

# Daniel Smiley Research Center MOHONK PRESERVE Mohonk Lake, New Paltz, NY 12561

### Natural Science Note No. 635-10

Weather: December 2010

From records of the Mohonk Lake Cooperative Weather Station Established January, 1896

	114-year average 1896-2009	Actual This Year	Deviation from Average
Temperature (°F)	28.8	26.4	-2.4
Precipitation (in.)	3.90	4.09	+.19
Snow (in.)	11.6	14.5	+2.9

Highest temperature: 57°F on the 1<sup>st</sup> Lowest temperature: 10°F on the 10<sup>th</sup>

Fog: 4 days (1<sup>st</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>)

Ice Pellets:

Glaze:  $1 \text{ day } (12^{\text{th}})$ 

Thunder:

Damaging Wind:

Rime:  $1 \text{ day } (20^{\text{th}})$ 

Haze: 13 days (3<sup>rd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>)

Lunar Halo: 1 day (20<sup>th</sup>)

Double Rainbow 1 day (1<sup>st</sup>)

Lake Ice: <1% on the 9<sup>th</sup>, increased to 100% on the 10<sup>th</sup>, decreased to 10% off on the

14<sup>th</sup> and 30% off on the 18<sup>th</sup>, increased to Ice Over on the 19<sup>th</sup> (13 days

earlier than the 70 year average).

Snow on Ground: 13 in. on the 27<sup>th</sup>, decreased to 7 in. on the 31<sup>st</sup>.

Precipitation pH: 4.87 (n=4)

#### **Summary**

Temperature for the month was 2.4°F below the 114 year average. Precipitation for the month was 4.09 in., 5% above normal, with 8 days of measurable precipitation (the 74 year average is 10.3 days). Snowfall was 14.5 in., 25% above normal.

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## MOHONK LAKE COOPERATIVE WEATHER STATION

## **Summary for December 2010**

Compiled by the MOHONK PRESERVE, Mohonk Lake, New Paltz, NY 12561

	Months	114-year Average (1896-2009)	Actual this Year	Deviation from Average
Temperature (°F)				
Month		28.8	26.4	-2.4
Season	Jan-Dec	48.4	51.2	+2.8
<b>Precipitation (in.)</b>				
Month		3.90	4.09	+0.19
Season	Jan-Dec	47.95	48.66	+0.71
Snow				
Month		11.6	14.5	+2.9
Season	Nov-Dec	15.0	14.6	-0.4

Highest temperature: 57°F on the 1<sup>st</sup> Lowest temperature: 10°F on the 10<sup>th</sup>

### This month last year:

Temperature 28.6°F (8<sup>th</sup> warmest)

Precipitation 6.30 in.

Snow 17.3 in.