Rode Weather Report for April 2024

The following is a summary of the key readings on my Davis Vantage Vue weather station located in the middle of our back garden in Rode.

I have put the readings in a table and shown the equivalent readings since my first April readings in 2021 after I had installed the system.

April Readings

	2024	2023	2022	2021
Average Maximum	14°C	14°C	15°C	14°C
Average Minimum	6°C	4°C	4°C	0°C
Max Temp/dates	20°C 11,12	21°C 29	23°C 15,16	21°C 20,23
Min Temp/dates	0°C 20	-3°C 4	-4°C 3	-4°C 17
Total Rain	66.0mm	86.0mm	31.0mm	37.2mm
Max 24hr Rain	16.6mm 27-28	17.0mm 0-1	12.4mm 6-7	29.4mm 27-28
Days with Zero rain	13	12	20	23

April was a less wet month than March with less rainfall in total (66mm vs 117mm) and more dry days (13 vs 8). But still wetter than 2022 or 2021 and fewer dry days than 2021 or 2022. Maximum temperatures were about average though the minimum temperatures were a bit warmer than recent years.

Out of interest I added up the rainfall for the 5 months Nov – Mar for the last 4 years. The results were:

2020-21	456.4mm
2021-22	416.0mm
2022-23	606.2mm
2023-24	640.6mm

This conforms with all the weather reports of a very wet autumn/winter. But it is notable how wet last winter was in comparison with the previous two years.

In 2022 Michael Cooper said the Frome April average rainfall was 56mm. So this year is a bit above average. Last year was significantly above – 86.0mm.

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