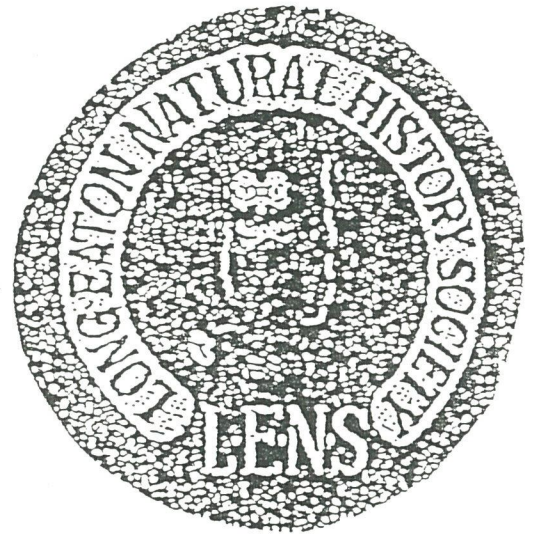


LONG EATON NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY BULLETIN



Barn Owl (*Tyto alba*)



No. 52
SPRING 2006

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CHAIRMAN'S FORWARD

This edition features Garden Bird and Butterfly reports by members, thus illustrating that you do not need to travel far to produce some records which are useful.

Two Fungal Foray reports are included together with a list of life found in the ponds at Forbes Hole Local Nature Reserve.

A marked reduction in rainfall is indicated in the Weather Summary for 2005, the average of which is $24\frac{1}{2}$ inches per year for this area.

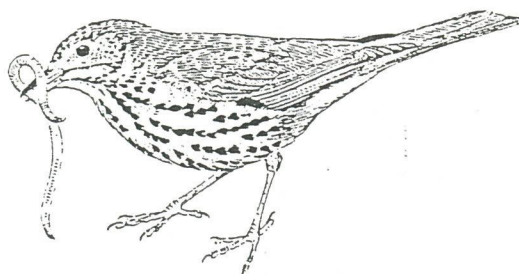
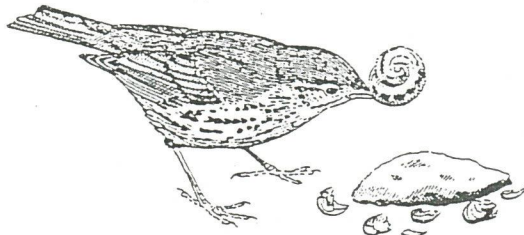
The Summer events programme offers a variety of visits and we hope as many of you as possible will be able to attend and we thank you all for your continued support.

Alan W. Heath

SOME RECENT BIRD SIGHTINGS -

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|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Bullfinch | Quorndon Creseent, Long Eaton |
| Gooseander | Barker's Pond |
| Lesser Spotted Woodpecker | Long Eaton Park |
| Little Egret | Ratcliffe |
| Gooseanders | Attenborough Nature Reserve |
| Egyptian Geese | Attenborough Nature Reserve |
| Short-eared Owl | Trent Meadows |
| Gt. Spotted Woodpecker | Harlaxton Drive, Long Eaton |
| Redpoll | early February |

*Song Thrush using an 'anvil'
to smash snail shells*



R.S.P.B. GARDEN BIRDWATCH - January 2006

| | | | |
|-----------------|--|---|---|
| Blackbird | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Blue Tit | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Chaffinch | 6 | 3 | |
| Collared Dove | 2 | 3 | |
| Dunnock | 2 | | |
| Goldfinch | 2 | | |
| Great Tit | 2 | | 1 |
| Greenfinch | 12 | 7 | |
| House Sparrow | 6 | 1 | 5 |
| Long-tailed Tit | 2 | | |
| Magpie | 5 | 1 | 2 |
| Robin | 1 | 1 | |
| Starling | 30 | 7 | 4 |
| Woodpigeon | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Wren | 1 | 1 | |
| | Gwen Bates, 4 Hardy Close 8.30-9.30 29 January | John & Fay Blackburn 30 Quorndon Cres. 29 January | Alan Heath, 6 Harlaxton Drive 12.00 - 1.00 28 January |

The numbers refer to the greatest number seen at one time.

| | J | F | M | A | My | J | Jy | A | S | O | N | D |
|----------------|-----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|----|-----------------|----|
| blue tit | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 3 |
| robin | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| blackbird | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 4 |
| house sparrow | 12 | 12 | 10 | 5 | 16 | 12 | 10 | 21 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 10 |
| starling | 35 ⁺ | 25 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 12 | 15 | 3 | 10 | 20 ⁺ | 5 |
| dunnock | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| chaffinch | 5 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 6 |
| great tit | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| greenfinch | 10 | 12 | 10 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 12 | 12 | 14 |
| collared dove | 10 | 11 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| coal tit | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| longtailed tit | 4 | 3 | 2 | | | | | | | | 3 | 4 |
| goldfinch | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 5 |
| crow | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | 2 | | |
| magpie | 3 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| mistle thrush | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| song thrush | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | 2 | | | |
| sparrow hawk | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| wood pigeon | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| wren | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| bullfinch | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | | 1 |
| woodpecker | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| fieldfare | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| wagtail pied | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| blackcap | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
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YEAR 2005

NAME GWEN BATES

ADDRESS 4, HARDY CLOSE,
LONG EATON.

The figures
are the highest number
of each bird seen at
one time during the
month.

2005 - GARDEN BIRDS - 6 Harlaxton Drive, Long Eaton

° = OVER

| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| BLACKBIRD | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / |
| BLUE TIT | / | / | / | / | | | | | | / | / | / |
| CHAFFINCH | / | / | / | | | | | | | | | |
| COLLARED DOVE | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | | / | / | / |
| CORMORANT | | | | | | | | | | | | /° |
| CROW | / | | /° | /° | /° | /° | | | | /° | | /° |
| DUNNOCK | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GT SPOT. WOODPECKER | / | | | | | | | | | | | / |
| GREAT TIT | / | / | / | / | / | / | | | / | | / | / |
| GREENFINCH | | | / | | | | | | | | | |
| GOLDFINCH | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HERON | | | /° | /° | /° | /° | /° | | | | | |
| KESTREL | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| LONG-TAIL TIT | / | / | | | | | | | | | | |
| MAGPIE | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / |
| ROBIN | / | / | / | / | / | | | / | | / | / | / |
| SPARROW, HOUSE | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / |
| STARLING | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / | / |
| SWALLOW | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SWIFT | | | | | | /° | /° | /° | | | | |
| THRUSH, MISSEL | | / | | / | / | | | / | | | | |
| THRUSH, SONG | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| WOODPIGEON | / | / | / | / | / | / | | / | / | / | / | / |
| BULLFINCH | | | | | | / | | | | | | |
| WREN | | | | | | | | / | | | | |

2005 GARDEN BUTTERFLIES - 6 Harlaxton Drive, Long Eaton

JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC

BRIMSTONE

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COMMON BLUE

GATEKEEPER

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HOLLY BLUE

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LARGE WHITE

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MEADOW BROWN

ORANGE TIP

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PAINTED LADY

PEACOCK

RED ADMIRAL

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SMALL TORTOISESHELL

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SMALL WHITE

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SPECKLED WOOD

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SMALL SKIPPER

RINGLET

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2005 J F M A M J Jy A S O N D

| BUTTERFLIES & MOTHS | J | F | M | A | M | J | Jy | A | S | O | N | D |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|---|---|---|---|---|
| brimstone | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| comma | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| gatekeeper | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| green-veined white | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| holly blue | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | |
| large white | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| meadow brown | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | |
| orange tip | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| peacock | | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | | | |
| red admiral | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| small tortoiseshell | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | |
| small white | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| common blue | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| painter lady | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| hummingbird hawkmoth | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | |
| MAMMALS | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| cat | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| dog | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| grey squirrel | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| hedgehog | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| red fox | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| brown rat | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bat species | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | |
| AMPHIBIANS | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| common frog | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | |
| common toad | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| bumble bee | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| wasp | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | |

YEAR - 2005

Gwen Bates, 4 Hardy Close, Long Eaton

During the year a total of 12 samples were obtained, 6 from each pond. Samples obtained between 23 January and 11 December. The following is a list of species found, both ponds combined -

Arcella (M)
 Ascellus
 Caddis larvae
 Ceriodaphnia
 Chaetonotus
 Chironomus larva
 Chydorus
 Cloeon nymph
 Closterium attenuatum
 Closterium concavum
 Coleps
 Corixa (M)
 Cyclops
 Cymbella ehrenbergii
 Cymbella gastroides
 Cypris
 Daphnia hyalina
 Daphnia pulex
 Diaptomus
 Diatoms (M)
 Euglena (M)
 Eurycercus
 Fragellaria (M)
 Gammarus (S)
 Gerris (S)
 Gyrimus (S)
 Hydra oligactis
 Hydracarina
 Hyphydrus ovatus (S)

Leech (S)
 Limnaea pereger (M)
 Loxophyllum
 Nematode (M)
 Nitzschia sigmoidea
 Oscillatoria
 Penium (S)
 Pinnularia
 Planorbis (M)
 Pleurosigma (M)
 Rotifer sp. (M)
 Scapheloberus (M)
 Simocephalus
 Spirogyra (M)
 Spirostomum (S)
 Surirella constricta (M)
 Synedra
 Tubifex (S)
 Vorticella (M)
 Water Mite (S)
 Water Moss (S)

| | |
|-------|-------------------------------|
| KEY : | (M) is Main Pond only |
| | (S) Small Pond only |
| | Otherwise found in both ponds |

NOTE : Ceratium was again found in the Main Pond having been previously found last year for the first time since 1961

pH - Main Pond varied between 7.6 and 7.8
 Small Pond was 7.6 throughout

Dissolved Oxygen - Varied between 3.0 and 22.0 ppm in the Main Pond and between 0.3 and 15.5 for the Small Pond
 Low for both ponds on Nov 4

BIRDS : Blackbird, Blackcap, Blue Tit, Chaffinch, Coot, Crow, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Great Tit, Greenfinch, Moorhen, Robin, Starling, Swallow, Teal, Thrush Missel, Thrush Song, Wood Pigeon, Wren

BUTTERFLIES ; Common Blue, Green-veined White, Orange Tip Speckled Wood

PLANTS ; Scabius, Marsh Speedwell, Dovesfoot Cranesbill, Dogwood, Tufted Vetch (13th July)
 Meadow Cranesbill still in flower by Main Pond on the 4th November

TOTAL POND SPECIES : Main Pond 41 (15 Main pond only),
 Small Pond 29 species (9 Small Pond only)
 BOTH PONDS COMBINED - 51 species

FUNGAL FORAY - ST. CHAD'S WATER, Wilne 6th November 2005
Beverley Rhodes

| | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| <i>Bolbitius vitellinus</i> | Cowpat fungus |
| <i>Clavulina cristata</i> | White coal fungus |
| <i>Coprinus micaceus</i> | Glistening Inkcap |
| <i>Coriolus hirsutus</i> | |
| <i>Coriolus versicolor</i> | Many zoned Polypore |
| <i>Crepidotus mollis</i> | |
| <i>Crepidotus variabilis</i> | |
| <i>Cylindrobasidium evolvens</i> | |
| <i>Daedaleopsis confragosa</i> | Blushing Bracket |
| <i>Datronia mollis</i> | |
| <i>Entoloma clypeatum</i> | |
| <i>Hebeloma crustuliniforme</i> | Poison Pie |
| <i>Hypoxylon mammatum</i> | |
| <i>Incrustoporia semipileata</i> | |
| <i>Inocybe cincinnata</i> | |
| <i>Inocybe geophylla</i> | |
| <i>Laccaria laccata</i> | The Deceiver |
| <i>Lacrymaria velutina</i> | Weeping Widow |
| <i>Lactarius controversus</i> | |
| <i>Lactarius memmosus</i> | |
| <i>Lactarius tabidus</i> | |
| <i>Leccinum scabrum</i> | Brown Birch Bolete |
| <i>Lepista nuda</i> | Wood Blewit |
| <i>Merulius tremellosus</i> | |
| <i>Mycena alcalina</i> | |
| <i>Mycena epipterygia</i> | |
| <i>Mycena polygramma</i> | |
| <i>Naucoria bohemica</i> | |
| <i>Nectria cinnabarina</i> | Coral Spot |
| <i>Nolanea farinolens</i> | |
| <i>Paxillus involutus</i> | Brown Rollrim |
| <i>Peziza cerea</i> | |
| <i>Pseudotrametes gibbosa</i> | |
| <i>Russula betularum</i> | Birch Russula |
| <i>Stereum hirsutum</i> | Hair stereum |
| <i>Tremella mesenterica</i> | Yellow brain fungus |
| <i>Xylaria hypoxylon</i> | Candle-snuff |

Total of 37 species found on a visit to Chad's Water
with Groundwork Erewash Valley.

FUNGAL FORAY - FOX COVERT, Long Eaton - 12 November 2005

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|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Agaricus porphyrocephalus</i> | Yellow Stainer |
| <i>Agaricus xanthodermus</i> | Jew's Ear Fungus |
| <i>Auricularia auricular-judae</i> | Cowpat Fungus |
| <i>Bolbitus vitellinus</i> | Wood Wooly-foot |
| <i>Collybia peronata</i> | Clustered Tough Shank |
| <i>Collybia confluens</i> | |
| <i>Conocybe tenera</i> | |
| <i>Coprinus lagopus</i> | Glistening Ink Cap |
| <i>Coprinus micaceus</i> | Many zoned Polypore |
| <i>Coriolus versicolor</i> | |
| <i>Cortinarius uliginosus</i> * | |
| <i>Daedaleopsis confragosa</i> * | Blushing Bracket |
| <i>Entoloma clypeatum</i> | |
| <i>Entoloma saundersii</i> | |
| <i>Galerina mutabilis</i> * | Brown Stew Fungus |
| <i>Hygrocybe nivea</i> | Snowy Wax Cap |
| <i>Hypholoma fasciculare</i> | Sulphur Tuft |
| <i>Inocybe cincinnata</i> | |
| <i>Laccaria laccata</i> | The Deceiver |
| <i>Mycena alcalina</i> | |
| <i>Mycena clavularis</i> | |
| <i>Mycena galericulata</i> | Bonnet Mycena |
| <i>Mycena galopus</i> | Milky Mycena |
| <i>Nolanea staurospora</i> | |
| <i>Phellinus igniarius</i> * | Willow Hoof Fungus |
| <i>Pleuteus cervinus</i> | |
| <i>Polyporus badius</i> | |
| <i>Psathyrella microrhiza</i> | |
| <i>Rickenella fibula</i> | |
| <i>Russula cyanoxantha</i> | The Charcoal Burner |
| <i>Scutellinia scutellata</i> * | Eyelash Fungus |
| <i>Xylaria hypoxylon</i> | Candle Snuff |
| <i>Xylaria polymorpha</i> | Dead Man's Fingers |

Survey by Beverly Rhodes

* significant to site

Identification - R. Phillips text and
occasional other sources.

Barker's Pond/Our Garden (6-11-05 to 17-1-06)

Fay & John Blackburn

The grey wagtail failed to make its customary winter visit to the garden, much to our disappointment. It was last observed on 19th March 2005. In addition, no goosanders have been sighted on the pond this year although a number are much in evidence at Attenborough.

Swan numbers continue to increase. Three adult birds and eight immatures were present on 11th November 2005 and by 13th January 2006 the total had expanded to four adults and eight young. The following day the contingent had grown to four adults and ten young, a record number for Barker's Pond.

Tufted duck appeared only sporadically during November and December, usually confined to a single bird or a pair. Numbers subsequently increased when four males and two females arrived on 2nd December followed by three males and one female on 5th January, five males and one female on 6th January, three males and one female on 13th January, nine males and two females on 16th January and six males and two females on 17th January. There were regular sightings of individual birds or the occasional pair on the intervening days.

Additional sightings on the pond included a common gull on 21st November, a lesser blackback gull on 8th December and another blackback gull and a kingfisher on 3rd January.

Greenfinches, chaffinches and goldfinches now dominate the garden feeders while sparrows are seen only very infrequently and then only in small numbers. However, starlings at present are regular visitors, often in flocks of fifty or more birds.

A solitary redwing was observed on trees surrounding the garden on 21st November together with eight fieldfares. Further sightings of fieldfare included six on 27th November, twenty on 28th November, fifteen on 29th November, twenty on 30th November, twenty on 1st December and twenty-three on 4th December.

A mistle thrush visited the garden on 15th and 27th November and again on 9th January. A pair were also present on 22nd November and 17th January. A song thrush was a welcome visitor on 23rd November.

A greater spotted woodpecker was present on 2nd December and a pair of bullfinches were other notable visitors on 24th December.

WEATHER SUMMARY - 2005

Alan Heath,
6 Harlaxton Drive,
Long Eaton

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| PREVAILING WIND | - | WEST |
| LEAST WIND | - | SOUTH-EAST |
| WARMEST DAY | - | 19th June - 92°F |
| COLDEST DAY | - | 19th November and also 29th December - 23°F |
| WETTEST DAY | - | 19th August - 36.2mm |
| WETTEST MONTH | - | August |
| DRIEST MONTH | - | May |
| DAYS WITH OVER AN INCH OF RAIN IN 24 HRS | - | 3 - June 28, Aug 19, Oct 24 |
| TOTAL THUNDERSTORMS | - | 6 |
| TOTAL RAIN | - | 572.9 mm (22.54 ins) = 0.43 ins per week |
| TOTAL DRY DAYS + NIGHTS | - | 491 |
| TOTAL WET DAYS + NIGHTS | - | 239 |
| TOTAL SNOW | - | 4½ ins. |
| DAYS WITH NEW SNOW ON GROUND | - | 8 |
| TOTAL FOG | - | 2 |
| FOG ALL DAY | - | none |
| BAROMETER - Maximum | - | 30.85 12 December |
| BAROMETER - Minimum | - | 28.80 2 December |
| STRONG WINDS/GALES | - | 4 - 7-8 Jan, 12 Feb, 28 May, 16 Dec |
| AVERAGE MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE | - | 71.8 F |
| AVERAGE MINIMUM TEMPERATURE | - | 34.0 F |
| DAYS WITH TEMPERATURES OF 80° F OR MORE | 20 | 1 in May, 8 in June 7 in July and 4 in August |
| DAYS WITH TEMPERATURES OF 70° F OR MORE | 76 | 1 in Apr, 5 in May 16 in June, 18 in July, 20 in August, 14 in September, and 2 in October |
| DAYS WITH TEMPERATURES OF 32°F OR LESS | 38 | 5 in Jan, 5 in Feb, 5 in March, 2 in Apr, 11 in Nov and 10 in Dec |

NOTE : RAINFALL - Approximately 2-inches below average
this year and approximately 5 inches
less than in 2004

WEATHER SUMMARY - 2005

| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| TEMPERATURE Max. | 55 | 51 | 63 | 71 | 84 | 92 | 87 | 88 | 83 | 71 | 65 | 52 |
| Min. | 26 | 27 | 29 | 30 | 33 | 42 | 51 | 46 | 37 | 42 | 23 | 23 |
| Day | 20.1 | 19.2 | 14.8 | 25.0 | 9.0 | 64.4 | 55.6 | 31.9 | 31.2 | 26.9 | 26.2 | 23.9 |
| Night | 4.4 | 21.7 | 18.5 | 19.0 | 13.8 | 8.2 | 13.3 | 50.8 | 19.2 | 34.2 | 10.1 | 11.5 |
| Total | 24.5 | 40.9 | 33.3 | 44.0 | 22.8 | 72.6 | 68.9 | 82.7 | 50.4 | 61.1 | 36.3 | 35.4 |
| DAYS DRY | 13 | 12 | 20 | 17 | 22 | 19 | 19 | 22 | 23 | 20 | 17 | 23 |
| NIGHTS DRY | 23 | 17 | 19 | 19 | 23 | 23 | 27 | 25 | 21 | 22 | 25 | 22 |
| DRY DAYS + NIGHTS | 36 | 29 | 39 | 36 | 45 | 42 | 46 | 47 | 44 | 42 | 42 | 43 |
| DAYS WITH RAIN | 18 | 16 | 11 | 13 | 9 | 11 | 12 | 9 | 7 | 11 | 13 | 10 |
| NIGHTS WITH RAIN | 8 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 9 | 5 | 9 |
| DAYS + NIGHTS WITH RAIN | 26 | 27 | 23 | 24 | 17 | 18 | 16 | 15 | 16 | 20 | 18 | 19 |
| RAIN - Inches | 0.96 | 1.61 | 1.31 | 1.73 | 0.90 | 2.85 | 2.71 | 3.26 | 1.98 | 2.41 | 1.43 | 1.39 |
| WETTEST DAY | 18 | 24 | 30 | 30 | 22 | 28 | 24 | 19 | 30 | 24 | 8 | 2 |
| THUNDERSTORMS | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | - | - | - |
| BAROMETER - Max. | 30.60 | 30.70 | 30.55 | 30.40 | 30.30 | 30.65 | 30.45 | 30.25 | 30.40 | 30.50 | 30.80 | 30.85 |
| Min. | 29.45 | 29.60 | 29.55 | 29.20 | 29.60 | 29.60 | 29.60 | 29.50 | 29.65 | 29.20 | 29.20 | 28.80 |
| FOG | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 |
| FOG ALL DAY | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| DAYS WITH NEW SNOW ON GROUND | - | 4 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 |
| SNOW - Total inches | - | 2½ | T | T | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1¾ |
| DAYS WITH TEMPERATURES OF 80F OR MORE | - | - | - | - | 1 | 8 | 7 | 4 | - | - | - | - |
| DAYS WITH TEMPERATURES OF 70 F OR MORE | - | - | - | 1 | 5 | 16 | 18 | 20 | 14 | 2 | - | - |
| DAYS WITH TEMPERATURES OF 32F OR LESS | 5 | 5 | 5 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 11 | 10 |

MONTHLY WEATHER SUMMARY - 2005

- January - First half of month windy, especially the 8th. Final week had a dominance of North wind. Second half of month wetter. There were 14 days when temperatures reached 50°F or more.
- February - Dominance of North wind. North-west gale on 12th. Snow on 4 days in last week. A rather wet month.
- March - Two days with a light cover of snow in first week. Wind North or North-East in first half of month. Wetter in last but warmer, especially 23rd, 24th and 25th.
- April - A mixed month and warmer in the last week. Snow flurries on the 8th.
- May - Driest month of the year but there was a brief thunderstorm on the 7th. Very warm on the 27th.
- June - A wet month, especially the two thunderstorms on the 28th (Inch of rain in 2 hours) and 29th. Warmest day of the year on the 19th (92°F) Very warm in the last week.
- July - A wet month with a thunderstorm on the 14th. Very warm the second week.
- August - Wettest month of the year and a wet month generally with over an inch of rain in 24 hours on the 19th. Dominance of North-West wind in first half of month and West in last week.
- September - A mixed month. First week rather warm especially on the 6th
- October - Fair amount of rain especially the last two weeks. An inch of rain in 24 hours on the 24th. Warm on the 12th and 27th
- November - Rather wet in first half of month. Frequent frost in second half.
- December - First week wet. Snow on the 27th and 28th. Last week very cold. Coldest day of the year on the 29th (23°F) which was shared with 19th November.

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