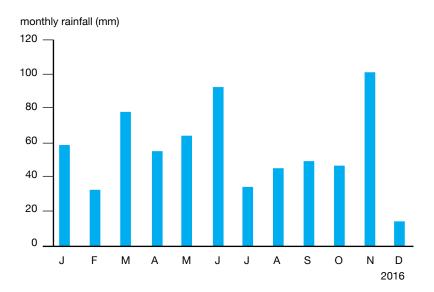
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The winter of 2015/16 was the warmest since national records began. Despite Atlantic gales in the last week of January and early February both months were relatively warm. March was very wet with high winds at the start and towards the end of the month. April was the eighth coolest in the decade 2007~16. June was cool and wet with nine days of winds from a Northerly and/or Easterly direction. July was both warm (fourth warmest in the decade) and dry. August was also dry and, by some margin, the warmest of the decade. September's nights were warm but the last night in the month was unseasonably cold at 4.9°C. A persistent high over Scandanavia resulted in a cool October and the coldest November for a decade. Storm ANGUS produced 53% of November's rainfall over three days (19~21) making it another 'wet' month. December was relatively warm with high atmospheric pressure and the lowest rainfall I have recorded in 26 years of observations.

For 2016 the total rainfall in my Stamford garden was 675.7 mm, about 10% above the average rainfall recorded over the last 26 years.



Temperatures and rainfall recorded in Stamford 2016

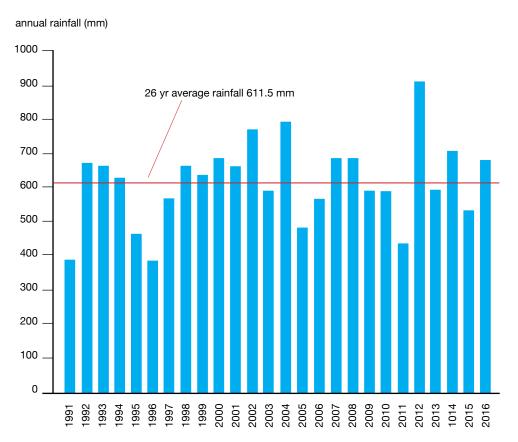
Temperature Minimum		Date	Mean	Maximum	Date	Mean	Rainfall recorded	
	(°C)		min* (°C)	(°C)		max* (°C)	(mm)	% LTM
Jan	- 5.0	19~20	2.1	14.2	27	8.3	59.7	119
Feb	- 4.0	22~23	1.3	14.1	21	8.8	33.4	92
Mar	- 2.4	6~7	2.0	15.2	25	10.2	78.5	212
Apl	- 1.5	8~9	3.3	18.0	13 & 14	13.7	56.1	128
May	1.8	2~3	7.5	29.0	8	19.0	63.3 **	128
June	7.7	26~27	11.0	25.6	7	20.7	91.5	180
July	7.5	1~2	12.6	33.4	19	24.3	35.1	63
Aug	8.2	13~14	12.6	30.8	23	24.3	45.7	71
Sept	4.9	29~30	11.7	31.0	13	21.5	49.1	98
Oct	2.2	1~2	6.8	20.0	4	15.1	46.8	75
Nov	- 4.8	27~28	2.5	14.4	15	9.1	100.9	169
Dec	- 4.4	26~27	2.3	14.6	8	9.0	15.6	38

Notes:

Min: lowest nightime record °C; Max: highest daytime record °C.

*rounded to nearest dp ** includes 28 mm on one day – 10/05

Annual rainfall totals recorded in Stamford, 1991-2016



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