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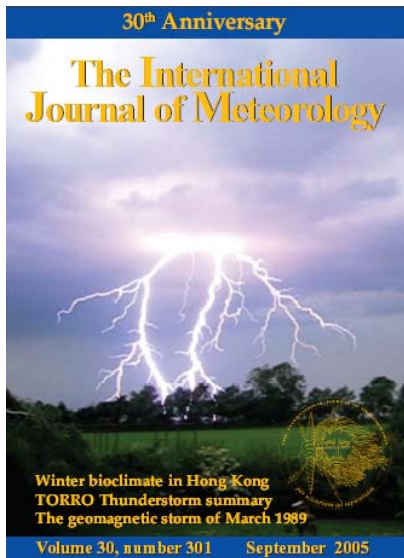
# Press Release



## 30 years of The International Journal of Meteorology

**The International Journal of Meteorology Vol. 30, No. 301,  
September 2005: 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

This month's issue commemorates 30 years of severe weather and climate publishing. Dr Terence Meaden documents the growth and journey the journal has taken since the very first edition in 1975 in "*Memoirs of the First*". The journal is now officially international, distributed worldwide and has set a remarkable precedent for all research into weather and climate over the years. Meaden rightly mentions in his feature on page 244: "It is good to know that data on all British tornadoes, funnel clouds and waterspouts from 1960 onwards (maybe 2000 in all) have been summarised in the journal's pages, and a good many of them the subject of instructive papers."



Although recognising the 30 years in publication, this issue also includes two very interesting research papers; one of which studies the effects of the sub-tropical weather on the tourist industry in Hong Kong, by Dr. Yuk Yee Yan from the Hong Kong Baptist University. Results from this research are extremely useful in "understanding human thermal comfort, planning outdoor recreational activities and developing tourist industries." (Yuk Yee Yan, page 249). A second outstanding, thorough research paper is on the Geomagnetic storm of 13<sup>th</sup> March 1989. In carrying out this research it is hoped by many researchers including the author of the paper, Ian P.P Hunter, that recognition of these events may be possible in the future of solar-terrestrial links on our climate.

This ground breaking issue also includes our regular features such as the TORRO Thunderstorm Report for the United Kingdom, this time including January to May, 2005: not to be missed by any weather enthusiast, and our European Weather Summary, this time including April and May, 2005.



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