

Appeal for information on missing girl in Chai Wan (with photo)

Police today (August 2) appealed to the public for information on a girl who went missing in Chai Wan.

Tsui Ching-tung, aged 15, went missing after she was last seen on Holy Cross Path on July 6 morning. Her social worker made a report to Police on July 8.

She is about 1.65 metres tall, 47 kilograms in weight and of thin build. She has a pointed face with yellow complexion and long black hair. She was last seen wearing a black short-sleeved top and black trousers.

Anyone who knows the whereabouts of the missing girl or may have seen her is urged to contact the Regional Missing Person Unit of Kowloon East on 3661 0316 or 9886 0060 or email to rmpu-ke-2@police.gov.hk, or contact any police station.



Several beaches reopened

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (August 2) that the shark prevention nets at Ma Wan Tung Wan Beach, Lido Beach, Casam Beach, Approach Beach, Hoi Mei Wan Beach, Ting Kau Beach and Anglers' Beach in Tsuen Wan District have been repaired and the beaches have been reopened.

The beaches were temporarily closed earlier for maintenance work on the shark prevention nets.

An exceptionally hot and cloudy July

With a warmer than normal sea surface temperature over the northern part of the South China Sea, July 2019 was much hotter than usual in Hong Kong. The monthly mean minimum temperature of 27.7 degrees and the monthly mean temperature of 29.5 degrees were 0.9 degree and 0.7 degree above the corresponding normal and respectively the highest and joint sixth highest on record for July. The month was also cloudier than usual. The monthly mean amount of cloud was 79 per cent, about 10 per cent above the normal figure of 69 per cent and the joint fifth highest on record for July. The duration of bright sunshine in the month was only 150.5 hours, about 29 per cent below the normal figure of 212.0 hours, making it the seventh lowest on record for July. The monthly rainfall was 328.5 millimetres, about 13 per cent below the normal figure of 376.5 millimetres. The accumulated rainfall recorded in the first seven months of the year was 1437.9 millimetres, slightly lower than the normal figure of 1473.3 millimetres for the same period.

Under the influence of an area of low pressure over the northern part of the South China Sea, there were sunny periods and showers as well as isolated thunderstorms on the first day of the month. Meanwhile, an area of low pressure developed into a tropical depression on July 2 and was named Mun. It moved generally westward across Hainan Island and entered Beibu Wan on July 3. Mun made landfall over the northern part of Vietnam and weakened into an area of low pressure inland on July 4. Under the influence of the rainbands associated with Mun, it was cloudy with occasional heavy showers and thunderstorms from July 2 to 4. More than 100 millimetres of rainfall were recorded over most parts of the territory in these three days.

With the prevalence of a southwesterly airstream, the weather of Hong Kong was a mixture of sunshine and showers from July 5 to 9. Under the influence of a trough of low pressure, local weather became showery with a few thunderstorms on July 10 and 11. More than 60 millimetres of rainfall were recorded over Lantau Island and parts of the New Territories in these two days.

Under the dominance of an anticyclone aloft southeastern China, local

weather turned fine and progressively became very hot with a few showers from July 12 to 18. With plenty of sunshine and light winds, the maximum temperature at the Hong Kong Observatory soared to 35.0 degrees on July 18, the highest of the month. The oppressive heat also triggered thundery showers that evening. While the weather remained very hot with sunny intervals on the morning of July 19, high temperature again triggered heavy showers and squally thunderstorms that afternoon. More than 30 millimetres of rainfall were recorded over many places, with rainfall exceeding 50 millimetres over the western part of the New Territories. A trough of low pressure continued to bring showery weather with localised heavy rain to Hong Kong on July 20 and 21. During these two days, more than 40 millimetres of rainfall were recorded over North District, Sai Kung and Southern District, and rainfall even exceeded 100 millimetres over Sha Tau Kok.

Affected by an upper-air disturbance, the weather of Hong Kong was a mixture of sunshine and showers from July 22 to 24. With the strengthening of the anticyclone aloft southeastern China, local weather became generally fine and very hot apart from isolated showers over the next three days. As the anticyclone aloft weakened, it was mainly cloudy with a few showers and thunderstorms on July 28 and 29. An area of low pressure developed into a tropical cyclone over the northern part of the South China Sea on July 30 and was named Wipha. With Wipha moving towards Hainan Island, local weather deteriorated gradually and became windy with outbreaks of squally heavy showers and thunderstorms on the last two days of the month. The outer rainbands associated with Wipha brought more than 100 millimetres of rainfall to most parts of the territory on July 31. The rainfall over Tseung Kwan O, Wong Tai Sin and Tai Wai even exceeded 200 millimetres. In the midst of the downpour, the temperature at the Hong Kong Observatory dropped to a minimum of 24.5 degrees on July 31, the lowest of the month.

Four tropical cyclones occurred over the South China Sea and the western North Pacific in July 2019.

Details of the issuance and cancellation of various warnings/signals in July are summarised in Table 1. Monthly meteorological figures and departures from normal for July are tabulated in Table 2.

Lifesaving services at Hap Mun Bay, Kiu Tsui and Trio beaches resume

Attention TV/Radio Announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible and repeat it at regular intervals:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (August 2) that the lifesaving services at Hap Mun Bay Beach, Kiu Tsui Beach and Trio Beach in Sai Kung District have resumed. The lifesaving services at the three beaches were suspended earlier on as lifeguards were unable to go to the beaches by ferries due to rough sea conditions.

Proposed works for pedestrian facilities in Sau Mau Ping gazetted

The Government gazetted today (August 2) the proposal to construct four pedestrian connectivity facilities to enhance the existing pedestrian connectivity network in the Sau Mau Ping area.

Details of the proposal are set out in the Annex. The plans and scheme of the works are available for public inspection at the following government offices during office hours:

Central and Western Home Affairs Enquiry Centre,
G/F, Harbour Building,
38 Pier Road, Central, Hong Kong

Kwun Tong Home Affairs Enquiry Centre,
G/F, The Grande Building,
398 Kwun Tong Road, Kwun Tong, Kowloon

District Lands Office, Kowloon East and Kowloon West,
4/F, South Tower, West Kowloon Government Offices,
11 Hoi Ting Road, Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon

The gazette notice, scheme, plans, resumption plan, plan for Creation of Easements and Other Permanent Rights, plan for Creation of Rights of Temporary Occupation of Land and location plan will be available at www.thb.gov.hk/eng/psp/publications/transport/gazette/gazette.htm.

Any person who wishes to object to the works or the use, or both, is required to address to the Secretary for Transport and Housing an objection in writing, which can be submitted via the following means:

- By post or by hand to the Transport and Housing Bureau's drop-in box No. 6 located at the entrance on 2/F, East Wing, Central Government Offices, 2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar, Hong Kong. The box is available for use between 8am and 7pm from Monday to Friday (except public holidays);
- By fax to 2868 4643; or

- By email to gazettethb@thb.gov.hk.

A notice of objection should describe the objector's interest and the manner in which he or she alleges that he or she will be affected by the works or the use. Objectors are requested to provide contact details to facilitate communication. A notice of objection should be delivered to the Secretary for Transport and Housing not later than October 2, 2019.