



Rug Up It Is Winter.

Brrrrrrr! minus 4 degrees what a way for Mother Nature to welcome us to July. But hey, the beautiful days that follow these cold starts make it all worthwhile and after all, it is mid-winter we have just not had the rain is all. This June was the driest on record with just 3.6mm falling over the month compared to the June average of 39.7mm but with the absence of windy days the good

moisture that was already in the ground has seen the gardens through. With the prediction of more of the same to come, you will have plenty of time to get out in the garden and there is lots that can be done.

July is the best time to carry out your winter pruning and spraying of roses and deciduous trees, winter maintenance of your

lawns, and the planting of bare rooted plants, while they are dormant. So rug up in the morning, enjoy getting out in the garden, then slowly strip off as the day goes (don't go too far as World Naked Gardening Day was on the 5th of May) but keep those layers close at hand as the night air moves in pretty early and quickly of an afternoon.