

Payhembury Weather www.payhembury-weather.co.uk

Rainfall: It was about average but as the ground is still so saturated any rain just runs off. On 18 January we had about 3cm of snow in Payhembury but it was not enough to cause disruption. In Ottery there was no snow whereas in Cullompton much more fell. The *Daily Express* seemed to think we were in for “48 hours of snow hell” on 9-10 Feb. I can’t imagine where they get their weather forecasts from!

Temperatures: Both January and February continue to be warmer than average but not by much. We have had a both warm periods and a cold spell (18-24 Jan) but nothing exceptional.

Weather elsewhere: On 8 Feb a Nor’easter storm hit New England dumping 60cm of snow which broke records and caused more misery for those still recovering from Hurricane Sandy. Russia has also been receiving unrelenting snowfall in January and the St Petersburg police have been trying to outlaw snowball fights. Concerning extra terrestrial weather the biggest meteor for the last 100 years crashed to Earth in Russia on 15 Feb causing extensive damage.

Payhembury Monthly Temperatures degC

| Jan 13/Feb 13 (14 days) | 1960-90 Climate | Measured Averages | Warmer or colder than average? |
|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Max Temp | 7.6/7.5 | 7.7/7.7 | Warmer |
| Min Temp | 2.1/1.7 | 2.8/2.2 | Warmer |
| Mean Temp | 4.9/4.6 | 5.2/5.0 | Warmer |
| Temp Range | 5.5/5.7 | 4.9/5.5 | |
| | | | |
| Highest Max | 14/14 | 13/11.4 | 29 Jan 13 |
| Lowest Min | -13/-9 | -3/-1.5 | 21 Jan 13 |
| Lowest Max | -6/-3 | 0/4.1 | 20 Jan 13 |
| Highest Min | 11/10 | 9.4/6.0 | 3 Jan 13 |
| Payhembury | | Rainfall mm | Date of max |
| Jan 13 | 104 | 90 | 22 Jan 13 |
| Feb 13 (14 days) | 39 | 35 | 10 Feb 13 |

Roger Saunders

Follow me on twitter at @sat_metman