

MONTHLY WEATHER REVIEW - ARMIDALE NSW

JUNE 2020

June 2020 was a cool to cold cloudy month with light rainfall, cold frosty nights and light winds. The rainfall total of 35.6 millimetres was 19 mm below the average, all falls were light with the exception of 14.8 mm recorded on the 20th.

Temperatures were mostly close to normal with one notable extreme on the 23rd - see below. There were two major cold outbreaks on the 2nd and 23rd, but each of them was short lived. Details below.

Winds were mostly light westerlies, and there were 15 morning frosts, three of them severe.

Noteworthy events:

2nd - Snow fell from 8.30 to 9.15am but did not settle on the ground. Very cold conditions resulted in light snowfalls along parts of the Northern Tablelands including Armidale and Guyra. Cold south-westerly winds following the passage of a cold front the previous evening, and an upper level cold pool caused the extreme wintry weather. Armidale's maximum temperature for the day was 7.0C.

22nd-23rd - Very cold winds combined with an upper level cold pool following a cold front which passed through eastern New South Wales on the 21st, resulted in very light snow on the higher parts of the Northern Tablelands around Guyra on the evening of the 22nd. Low day temperatures followed on the 23rd with Armidale recording a maximum of just 5.5C. This was the coldest day since 18th July 2014 when 5.5C was also recorded.

JUNE 2020 STATISTICS (long term averages in brackets)

Rainfall: 35.6 mm (55.0 mm)

Rain days: 11 (10)

2020 rainfall total Jan to Jun: 548.2 mm (395.8 mm)

Average maximum temp: 13.9 deg (13.2 deg)

Average minimum temp: 1.3 deg (0.8 deg)

Highest maximum temp: 18.7 deg on the 15th

Lowest maximum temp: 5.5 deg on the 23rd

Highest minimum temp: 8.6 deg on the 10th

Lowest minimum temp: -5.4 deg on the 5th

Fine sunny days: 10 (13)

Ideal weather days: 4 (3)

Days with thunderstorms: 1 (0.4)

Days with frosts: 15 (16) light: 3, moderate: 9, severe: 3

Days with fogs: 10 (4)

Wind direction at airport at 3pm & number of days: W: 15, E: 5, SE: 3, NW: 3, SW: 2, NE: 2

Average daily pan evaporation: 1.3 mm (1.2 mm)

Thunderstorm details:

1st: 1.50-1.55pm - slight storm from the north-west

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