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$37.65537^{\circ}$ N. $77.56929^{\circ}$ W. - Koontz

Days Min >=70 ${ }^{\circ}$ F
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## REMARKS FOR THE MONTH

## March - 2017

GLEN ALLEN WAS UNDER A SLIGHT RISK FOR SEVERE WEATHER BUT GLEN ALLEN HAD MAINLY STRONG WINDS AHEAD OF A SQUALL LINE NOT WITH PASSAGE OF CF.
COLD FRONT PASSED AROUND 0230-BREEZY BUT VERY SUNNY AND MUCH COOLER
SNOW VIRGA SEEN IN AM AND VERY LIGHT FLURRY JUST BEFORE 1100
GOOD CONDITIONS FOR FROST EXCEPT AIR TOO DRY-MIN. DEW POINT WAS $12.1^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ AT 0040
AM REL. HUMIDITY ONLY 56\% AND MIN. DEW POINT WAS $9.6^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$-CLEAR BUT COLD COMPARED TO RECENT TEMPS.
MOSTLY CLEAR FROM 0800-0930 THEN CLOUDY REST OF DAY WITH A LITTLE SUN THROUGH THIN CLOUDS
VERY WARM BUT WINDY AND CLOUDY DAY-SPRINKLES AFTER 1610-3RD PD. OF PRECIP. 2015-2210

VERY CLEAR AND LOW REL. HUMIDITY \& WARM FOR MARCH
SPRINKLES IN AM AND CLEARING STARTED AT 1215 AND NEARLY TOTALLY CLEAR BY 1530
MORE FROST ON GROUND THAN SKY MIRROR-VERY CLEAR BUT CHILLY DAY WITH LOW REL. HUMIDITY \& LOW DEW POINT OF 4.6F
SNOWSTORM IN NC AND CLOUDS FROM STORM HERE UNTIL 1000 FROM THE SOUTH \& CLEAR UNTIL SUNSET
SKY ONLY CLEAR FROM 1130-1330-MAJOR NE STORM TONIGHT BUT TOO WARM FOR MUCH FROZEN PRECIP. HERE
AFTER MIDNIGHT MAINLY FREEZING RAIN WITH AT LEAST 0.1 INS. OF ICE WITH SOME SLEET MIXED IN
TODAY WAS CLEAR BUT VERY COLD FOR MID-MARCH-LOW DEW POINT $1.8^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ AT $1647 \&$ WIND CHILL MIN. WAS $7^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ AT 0717
FROST ONLY ON GRASS-ANOTHER CLEAR DAY BUT MUCH WARMER AND LESS WIND
MOSTLY CLEAR ALL DAY UNTIL 1500 THEN CLOUDS MOVED IN WITH LIGHT RAIN TONIGHT
CLEARED OFF AT 1115 AND CLOUDS AGAIN WITH CIRRUS BY 1230 THEN CLEAR AGAIN 1515-1700 THEN CLOUDY AGAIN-PM EST. 60-65\% CLOUDY-3RD PD. PRECIP. 2025-2245
HEAVY STRATOCUMULUS MOST OF DAY AND THREATENING PRECIP. WITH BREEZY CONDITIONS AND COLD FRONT PASSAGE AROUND 0830
CIRRUS CAME IN AROUND NOON AND BECAME THICKER UNTIL DARK

VARIABLE CLOUDINESS-AM SUN THROUGH CIRRUS-PM WAS MAINLY BROKEN CIRRUS EST. 55-65\% CLOUDY
CLEAR AND WINDY DAY AS A COLD FRONT PASSED AT 0730 - WIND GAVE A MIN. WIND CHILL FACTOR OF $37^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$
VERY DRY AIR THUS LITTLE FROST-DEEP BLUE SKY LOW HUMIDITY WAS $22 \%$ AND LOW DEW POINT OF $6^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ AT 0110
SPRINKLES WERE VERY LIGHT GIVING A MAX. OF 15 ON MOISTURE SENSOR AND EACH SPRINKLE LASTED ONLY A FEW MINUTES
GREAT WARM-UP TODAY-SKY HAD VERY THIN CIRRUS BUT MUCH SOLAR ENERGY THROUGH CLOUDS
DEW ONLY ON GRASS-ONLY A FEW DROPS OF RAIN SEEN ON CAR WINDSHIELD-MOISTURE SENSOR DIDN'T EVEN SHOW IT
3RD PD. OF SPRINKLES 0700-0905-NOT EVEN 0.01 INS. -WARMEST SINCE MARCH 1ST
THUNDER HEARD 3-4 TIMES IN PM BUT DISTANT-THUNDERSTORMS WERE WIDELY SCATTERED AND PM WAS EST. TO BE 70-75\% CLOUDY
DEW FORMED AFTER A MIDNIGHT LIGHT SPRINKLE
CLOUDY ALL DAY WITH MAINLY ALTOSTRATUSE AND LOOK LIKE PRECIPITATION BUT NONE OCCURRED
3RD PD. OF SPRINKLES 0320-0410 4th PD. RAIN AT 0525-1450, 5th RAIN PD. 1740-1955, 6TH RAIN PD. 2030-2210 - VERY RAINY DAY AND MUCH NEEDED PRECIP.
EXTENSION OF LENGTHY DAILY REMARKS

## EQUIPMENT

THIS HAS BEEN A BUSY MONTH WITH EQUIPMENT PROBLEMS. AFTER SEVERAL TESTS I FOUND THE CABLE TO THE TRIPPING BUCKET RAIN GAUGE WAS DEFECTIVE. THE CABLE WAS REPLACED ON MARCH 14TH AND HAS BEEN WORKING FINE SINCE THEN. I FOUND DAVIS HAS RELEASED A NEW TRANSMITTER AND SENSOR THAT IS ACCURATE TO 0.3 DEGREES F AND THE REL. HUMIDITY +/- $2 \%$ ACROSS THE ENTIRE RANGE SO THIS WAS PURCHASED AND INSTALLED ON MARCH 17TH. ALSO A NEW LITHIUM BATTERY WAS REPLACED IN THE NEW TRANSMITTER ON THE 17TH.

The link below explains how observations are taken at the Glen Allen Weather Station - Note the Numbers match the column numbers on the Observation Sheet www.glenallenweather.com/upload/glenallenclimate/log/2016/2016 Obs Rules.pdf

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The Glen Allen Station had 30 Records or Record Ties in March 2017
The maximum temperature on the 1st was $80.3^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year daily HIGH maximum temperature record for the date - the old record was $73.1^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2016. The minimum temperature on the 1st was $57.7^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year warm daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $50^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2012.

The daily temperature range on the 6 th was $31.8^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year HIGH daily temperature range record for the date - the old record was $28^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2012.
The minimum temperature on the 7 th was $54.2^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year warm daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $49^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2009.
The daily precipitation on the 8th was 0.03 inches, a new 8 -year HIGH daily precipitation record for the date - the old record was trace in 2016 and 2012.

The maximum temperature on the 11th was $47.6^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year cold daily maximum temperature record for the date - the old record was $51^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2011 . The minimum temperature on the 11 th was $24.7^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year LOW daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $30^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2012. The maximum temperature on the 12th was $46.5^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year cold daily maximum temperature record for the date - the old record was $58^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2009. The minimum temperature on the 12 th was $26.9^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year LOW daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $33^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2011. The daily precipitation on the 13th was 0.39 inches, a new 8 -year HIGH daily precipitation record for the date - the old record was 0.36 inches in 2009. The daily precipitation on the 14th was 0.74 inches, a new 8 -year HIGH daily precipitation record for the date - the old record was 0.46 inches in 2015. The daily greatest snow on the 14th was a trace, and is a new 8 -year daily greatest snow record for the date-the old record was 0 inches.
The minimum temperature on the 15th was $20.2^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year LOW daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $27^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2013. The maximum temperature on the 15 th was $38.9^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year cold daily maximum temperature record for the date - the old record was $46^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2009. The minimum temperature on the 16 th was $21.7^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year LOW daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $31^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2014. The maximum temperature on the 16th was $48^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, and EQUALED the 8 year LOW daily maximum temperature record for the date - the old record was set in 2014.
The minimum temperature on the 17 th was $23.3^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year LOW daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $27^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2014.
The daily greatest snow on the 19th was a trace, and is a new 8 -year daily greatest snow record for the date - the old record was 0 inches.
The minimum temperature on the 20 th was $28.7^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year LOW daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $29^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2013. The daily temperature range on the 21 st was $14.6^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year LOW daily temperature range record for the date - the old record was $21.4^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2016 .

The minimum temperature on the 23 rd was $24.7^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year LOW daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $25^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2013. The maximum temperature on the 23rd was $49.4^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year cold daily maximum temperature record for the date - the old record was $52^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2015. The daily temperature range on the 24 th was $34.7^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year HIGH daily temperature range record for the date-the old record was $30^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2010. The minimum temperature on the 25 th was $57.4^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year warm daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $55.8^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2016. The maximum temperature on the 25 th was $79.3^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year daily HIGH maximum temperature record for the date - the old record was $78.2^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2016. The minimum temperature on the 26 th was $56.2^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year warm daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $47^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2012. The minimum temperature on the 27 th was $50.4^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year warm daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $49.5^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2016 . The maximum temperature on the 27 th was $78.5^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year daily HIGH maximum temperature record for the date - the old record was $67.2^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2015. The minimum temperature on the 28th was $60.3^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, a new 8 -year warm daily minimum temperature record for the date - the old record was $51.8^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ in 2016 .

The daily precipitation on the 31st was 1.03 inches, a new 8 -year HIGH daily precipitation record for the date - the old record was 0.17 inches in 2013.
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