

## MONTHLY WEATHER REVIEW - ARMIDALE NSW APRIL 2017

April 2017 was a cool, cloudy and dry month.

After the unusually high rainfall in the previous month, April was much drier with a total of just 22.0 millimetres, about half the average. Most of the rain (17.0 mm) fell in two days, the 25th and 26th. It was a cloudy month resulting in day temperatures being below normal, although overnight minimums were close to normal. There were no notable extremes.

The first frosts of the year occurred on the 29th and 30th bringing to an end a frost-free period of 184 days since the last frost on 26th October 2016.

Winds were mostly light easterlies which is normal for April.

There were no noteworthy events.

### **APRIL 2017 STATISTICS** (long term averages in brackets)

Rainfall: 22.0 mm (45.2 mm)

Rain days: 6 (8)

2016 rainfall total Jan to Apr: 391.4 mm (299.3 mm)

Average maximum temp: 18.8 deg (20.1 deg)

Average minimum temp: 6.3 deg (6.5 deg)

Highest maximum temp: 21.7 deg on the 25th

Lowest maximum temp: 11.2 deg on the 27th

Highest minimum temp: 12.9 deg on the 26th

Lowest minimum temp: -0.4 deg on the 29th

Fine sunny days: 8 (16)

Ideal weather days: 3 (3)

Days with thunderstorms: 0 (1)

Days with frosts: 2 (5)

Days with fogs: 3 (5)

Wind direction at airport at 3pm & number of days: E: 10, SE: 6, SW: 4, W: 4, NE: 2, S: 2, NW: 1,  
Calm: 1

Average daily pan evaporation: 2.1 mm (2.5 mm)