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SEPTEMBER HAS BEEN AN UNUSUALLY DRY MONTH WITH ONLY 73% OF ITS NORMAL RAIN. HOWEVER, THE NUMBER OF DAYS ON WHICH RAIN FELL WAS SLIGHTLY UP ON AVERAGE AT 17. THE WETTEST DAY WAS THE 6TH WITH 10.5 MM OUT OF THE MONTH'S TOTAL OF 49 MM.

SUNSHINE HAS BEEN 25% ABOVE EXPECTATION AT 141 HOURS, WITH ONLY TWO DAYS TOTALLY WITHOUT SUN, THE MAXIMUM DAILY TOTAL BEING 9.6 HOURS ON THE 13TH. TEMPERATURES HAVE BEEN ABOUT NORMAL FOR SEPTEMBER, RANGING FROM A MAXIMUM OF 22.9C ON THE 1ST TO 1.6C ON THE 29TH, THOUGH THE TOTAL OF FOUR GROUND FROSTS WAS SOME TWO AND A HALF TIMES EXPECTATION. CLEAR NIGHTS LED TO EARLY MORNING FROST, AND THE END OF THE MONTH WAS SUNNY, THOUGH COOL. NO LONG-STANDING RECORDS WERE BROKEN.