.5	66	6.2	1011.4	1	009	80	8	1	7	8	5	0	2	83822	85645		18	1Ci72 Cu med
19	65	6	18	09	20	14.8	6.9	59	6.2	1016.7	4	000	15	2	2	4	9	5	6	3	82925	83828		19	2Ac57 1Ci70 2Ci75 jpS VV40k ex S
20	80	5	22	09	16	15.3	5.7	53	5.7	1020.8	0	003	03	2	2	3	2	6	7	1	83830			20	1Ac62 2Ac65 1Ci72 Cu med
21	81	3	25	07	15	14.1	6.5	60	6.1	1014.8	8	007	03	1	1	3	8	5	0	1	83825			21	1Sc40 1Ci78 Cu med
22	83	1	26	08	15	14.5	6.1	57	5.7	1017.5	1	005	03	0	0	1	8	6	0	1	81830			22	1Sc50 1Ci78 COTRA Cu hum
23	84	2	16	08	17	17.8	5.4	44	5.6	1018.4	3	004	03	0	0	1	0	9	3	1	81365			23	2Ci80 COTRA
24	84	1	05	05	11	16.7	7.4	54	6.5	1020.5	0	004	02	0	0	1	0	9	8	0	81362			24	Ac cas
25	75	8	04	06	25	14.7	8.8	68	7.0	1013.4	5	049	21	6	2	8	0	9	7	/	82358	85362	88465	25	
26	82	7	30	08	16	12.4	6.1	65	5.8	1013.4	2	030	01	6	2	7	5	6	7	/	81640	85656	87465	26	2Sc50 /Ac60
27	57	8	21	08	15	10.5	8.3	87	6.7	1023.0	8	008	65	6	2	7	5	4	2	/	81712	83715	86520	27	8Ns45
28	84	7	30	06	13	17.8	11.7	67	8.3	1029.8	1	019	01	1	1	7	5	4	/	/	82618	87622		28	
29	66	2	08	05	11	21.2	12.7	58	8.9	1031.9	8	003	03	0	0	2	2	6	0	1	82830			29	1Ci80 COTRA Cu med
30	82	1	08	06	14	19.8	8.3	48	6.6	1026.5	8	008	02	0	0	0	0	9	0	1	81080			30	COTRA
31	72	1	03	05	10	19.3	10.5	56	7.4	1026.3	8	004	03	0	0	1	1	6	0	1	81830			31	1Ci80 Cu hum

Mean vis = 26.3 km

Mean cloud = 5.3 67%

Mean wind speed = 7.2 kn

Mean gust = 16 kn

Mean TT = 14.1 °C

Mean TdTd = 7.4 °C

Mean RH = 65.0 %

Mean r = 6.4 g/kg

Mean PPP = 1018.5 mbar

VV = Visibility code (Code FM12-4377)

N = Total cloud amount, oktas

dd = Direction from which wind is blowing, tens of degrees true

ff = 10 minute mean wind speed, knots

gg = Highest gust in past hour, knots

TT = Air temperature at 1.2 m, deg Celsius

TdTd = Dew point temperature at 1.2 m, deg Celsius

RH = Relative humidity at 1.2 m

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ww = Present weather code (Code FM12-4677)

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covers past 3 hours.

Nh = Amount of low cloud present, oktas

Cl = Type of low cloud (Code Fm12-0513)

h = Height of low cloud (Code FM12-1600)

Cm = Type of medium cloud (Code FM12-0515)

Ch = Type of high cloud (Code FM12-0509)

8 groups. 8 = indicator for cloud detail

N = Amount of cloud, oktas

C = Type of cloud (FM12-0500)

hshs= Height of cloud (FM12-1677)

Remarks : COTRA = persistent condensation

trails present.

Weather observations. Emmbrook, Wokingham, Berkshire.

Observations at 1500 GMT for May 2009

Date	VV	N	dd	ff	gg	TT	Td	RH	r	PPP	a	ppp	ww	W1	W2	Nh	Cl	h	Cr	Ch	shs	NChs	hNChs	Date	Remarks
1	82	2	24	10	18	18.9	6.1	43	5.8	1023.4	4	000	02	0	0	2	1	6	5	1			82845	1	1Ac65 1Ci80 COTRA Cu hum
2	81	7	28	03	10	16.3	3.5	42	4.9	1028.1	7	010	02	1	1	5	4	7	0	1	81850	85650	87078	2	COTRA Cu hum
3	86	6	32	09	15	13.5	0.2	40	3.7	1027.5	2	003	02	2	2	3	4	7	1	8	82850	85272	3	2Sc56 2As68 Cu med	
4	82	8	25	08	17	11.9	4.1	59	5.0	1026.1	6	011	21	6	2	8	8	6	/	/	81832	86635	88640	4	Cu hum
5	84	7	27	11	24	16.3	7.5	56	6.4	1021.2	6	008	02	2	2	7	8	6	/	/	81832	87635	5	Cu hum	
6	84	7	25	11	22	17.3	8.3	56	6.8	1017.7	6	014	03	1	1	7	8	6	/	/	83835	86640	6	Cu hum/med	
7	80	7	21	08	15	14.1	9.7	75	7.5	1012.9	8	019	25	8	2	7	8	4	/	1	82818	86640	85075	7	COTRA Cu med
8	81	5	25	11	28	13.9	3.0	48	4.6	1013.3	2	017	14	1	1	5	8	6	0	0	83845	83656	8	Cu med	
9	83	7	23	08	16	15.5	3.1	43	4.5	1015.1	5	003	01	2	2	3	4	7	0	8	81850	83650	87272	9	Cu hum Halo 22° part
10	78	6	14	05	12	19.4	5.1	39	5.5	1017.7	8	012	02	2	2	1	4	7	0	1	81850	86080	10	1Sc56 1Ac65 COTRA U/a cont Cu hum Sc Cugen	
11	82	5	05	11	25	17.1	1.9	36	4.6	1021.2	5	002	02	2	2	1	1	7	0	1	81856	85075	11	Absent vv&cld est	
12	84	4	06	10	27	15.8	-1.5	30	3.3	1018.9	5	006	02	1	1	0	0	9	0	1			84075	12	Absent vv&cld est
13	20	8	07	05	13	12.9	11.9	93	8.6	1012.9	7	010	50	5	2	8	7	2	/	/	86705	88710	13	Absent vv&cld est	
14	58	8	02	02	06	17.1	9.8	62	7.6	1006.6	7	013	05	2	2	8	8	5	/	/	83828	88640	14		
15	75	8	21	08	19	12.6	7.3	70	6.3	1001.4	2	004	02	8	2	8	8	5	/	/	85820	88640	15	Absent vv&cld est	
16	65	6	20	15	33	14.9	3.1	45	4.7	1006.5	2	016	15	8	2	3	8	6	6	1	82845	83075	16	2Sc56 1Ac62 Cu con jpS-W-N vv30k ex p	
17	75	7	19	13	25	13.0	8.5	74	6.9	1005.6	0	001	25	8	2	3	4	4	3	/	81815	85820	17	3Sc40 /Ac60 Cu fra/med jp NW&S	
18	68	7	22	14	27	14.1	6.5	60	6.0	1013.5	1	011	25	8	2	7	8	5	/	/	83828	87650	18	Cu med jp N, W&S	
19	80	5	21	15	30	15.9	5.1	49	5.5	1016.0	7	004	02	2	2	5	8	6	0	0	84840		19	1Sc50 Cu med	
20	81	7	20	08	16	17.3	6.6	49	6.2	1018.2	7	015	02	2	2	2	6	7	1		82842	87075	20	1Ac62 2Ac65 COTRA U/a+L/a cont+parhelia	
21	82	4	28	08	16	16.4	4.3	45	5.1	1013.9	7	004	02	1	1	3	2	7	6	1		83850	21	1Ac57 2Ci78 COTRA Cu med	
22	86	6	23	05	14	17.9	4.9	42	5.3	1017.4	7	003	03	1	1	5	8	6	3	1	83848	83656	22	2Ac58 /Ci78 Cu hum	
23	88	7	21	02	06	19.3	1.8	31	4.4	1015.5	8	021	01	2	2	7	0	9	8	1	81362	86366	23	2Ac64 /Ci75 1Ac cas	
24	83	1	08	02	08	23.2	8.4	39	6.0	1018.9	7	014	02	0	0	1	1	7	0	0		81856	24	Cu hum dd var 31-09	
25	78	5	22	04	10	23.1	12.4	51	9.4	1012.8	6	018	03	1	1	1	8	6	5	6	81842	84275	25	1Sc50 2Ac62	
26	80	4	27	12	26	16.5	2.0	37	4.8	1017.8	1	020	15	1	1	2	8	7	6	0	82856	83358	26	1Sc56 Cu med jp SW vv60k ex p	
27	84	8	22	09	19	14.1	11.4	83	8.3	1019.9	6	014	21	6	2	8	5	4	/	/	82712	86616	88620	27	
28	84	7	34	05	09	21.2	11.6	54	8.4	1031.0	4	000	02	2	2	7	8	6	/	/	82835	87640	28	Cu hum	
29	81	1	08	08	19	23.7	10.7	44	7.7	1029.1	6	014	01	0	0	1	2	7	0	1	81850		29	1Ci80 COTRA	
30	83	1	07	08	17	22.7	5.4	33	5.4	1024.7	7	006	02	0	0	1	1	7	0	0	81856		30	Cu hum	
31	81	2	04	08	19	24.1	11.4	45	8.4	1023.8	7	014	02	0	0	2	2	7	0	1	82850		31	1Ci80 COTRA Cu med	

Mean vis = 37.1 km

Mean cloud = 5.6 70%

Mean wind speed = 8.3 kn

Mean gust = 18 kn

Mean TT = 17.1 °C

Mean Td = 6.3 °C

Mean RH = 50.7 %

Mean r = 6.1 g/kg

Mean PPP = 1017.7 mbar

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May 2009	T mn	Tx	Time	Tn	Time	RHmn	RH x	Time	RH n	Time	Tdmn	r mn	r x	Time	r n	Time	p mn	p x	Time	p n	Time	R tot	
1	13.66	19.3	1355	7.4	449	71.0	95.3	532	31.3	1635	7.95	6.60	8.1	1318	3.6	1638	1023.60	1026.9	2359	1020.9	4	0.0	
2	12.24	17.6	1413	5.8	433	65.2	93.6	530	36.7	1614	5.27	5.46	7.2	17	4.3	1603	1028.28	1029.8	811	1026.7	5	0.0	
3	10.52	14.8	1306	2.9	2359	55.9	81.8	2359	30.5	1724	1.56	4.23	5.8	649	2.9	1724	1027.80	1030.0	2244	1026.4	348	0.0	
4	8.80	12.7	1206	1.0	357	71.1	92.7	403	50.6	1337	3.58	4.90	6.9	2357	3.7	238	1026.97	1030.0	144	1022.4	2337	0.0	
5	13.91	18.7	1149	11.2	325	67.5	82.7	3	48.6	1122	7.80	6.52	7.6	1010	5.4	1936	1021.61	1023.5	852	1019.1	2357	0.0	
6	14.32	19.1	1412	11.1	2353	67.1	82.8	2305	42.3	1357	8.16	6.70	8.0	1123	5.7	1357	1017.82	1019.6	1104	1015.8	2344	0.0	
7	11.93	15.1	1539	9.2	230	76.2	86.0	2122	64.8	1018	7.86	6.60	7.9	1419	5.6	333	1013.19	1016.0	9	1009.1	2213	0.0	
8	10.78	15.3	1528	6.3	2241	66.1	90.0	2356	38.0	1317	4.35	5.19	6.3	248	3.8	1333	1012.11	1017.9	2321	1008.0	629	1.0	
9	10.77	16.0	1409	5.2	500	66.0	91.0	509	36.8	1422	4.08	5.07	5.9	920	4.0	1428	1016.68	1018.6	2359	1014.9	1409	0.0	
10	12.00	20.1	1527	2.2	429	63.3	94.7	544	32.7	1416	4.35	5.16	7.3	1010	4.1	429	1018.92	1021.0	2321	1017.3	1637	0.0	
11	11.67	17.9	1319	6.1	2359	56.4	76.9	444	31.6	1517	2.84	4.62	6.3	1225	3.7	1517	1021.71	1023.5	2235	1020.6	1347	0.0	
12	11.56	18.3	1318	6.0	33	57.4	72.3	33	27.3	1439	2.97	4.69	6.7	1210	3.2	1442	1020.25	1023.1	14	1017.5	2359	0.0	
13	11.69	13.5	1323	9.8	545	88.7	95.0	2106	68.4	327	9.83	7.59	9.0	1323	5.5	2	1013.82	1017.6	1	1010.9	2352	2.0	
14	14.23	18.2	1357	10.9	356	80.1	93.8	2327	58.6	1425	10.66	8.00	9.0	2124	7.2	1146	1007.66	1011.2	0	1003.7	2352	11.7	
15	11.78	15.2	1123	6.9	2353	82.3	94.5	59	64.2	933	8.79	7.16	8.9	6	5.0	2350	1002.32	1005.2	2352	1000.7	1137	4.3	
16	11.71	16.2	1355	7.1	0	66.8	92.0	536	42.3	1607	5.36	5.62	7.5	631	4.5	1614	1005.69	1009.4	2048	1002.3	614	0.6	
17	10.97	14.4	1726	6.7	134	76.0	90.1	152	55.6	1139	6.82	6.19	7.3	1409	5.1	1145	1006.69	1009.1	20	1004.2	829	4.9	
18	12.04	15.3	1034	9.0	411	71.5	86.3	1	51.7	1715	6.87	6.17	7.6	1113	5.3	1719	1012.67	1017.2	2354	1008.7	12	1.1	
19	12.72	17.3	1449	8.2	2359	67.3	90.4	514	43.9	1659	6.44	5.98	7.3	1005	4.8	1733	1017.27	1020.2	2336	1015.8	1346	0.2	
20	13.01	18.5	1605	6.4	343	65.7	94.2	458	39.9	1742	6.16	5.85	7.2	713	4.8	1822	1019.06	1021.1	659	1016.8	2254	0.0	
21	12.82	18.6	1239	6.1	405	64.1	94.6	504	32.7	1343	5.41	5.60	7.6	742	3.9	1824	1015.05	1017.0	3	1013.5	1639	0.0	
22	13.07	18.7	1440	6.6	402	65.9	90.4	428	40.3	1432	6.38	5.93	6.8	1005	5.1	1419	1017.51	1019.7	2158	1015.7	44	0.0	
23	14.51	20.9	1550	6.3	417	58.5	94.5	503	25.0	1626	5.00	5.44	7.6	644	3.5	1448	1017.64	1019.6	48	1015.2	1504	0.0	
24	16.06	24.1	1453	5.8	407	62.0	94.4	525	34.2	1454	7.86	6.57	8.3	1855	5.3	407	1019.45	1021.1	715	1018.0	55	0.0	
25	17.01	23.9	1449	9.6	418	70.4	89.6	423	47.1	1451	11.32	8.40	11.8	1846	6.5	407	1014.37	1019.8	46	1009.0	2359	1.1	
26	13.21	17.2	1355	9.0	2355	63.9	90.8	630	32.0	1356	5.90	5.88	9.6	0	3.7	1404	1015.69	1023.8	2300	1008.5	55	2.0	
27	11.99	16.2	1728	7.7	123	82.2	88.6	909	75.2	1729	9.06	7.17	9.2	1603	5.3	123	1022.48	1025.0	2356	1019.5	1556	2.7	
28	17.10	22.3	1255	11.7	2357	72.4	93.6	2359	50.3	1256	11.81	8.45	9.8	1253	7.7	1332	1029.67	1032.5	2356	1024.8	0	0.0	
29	16.88	25.2	1300	8.9	353	65.8	95.2	514	38.9	1929	9.69	7.46	11.1	838	4.5	1930	1030.24	1032.5	7	1027.6	2327	0.0	
30	15.95	23.4	1310	8.3	405	58.5	93.0	458	27.9	1613	6.62	6.01	8.4	655	4.6	1617	1026.08	1028.0	18	1024.0	1639	0.0	
31	17.35	25.7	1508	7.8	421	63.8	93.8	511	35.1	1555	9.69	7.39	10.1	1248	6.0	421	1025.49	1026.8	726	1023.3	1600	0.0	
Total																							31.6
Mean	13.11	18.37		7.32		68.0	90.15		43.04		6.79	6.21	8.00		4.78		1018.31	1021.19		1015.51			
Max	17.35	25.68		11.73		88.7	95.30		75.20		11.81	8.45	11.78		7.74		1030.24	1032.52		1027.57			
Min	8.80	12.68		1.03		55.9	72.30		25.02		1.56	4.23	5.84		2.86		1002.32	1005.23		1000.66			

Wokingham Automatic Weather Station  
 AWS samples taken every 0.5 seconds  
 x and n refer to maximum and minimum respectively

**Readings taken at Wokingham Climatological Station, Emmbrook, Berkshire**  
**Lat 51.425 N, Long 0.853 W, NGR (SU) 798701**  
**Altitude 45 m ASL.**

Tmn = 00 to 24 GMT mean air temperature at 1.2 m, deg C  
 RHmn = 00-24 GMT mean relative humidity at 1.2 m, percent  
 Tdmn = 00-24 GMT mean dew point at 1.2 m, deg C  
 rmn = 00-24 GMT mean humidity mixing ratio, g/kg  
 pmn = 00-24 GMT mean air pressure reduced to mean sea level, mbar  
 Rtot = 00-24 GMT rainfall total from AWS tipping bucket raingauge, mm  
 Time = hours and minutes in GMT of extreme values

# WOKINGHAM METEOROLOGICAL DATA

Wokingham Climatological Station, Emmbrook, Berkshire.

Lat 51°25'N 00°51'W NGR (SU)798701 Altitude 46m ASL

## Seasonal Means and Totals

SPRING 2009

Temperature (°C)

Rank in the past 128 years

Mean maximum	15.7	(+2.1)	6 <sup>th</sup> highest
Mean minimum	5.2	(+0.5)	17 <sup>th</sup> highest
Daily mean	10.5	(+1.4)	6 <sup>th</sup> highest
Rainfall total (mm)	92.1	( 63 %)	17 <sup>th</sup> lowest
Sunshine total (hours)	565.5	(126 %)	
N <sup>o</sup> of:			
Dry days	56 (+5)		Wet days 22 (-6)
Days with: Air frost	8 (-3)	Ground frost 32 (-6)	Snow falling 0 (-4)      Snow lying 0 (0)
Thunder 2 (-3)	Hail ≥5mm 0	Small hail/ice 5	Fog @09 GMT 1 (-1)      Nil sun 6
Air pressure MSL : Mean @09 GMT (mbar)	1016.1	(+0.5)	

Departure from 1971 to 2000 average shown in brackets.

Notes:

**Very Mild. Dry. Sunny.**

**Temperature:** Yet another spring season with temperatures well above the long-term median, joining all the springs since 1996 in having a mean temperature in the top 30 % of ranked values since 1882. However, this season's mean is 0.4° below the record set two years ago. The mean max is also only highest since 2007, being 0.5° below that value. The mean min is likewise 0.5° below that of 2007, but is 0.2° below the 2008 value as well. Compared to average, April with +2.1° had the highest positive anomaly, and March with +0.8°, the smallest. The season's highest max of 25.5° on the 31<sup>st</sup> May is close to the median. The lowest max, 7.9° on the 5<sup>th</sup> March, is 3.5° above the median and is highest since 2003. The lowest min, -3.2° on 6<sup>th</sup> March, is 1.0° above the median and is highest since 2002. The highest min, 11.8° on the 15<sup>th</sup> May, is 0.7° below the median, and is lowest since 1984. The mean grass min, 1.9°, is lowest since 2005, but the lowest grass min is 1.3° above average. Earth temperature at 30 cm depth, mean 10.6°, is 0.5° above average, and at 1 m depth, mean 9.6° is close to average. The number of hours with air frost, 38.0, is 16.4 below average. All the air frosts were in March, the last on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Ground frosts continued until the 10<sup>th</sup> May. **Rainfall:** This has been a dry spring, with 55.5 mm less rainfall than the average for the past 34 years. The total of 92.1 mm makes this the 7<sup>th</sup> spring in 34 years to have less than 100 mm of rain. The wettest day was the 14<sup>th</sup> May when 15.5 mm fell. There were only 3 days having 5 mm or more, 7 fewer than average. The total duration of measurable rain was 83.5 hours, 43.1 hours less than average. The longest in any rainfall day was 10.6 hours on 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Each month had 2 dry spells, length/final date : 11/1 Mar, 9/22 Mar, 9/5 Apr, 6/23 Apr, 9/6 May, 5/24 May. The highest rainfall rate was 64 mm/hr on the 15<sup>th</sup> April. Small hail fell on the 4<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March and the 27<sup>th</sup> April. No large hail was observed. **Sunshine:** This has been a sunny spring, apart from 2007 it was sunniest since 1997. May had the most sunshine hours with 200.8, but April was a close second with 188.6 hours, and the 176.1 hours in March is nearly 50 % above average. The sunniest day was the 30<sup>th</sup> May with 15.5 hours, a new record for the season. Overall there were 26 days with <3 hours, 47 with =>6 hours, 27 with =>9 hours, 9 with =>12 hours and 2 with =>15 hours. The period 15<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> March was particularly sunny with a total of 84.4 hours, a mean of 10.5 hours per day. Also, the 7 days to the 24<sup>th</sup> April gave 74.3 hours, mean 10.6 hours per day. At the other extreme, the 4 days to the 12<sup>th</sup> April produced only 0.1 hours total. **Wind:** The overall mean wind speed was 6.7 mph, 0.4 mph below average. The windiest day was the 8<sup>th</sup> March, mean speed 12.8 mph, lowest for the season in the past 22 years. The highest gust of 46 mph was also on the 8<sup>th</sup> March. The least windy day was the 20<sup>th</sup> April, mean 2.8 mph, and there were 2567 minutes (42.78 hr) with a mean speed of 0.5 mph or less. Daily mean direction/number of days: N,4 NE,16 E,4 SE,2 S,15 SW,28 W,16 NW,7. **Humidity:** The overall mean relative humidity was 70.5 %. The lowest value for the season was 25 % on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May. The mean water vapour content per kg of air was 5.7 g at 0900 GMT and 5.3 g at 1500 GMT. **Pressure:** The season's highest pressure was 1036.6 mbar on the 17<sup>th</sup> March, and the lowest was 981.6 mbar on the 4<sup>th</sup> March.

**March:** Mild and very sunny with rainfall below normal. Mean daily temperature range of 10.2° 2<sup>nd</sup> highest since 1961. Driest March for 6 years.

**April:** Dry, sunny and very mild. 5<sup>th</sup> mildest in 128 years. Lowest max highest since 1960. Lowest min 6<sup>th</sup> highest in 106 years. First April since 1987 to have no air frost.

**May:** Warm, dry with sunshine above average. Lowest max highest since 1999. Daily sunshine of 15.5 hours on 30<sup>th</sup> highest for May since before 1979.

Month	Mean Max	Anom	Mean Min	Anom	Rain mm	Anom	Sun hrs	Anom	Wind Mn mph	Max gust	Mean pressure	Anom
March	12.7	+2.1	2.5	-0.4	30.1	64 %	176.1	149 %	7.1	46	1016.0	+0.4
April	16.0	+2.9	5.3	+1.2	28.8	59 %	188.6	121 %	5.6	37	1013.8	-1.5
May	18.5	+1.5	7.9	+0.9	33.2	66 %	200.8	114 %	7.3	37	1018.5	+2.6

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