SUMMARY FOR JULY 1994.

July 1994 was an excellent summer month. Eleven days were "hot" with air maxima above 25C or 77F, the same as in the glorious summer of 1976, but 9 fewer than in 1983 and 4 fewer than in 1984, both of which were outstanding July's. The highest daily temperature was 30C or 86F on the 12th. In all 27 days produced temperatures above 21C or 70F including every day from the 7th to 25th inclusive.. The mean maximum of 24C or 75F was the second highest on record behind the 26C or 79F of 1983.

Sunshine was 30% above the 30-year mean at 239 hours, also the best since 1990 with its 290 hours which was the highest on record. In all 15 days produced more than 9 hours of bright sunshine, the same as in 1969 and 1984, but 2 fewer than the record 17 days in both 1989 and 1990.

Rainfall was around half expectation at 28mm or 1.1 ins, the lowest since 1990. Rain fell on just 9 days with a fifth of the entire total occurring in the thunderstorm of the 31st.

After three poor summers events now seem to be returning to the pattern set in the 80's