

Thunderstorms bring some relief after intense heat

Temperatures milder on the public holiday

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IF YOU'RE hoping for a sunny day off on Reconciliation Day tomorrow, you may be out of luck.

Tomorrow will be "partly cloudy and warm" with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms in the afternoon, according to Bransby Bulo of the South African Weather Service.

Bulo said the temperature would fluctuate from a minimum of 15°C to a maximum of 28°C.

Well at least it won't be a heatwave. This forecast continues the pattern of grey skies from yesterday, which led to an early afternoon hail-

storm in Pretoria.

A photo on Twitter showed a small mound of hail piling up under a gutter pipe. Another photo showed that the hail was the same diameter as a R5 coin.

"Pretoria weather, it's hot but it's cold. There is sunlight for 2 secs then hail aai," N'waCash (@dudufatso) wrote on Twitter following the storm.

One family got into the festive spirit with the storm. They made a hail version of a snowman and posted a picture on social media. Unlike Twitter accounts of hailstorms this summer, the hail pictures didn't seem to illustrate any damage in the area.

@bgirledukate

DRENCHED:
A downpour in Joburg caught pedestrians by surprise yesterday afternoon.



PICTURE:
NOKUTHULA MBATHA

Grand Slam ace celebrated



HONOURED: Serena Williams of the US celebrates with the women's trophy after winning against Garbine Muguruza of Spain during their final match of the Wimbledon Championships at the All England Lawn Tennis Club in London this year. PICTURE: EPA

NEW YORK: Serena Williams, who held all four of tennis's Grand Slam titles for the second time in her career and won 53 of 56 matches this year, was yesterday named Sportsperson of the Year by Sports Illustrated magazine.

The 34-year-old accomplished her second "Serena Slam" while battling a string of injuries, producing one of the greatest late-career runs in the history of any sport, the magazine said, hailing her as a global icon.

"Serena has made a very strong case as not only the greatest tennis player of her generation but of all time, and after the string of performances she put together in 2015, she is one of the most dominant athletes playing today," said Sports Illustrated group editor Paul Fichtenbaum.

Williams was ranked number one every week for the second consecutive year, and her three successive Grand Slam wins to start 2015 lifted her within one of Steffi Graf's record 22 singles titles in the professional era.

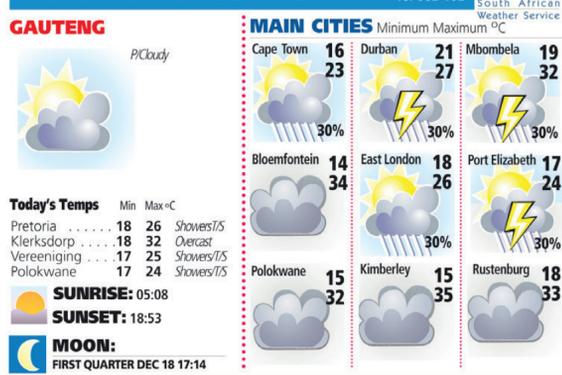
"This year was spectacular," Williams said in a statement. "For Sports Illustrated to recognise my hard work, dedication and sheer determination with this award gives me hope to continue on and do better."

Williams is the first woman to be recognised with the honour as an individual since athlete Mary Decker in 1983, with the magazine renaming its award from Sportsman of the Year to Sportsperson of the Year. - Reuters

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR JOHANNESBURG



TOMORROW'S WEATHER



Today's Temps Min Max °C

Pretoria	18	26	Showers/T
Klerksdorp	18	32	Overcast
Vereeniging	17	25	Showers/T
Polokwane	17	24	Showers/T

SUNRISE: 05:08
SUNSET: 18:53

MOON:
FIRST QUARTER DEC 18 17:14

WORLD TEMPERATURES Minimum Maximum °C

Amsterdam	7	8	Rain
Athens	4	22	Clear
Auckland	13	22	Rain
Barcelona	11	19	P/Cloudy
Beirut	13	19	P/Cloudy
Berlin	2	6	P/Cloudy
Brussels	8	10	Rain
Cairo	11	21	Clear
Chicago	6	7	Cloudy
Harare	17	25	Rain
Lisbon	12	18	P/Cloudy
London	1	8	Cloudy
Nairobi	16	25	Showers
New York	7	17	Clear
Paris	10	11	Rain
Rome	6	16	Clear
Sydney	20	30	P/Cloudy
Taipei	14	18	Rain
Tel Aviv	10	20	P/Cloudy
Tokyo	8	14	P/Cloudy
Tunis	10	19	P/Cloudy

Carey to wow her SA fans in May

STAFF REPORTER

AFTER being treated to a number of concerts by R&B superstars throughout the year, South Africans can look forward to another jaw-dropping headliner next year.

Hero and *Always Be My Baby* singer Mariah Carey will be performing in the country for the first time when she comes here for two shows in May.

Her Sweet Sweet Fantasy tour will hit our shores on May 1 and 2 at the Ticketpro Dome in Northridge, Randburg.

Carey, who refers to her fans as Lambily, wrote about the tour: "Lambily, it's been too long!! I'm so excited to be coming to South Africa to perform for you all. I promise we're going

to share the most amazing moments together and I have so many surprises in store for you daahhhings! Can't wait to see you all in your hometown. Love Mariah xx"

Though the Grammy Award-winning singer/songwriter has wrapped up her Las Vegas residency and has been pursuing acting for the last few years, most of her efforts are put into charity work. Among the causes close to her heart are Save the Music Foundation, World Hunger Relief and the Elton John Aids Foundation.

A big supporter of children's charities Mariah founded Camp Mariah in partnership with The Fresh Air Fund, a retreat for inner-city children to explore career development.



MAKING HER DEBUT: Singer Mariah Carey is set to perform at the Ticketpro Dome in Northridge, Randburg, on May 1 and 2.

PICTURE: REUTERS

Ex-Protea cricketer in court no-show

FORMER Proteas cricketer Herschelle Gibbs, who faces a charge of driving while under the influence of liquor, did not appear in court yesterday as expected.

A spokesperson for the Cape Town prosecuting authorities said the docket had been sent to the Western Cape Directorate of Public Prosecutions for a decision on whether to proceed with the case. No reasons were given.

The charge relates to an early morning car crash in Camps Bay involving Gibbs on December 1 last year.

It is alleged that Gibbs was speeding when his car collided with a Toyota.

Gibbs was initially scheduled to make his first court appearance on November 25 - nearly a year later - but his appearance was rescheduled for December 14 instead because he was out of the country.

There is no indication when the matter will eventually be placed on the court roll. - ANA

North West posts her first tweet, to mom Kim's great delight

LONDON: She is just two years old. But it seems North West is already following in the footsteps of her social media-savvy mother, Kim Kardashian.

The 35-year-old reality star announced with an emoticon that was hysterically laughing, "Just realised North tweeted", after her little girl somehow gained access to her more than 37 million followers and typed "jhjh"/".

This isn't the tot's first time trying her hand

out at social media.

In October, Kim shared a sexy bikini photo of herself on Instagram - then promptly insisted her daughter North was actually the one to post it.

"North posted this while playing games on my phone. Not sure why or how she chose it, but I'm not complaining! LOL I deleted it so now reposting it myself! #FBF from 10 years ago," she captioned the image.

The snapshot showed the now mother-of-two in her mid-20s, pouting for the camera in an eye-popping silver sequined bikini top.

Kim had her hands on her hips and wore a silver belly-chain, while her matching bikini bottoms could just be seen in the shot.

Now, the reality star and her husband Kanye West are parents-of-two.

The couple welcomed their latest addition, a son named Saint, last weekend. - Daily Mail

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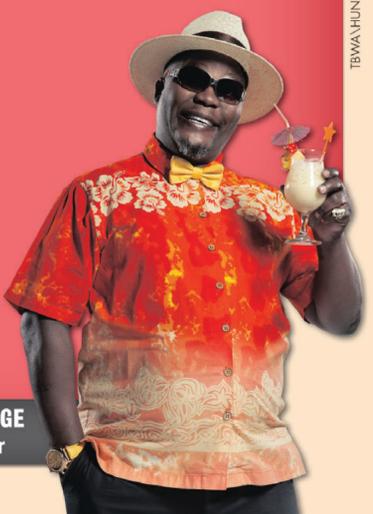


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