

Bracknell Weather ~ Meteorological reports.

January 2004

January had 1 day with thunder (28th) and it occurred during snowfalling. There have been 12 January's in the last 32 years with at least one day of thunder, however this was the first time since 1994 that it has occurred with snow fall.

The notable snow storm on 28th (1715-1815h) when moderate snow fell, accompanied by thunder at 1715-1720hr. Snow first melted on relatively warm surfaces, but then froze during rapidly falling temperatures, with snow settling onto an icy surface making walking etc. difficult. At 2100hr just under 2cm of snow was lying with 100% cover. This had reduced to 1cm at 0900hr on 29th (100%).

There was a rapid temperature fall from 4.8c at 1715hr to -0.6c at 1815hr (fall of 5.4c in 1 hour). On the 31st there was a wind gust of 41.7 knots (48mph) and 4 clock hours of a mean wind speed above 20 knots.

The highest maximum of 11.4c (10th and 31st) was the lowest (equal with 2001) since 1987. The lowest maximum of 4.2c (29th) was the highest since 1990. The highest minimum 7.8c (11th) was the lowest since 1998 (equal with 2001) The lowest minimum -4.2c (29th) was the highest since 1999.

The Rainfall total of 85.8mm was the wettest since 2001 and the highest daily total of 11.8mm was the lowest since 2000.