

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

### Natural Science Note No. 663-12

### Weather: November, 2012

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

	116-year average 1896-2011	Actual This Year	Deviation from Average
<b>Temperature</b> (°F)	40.5	38.8	-1.7
Precipitation (in.)	3.79	0.96	-2.83
Snow (in.)	3.2	2.4	-0.8

Highest temperature:  $62^{\circ}F$  on the  $12^{th}$ Lowest temperature:  $24^{\circ}F$  on the  $6^{th}$ 

Fog:	$3 \text{ days } (1^{\text{st}}, 13^{\text{th}}, 27^{\text{th}})$
Haze:	21 days $(5^{th}, 7^{th}-13^{th}, 9^{th}-19^{th}, 20^{th}-21^{st})$
Solar Halo:	2 days (9 <sup>th</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup> partial)
Sun Dog:	2 days (16 <sup>th</sup> , 23 <sup>rd</sup> )

Precipitation pH: 5.24 (n=3)

Days of Measurable Precipitation: 3 (average is 10)

#### Summary

This November ranked as the  $6^{th}$  driest November on record – with 75% less precipitation than normal. It was also the first month since January of 2011 to have a monthly temperature below the 116 year average.

The first killing frost of the year occurred on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 10 days later than average – making the 2012 growing season a total of 190 days.

No daily temperature or precipitation records were set.

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## MOHONK LAKE COOPERATIVE WEATHER STATION

Year	Precipitation (Inches)	Rank
1946	0.52	1
1908	0.65	2
2001	0.78	3
1976	0.81	4
1922	0.92	5
2012	0.96	6
1933	1.14	7
1902	1.17	8
1917	1.20	9
1915	1.22	10

### **Top 10 Driest Novembers**



A partial solar halo reflecting off the surface of Mohonk Lake on the morning of November 28th. Photo by Ethan Pierce.

## MOHONK LAKE COOPERATIVE WEATHER STATION

### **Summary for November 2012**

	Months	116-year Average (1896-2011)	Actual this Year	Deviation from Average
<b>Temperature</b> (°F)				
Month		40.5	38.8	-1.7
Season	Jan-Nov	50.1	54.3	+4.2
<b>Precipitation</b> (in.)				
Month		3.79	0.96	-2.83
Season	Jan-Nov	44.32	41.96	-2.36
Snow				
Month		3.2	2.4	-0.8
Season	Oct-Nov	3.5	2.4	-1.1

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This month last year:

Temperature47.1°FPrecipitation3.78 in.

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