MONTHLY WEATHER REVIEW - ARMIDALE NSW JANUARY 2023

January 2023 was a warm to very warm month with slightly below average rainfall.

The rainfall total of 81.4 millimetres was 20 mm less than the average with most of the rain falling in the last two weeks of the month. The highest daily fall was 21.8 mm on the 23rd.

After the unusually cool start to summer in December, temperatures during January were very close to normal with no notable extremes. Maximums reached 30.0 deg or higher on four days.

Thunderstorm activity was close to normal with storms on six days. No hail was observed with any of these storms.

Prevailing winds were light to moderate easterlies which is normal for January.

There were no noteworthy events.

JANUARY 2023 STATISTICS (long term averages in brackets)

Rainfall: 81.4 mm (101.2 mm)

Rain days: 14 (10)

Average maximum temp: 26.8 deg (26.7 deg) Average minimum temp: 12.5 deg (12.9 deg) Highest maximum temp: 31.6 deg on the 26th Lowest maximum temp: 20.3 deg on the 22nd Highest minimum temp: 16.9 deg on the 30th Lowest minimum temp: 8.9 deg on the 10th

Fine sunny days: 13 (15) Ideal weather days: 0 (1) Days with thunderstorms: 6 (7)

Days with frosts: 0 (0) Days with fogs: 2 (1)

Wind direction at airport at 3pm & number of days: E: 9, SE: 6, S: 6, W: 5, SW: 4, NW: 1

Average daily pan evaporation: 5.0 mm (5.2 mm)

Thunderstorm details:

4th: 3.00-3.30pm - thunder heard in north

9.00-11.00pm - moderate & slight storms from west

23rd: 9.50-10.40am - moderate storm from west - 21.8 mm rain

26th: 2.15-2.30pm - slight storm from west

6.55-7.15pm - thunder heard in north

27th: 12.00-12.30am - slight storm from west

4.50-8.30pm - intermittent thunder, slight storms

29th: 6.30-6.45pm - slight storm

30th: 3.10-5.30pm - slight storm from west

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