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## "Rain water: river otters sacrifice fish"

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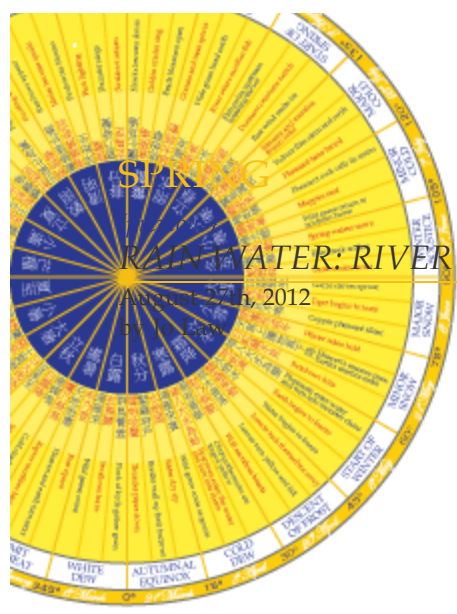
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Autumn  
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### {CALENDAR}

December 2012

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This pentad began with a very warm spring day. Bellambi (AWS) recorded a maximum of 26.7°C on Thursday August 23rd. Where we were in Sydney, the highest temperature reached 30°C. In the city, many people wore their summer ensemble perfectly at least in the hot sun; leaving some of us, who caught off-guard by the sudden shift in weather wandering with our woollens tied around our waists or stuffed in our bags like visitors from a cold country. Like a Proustian madeleine, the warm air jolts the body's memories, and, for a brief moment, I was immersed in a hot Sydney summer's day.

On this same day, strong winds blew from a north, north-westerly direction. The moisture in the warm air fuelled the growing cloud decks. Rain fell in the late afternoon, returning moisture content to ground level. The day was followed by a cool morning with scattered rainfall. After this sudden spike in temperature and rainfall, the remaining days of the pentad continued with maximums in the high-teens and relative humidity below 50%.

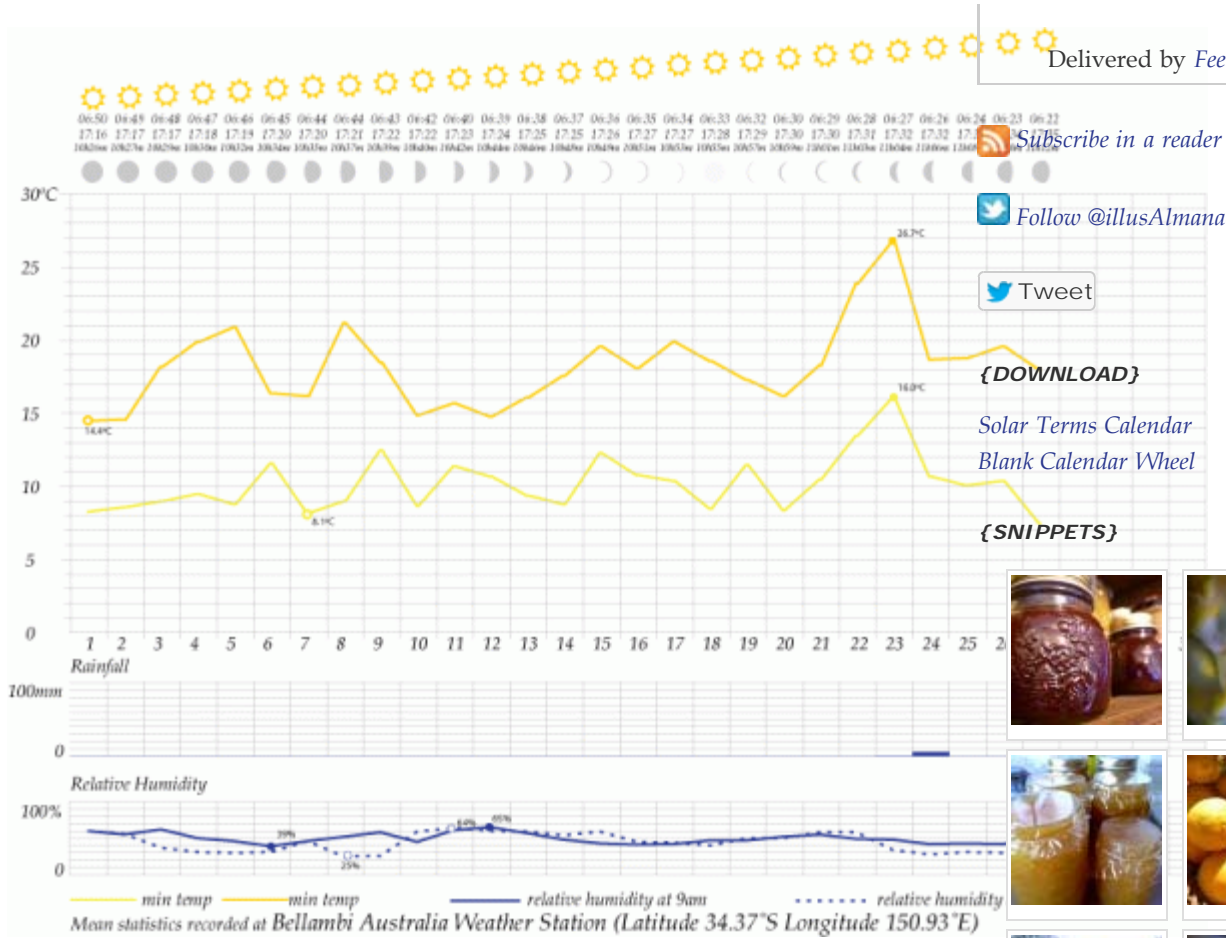
The recent seasonal outlook released by the Bureau of Meteorology anticipates a warmer and drier than average spring for New South Wales. The Bureau's continual monitoring of the Pacific Ocean's temperatures indicates that there is 'renewed development towards El Niño' with a possibility of returning to drier and warmer conditions for the southern and eastern parts of the continent, although it is still too early to tell.

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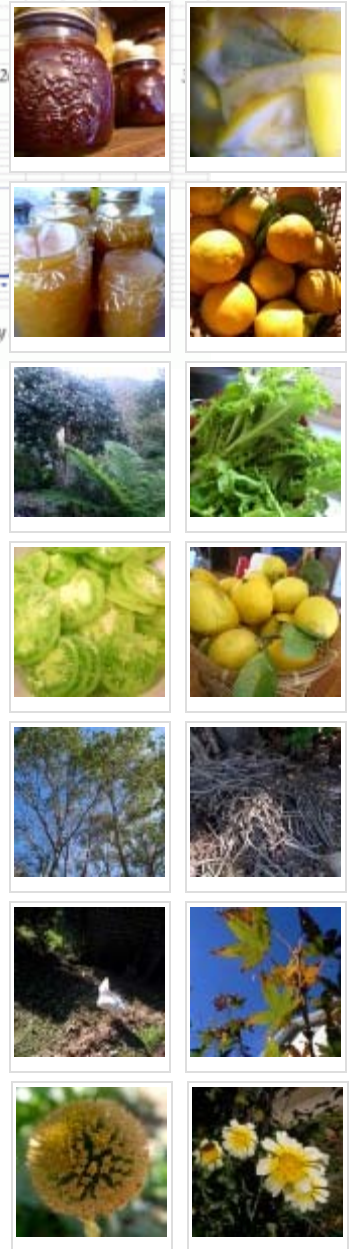
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2:39 PM Jan 12, 2012

@girlnagun Meanwhile,

fan-mania continues here whether hot or cold/ Faa!! Faa!! chirps the small one.



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@girlnagun Yellow-tailed,

Red-tailed, may I ask? Just the sulphur-crested vandals here ripping off upripe passionfruits!



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@girlnagun A cicada shell

on a mulberry leaf: where are the cicadas? Then we heard a song that night <http://t.co/z2WRL0qP>



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Lzzzzz....d....Zzzzzz...

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