

# Rain finally comes



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Boarding a Santa Cruz bus and keeping dry provided a challenge yesterday.

## Weatherman expects more

The first significant rain of the season fell around the Monterey Bay yesterday, beginning in the afternoon and continuing into the night.

A gentle, steady rainfall dropped half-an-inch or more along the coast and in the Pajaro Valley, with higher readings in the Eureka Canyon and Felton areas.

A Santa Cruz County-wide power outage was attributed to the falling of a power line near Watsonville. It caused a

brief outage that affected 91,000 PG&E customers, starting at 11:17 a.m. Power was restored to most customers in five to seven minutes and to everyone by 11:41.

Few other rain-related incidents were reported.

Year-to-date rainfall is about normal for the season, which begins July 1. Last year's total rainfall of 13.01 inches was below normal.

Forecasters predict a chance of showers and a possibility of thundershowers

this evening, decreasing tomorrow, with partial clearing tomorrow afternoon.

### RAINFALL

	Last Season		Last
	24 hrs	Total Year	Year
Felton .....	.80	1.13	1.66
Santa Cruz.....	.30	.35	n.a.
Soquel .....	.64	.92	n.a.
Aptos.....	.58	.58	1.25
La Selva.....	.70	1.20	1.45
Corralitos.....	.59	.61	1.30
Eureka Canyon...	.68	.80	2.24
Watsonville .....	.60	.64	1.55
Aromas .....	.50	1.20	1.30