

**...ONE MORE REALLY COLD NIGHT...**

Northerly winds last night helped to drive the cold air well south leading to an advective freeze across much of the area away from the coast. Temperatures ranged from the upper teens to mid 20s across much of the Nature Coast with mid 20s to lower 30s stretching southward into Southwest Florida.

High pressure will be settling over North Florida tonight allowing winds to become light under clear skies. This combined with the cold dry air in place will lead to good radiational cooling with temperatures later tonight into Friday morning expected to once again fall into the upper teens to lower 20s across much of the Nature Coast with mid 20s to lower 30s stretching southward into Southwest Florida. These temperatures could approach the record lows for February 6th in a few locations. Also, since the winds will be lighter, frost is expected.

Below is a table listing the low temperatures at some sites across the region this morning along with the records for this date.

**Actual Lows/Records for February 5:**

Location		This Morning	Original Record Lows for Feb 5	Year Records Began
Archbold	:ACHF1	27	26 in 1980	1969
Arcadia	:ARCF1	*26	26 in 1996	1899
Avon Park 2 W	:AVPF1	28	25 in 1966	1901
Bartow	:BARF1	28	27 in 1996	1892
Brooksville Chin Hill	:BROF1	23	21 in 1996	1892
Bushnell 2 E	:BSHF1	24	22 in 1996	1948
Chiefland 5 SE	:CHIF1	19	**17 in 1996	1956
Fort Myers/Page Field	:FMY	34	29 in 1996	1902
Inverness 3 SE	:INVF1	25	23 in 1996	1948
Lakeland Linder Field	:LLDF1	27	**24 in 1996	1948
Mountain Lake	:LWLF1	29	26 in 1996,	1935
			1966 & 1935	
Myakka River State Park	:MKCF1	26	24 in 1996	1956
Parrish	:PARF1	NA	**24 in 1996	1957
Plant City	:PLCF1	29	25 in 1996	1892
Punta Gorda 4 ESE	:PNTF1	30	**27 in 1996	1965
St Leo	:STLF1	27	22 in 1996	1895
St Pete/Albert Whitted	:SPG	37	**28 in 1996	1914
Sarasota-Bradenton	:SRQ	31	**24 in 1996	1948
Tampa International Apt	:TPA	32	25 in 1996	1890
Tarpon Springs	:TRPF1	NA	23 in 1996	1892
Venice	:VNCF1	29	**26 in 1996	1955
Wauchula 2 N	:WAUF1	NA	27 in 1996	1933
			& 1958	
Weeki Wachee	:WEEF1	NA	22 in 1996	1969
Winter Haven	:WHNF1	29	26 in 1996	1941

\* New or tied record low for February 5

\*\* Record low for the month of February (see complete table below)

Below are some other low temperatures this morning from sites across the region.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Low This Morning</b>
Ruskin (NWS)	30
Brooksville (BKV)	23
Macdill AFB (MCF)	31
Punta Gorda (PGD)	30
St Pete/Clearwater (PIE)	35
Fort Myers - SW Int'l (RSW)	31
Vandenberg (VDF)	28
The Villages (VVG)	23
Arcadia FAWN	26
Balm FAWN	30
Bronson FAWN	21
Brooksville FAWN	23
Dover FAWN	28
Frostproof FAWN	31
Lake Alfred FAWN	27
North Port FAWN	31
Ona FAWN	26
Sebring FAWN	31
Cedar Key CMAN	28
Venice CMAN	33
Lower Suwannee (RAWS)	26
Sebring (RAWS)	29
Ding Darling (RAWS)	36
Anclote Gulf Park (COMPS)	33
Anna Maria (COMPS)	37
Aripeka (COMPS)	31
Big Carlos Pass (COMPS)	37
Egmont Key (COMPS)	37
Homosassa (COMPS)	32
Port Richey (COMPS)	30
Clearwater Beach (COOPS)	34

Some additional low temperatures this morning from home weather stations.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Low This Morning</b>
Levy County...	
Williston	23
Citrus County...	
Holder	18
Floral City	29
Citrus Springs	19
Sumter County...	
Bushnell	21

Hernando County...	
Hernando Beach	31
Pasco County...	
New Port Richey (East)	26
Odessa	27
Saint Leo University	28
Wesley Chapel	27
Dade City	25
Pinellas County...	
Palm Harbor	31
Oldsmar	31
Pinellas Park	34
Hillsborough County...	
Lutz	28
Valrico	28
Plant City	27
Lithia	27
Sun City Center	30
Polk County...	
Kathleen (2 Miles South)	22
Polk City	26
Davenport (6 Miles NNW)	29
Haines City	30
Fort Meade (5 Miles West)	30
Indian Lake	31
Manatee County...	
Bradenton (East)	32
Bradenton	37
Fort Green 12 WSW	27
Sarasota County...	
Sarasota	32
Manasota	33
Hardee County...	
Wauchula (EOC)	30
Zolfo Springs	27
Highlands County...	
Venus	25
Lee County...	
Cape Coral	34
Lehigh Acres	31
North Fort Myers	29

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Below are tables of the record low temperatures at sites around the area for February 6th and the all-time record lows for the month of February.

**Records for February 6:**

Location		Record Lows for Feb 6	Normal Low	Year Records Began
Archbold	:ACHF1	28 in 1980	46	1969
Arcadia	:ARCF1	27 in 1917	48	1899
Avon Park 2 W	:AVPF1	27 in 1947	49	1901
Bartow	:BARF1	27 in 1917	52	1892
Brooksville Chin Hill	:BROF1	24 in 1917	49	1892
Bushnell 2 E	:BSHF1	20 in 1966	47	1948
Chiefland 5 SE	:CHIF1	23 in 2000	44	1956
Fort Myers/Page Field	:FMY	33 in 1947 & 1917	55	1902
Inverness 3 SE	:INVF1	24 in 1996	44	1948
Lakeland Linder Field	:LLDF1	32 in 2000	52	1948
Mountain Lake	:LWLF1	*24 in 1947	50	1935
Myakka River State Park	:MKCF1	29 in 1966	50	1956
Parrish	:PARF1	28 in 1966	49	1957
Plant City	:PLCF1	26 in 1947	50	1892
Punta Gorda 4 ESE	:PNTF1	31 in 1966	52	1965
St Leo	:STLF1	27 in 1917	49	1895
St Pete/Albert Whitted	:SPG	32 in 1917	54	1914
Sarasota-Bradenton	:SRQ	28 in 1996 & 1966	51	1948
Tampa International Apt	:TPA	28 in 1966	53	1890
Tarpon Springs	:TRPF1	29 in 1966	51	1892
Venice	:VNCF1	32 in 1966	52	1955
Wauchula 2 N	:WAUF1	*24 in 1947	48	1933
Weeki Wachee	:WEEF1	23 in 1996	46	1969
Winter Haven	:WHNF1	26 in 1947	51	1941

\* Record Low for the month of February (See Complete Table Below)

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**Record Lows For February:**

Location		All-Time Record Lows for February	Year Records Began
Archbold	:ACHF1	18 on 02/14/2006	1969
Arcadia	:ARCF1	20 on 02/28/1925	1899
Avon Park 2 W	:AVPF1	23 on 02/04/1958 & 02/08/1895	1901
Bartow	:BARF1	22 on 02/04/1917 & 02/14/1899	1892
Brooksville Chin Hill	:BROF1	16 on 02/07/1895	1892
Bushnell 2 E	:BSHF1	19 on 02/26/1967	1948
Chiefland 5 SE	:CHIF1	17 on 02/05/1996	1956
Fort Myers/Page Field	:FMY	27 on 02/04/1917	1902
Inverness 3 SE	:INVF1	21 on 02/14/2006 & 02/15/1985	1948
Lakeland Linder Field	:LLDF1	24 on 02/05/1996	1948
Mountain Lake	:LWLF1	24 on 02/25/1989 & 02/06/1947	1935
Myakka River State Park	:MKCF1	22 on 02/25/1989	1956
Parrish	:PARF1	24 on 02/05/1996	1957
Plant City	:PLCF1	20 on 02/14/1899	1892
Punta Gorda 4 ESE	:PNTF1	27 on 02/05/1996	1965
St Leo	:STLF1	19 on 02/14/1899	1895
St Pete/Albert Whitted	:SPG	28 on 02/05/1996	1914
Sarasota-Bradenton	:SRQ	24 on 02/05/1996	1948
Tampa International Apt	:TPA	22 on 02/08/1895 & 02/14/1899	1890
Tarpon Springs	:TRPF1	20 on 02/14/1899	1892
Venice	:VNCF1	26 on 02/05/1996	1955
Wauchula 2 N	:WAUF1	24 on 02/06/1947	1933
Weeki Wachee	:WEEF1	21 on 02/07/2000	1969
Winter Haven	:WHNF1	25 on 02/25/1989	1941

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Residents of West Central and Southwest Florida, especially those away from the coast, should once again be prepared to protect vegetation and pets tonight. Prolonged temperatures near or below freezing may severely damage sensitive vegetation, and can be harmful to pets. In addition, if you plan on being outdoors tonight into early Friday be sure to bundle up and dress in layers. If you plan on using space heaters please remember they can be a fire hazard, and you should keep linens, blankets, curtains, and other flammables away from the heater at all times. To prevent freezing and possible bursting of outdoor water pipes, pipes should be wrapped, drained, or allowed to drip slowly. Those that have in-ground sprinkler systems should drain their systems, or cover any above-ground pipes to protect them from freezing.

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