

SIGNIFICANT FEATURES OF THE MONTH:

APRIL SHOWERS!! WE CAN EXPECT RAIN ON AVERAGE ON 14 DAYS OF THE MONTH AMOUNTING TO 53.6MM.

FROST IS STILL FAIRLY COMMON AVERAGING 4 NIGHTS. THE WORST MONTH WAS IN 1968 WITH 10 FROSTS IN THE AIR, THE MOST SEVERE TO MINUS 5.4C.

SNOW OR SLEET CAN STILL BE EXPECTED ON 2 DAYS. IN 1975 IT OCCURRED ON 9 DAYS AND IN 1983 SNOW LAY ON 2 MORNINGS.

THUNDER IS ALSO QUITE COMMON, BEING POSSIBLE ON 6 OUT OF 10 APRILS. IN 1983 AND 1994 IT OCCURRED ON 4 OCCASIONS.

GUSTS TO GALE FORCE CAN BE EXPECTED ON 28 OCCASIONS. IN 1985 THERE WERE 82 GUSTS, THE HIGHEST TO 37 KNOTS. 1990 SAW NO GALE FORCE GUSTS WHILST THE NIGHT OF 28TH APRIL 1994 SET A NEW RECORD FOR THE WARMEST APRIL NIGHT WITH A NIGHT MINIMUM NO LOWER THAN 11.7C.