

Whether the weather of this year ?

Is 'normal' or from global warming ?

What has happened to the 'dive into the cold weather' for this (Chinese) seasonal period of Tai Yang ?

If you remember, we noted quite correctly that:

- During the Host Period of Yang Ming (Autumn) , beginning 24th September, the Guest was Shao Yang, quality of Heat. Subsequently, the period was 'too warm' ... which was noticeable to all.
- During the next Host Period of Tai Yang (Winter), beginning 23 November, the entering Guest is Yang Ming, quality of Cool-Dry. And we noted that there would be a very quick shift from being too warm to too cold and that it was exactly during that period (of change) in which one could easily become sick.

Both of these happened, the latter was a little late, but there was a significant, noticeable coldness in the air and in the foggy mist. Furthermore, the temperatures went to minus and there has been some initial snow.

Again, this snow was a little late, by about 5 days; and has now cleared turning into alternating rain, sleet and now hanging mist. (In this climatic zone of Örebro, in which I live; and see below *).

The question for ourselves, as followers of this traditional [Seasonal Calendar of 24 Solar Periods](#) is : whether we might expect this during this time ? That is if a warm winter is expected during this time. Or whether there is some other significant force which is creating more influence.

Reader: you cannot know of this information concerning this previous year as yet; so just to read it as it is. However, for the coming year, I will write explanatory-pedagogic articles, or you can purchase the Calendar which my colleague publishes, details below **.

According to the controlling climates of this year, dates of 24/01/20 – 10/02/21; half year change 20/07/20 ***

- The controller of the whole year is Shao Yin, quality of Fire.
- The controller of the second half of the year (which can colour that of the first), is Yang Ming, quality of Dry and Cool.

These should give an *underlying current* of generally warmer weather during the whole year, so that it would be a more comfortable temperate to warmer climate, turning more cool as one moves into the second half, from August onwards.

However, there is a strong deciding factor or influence upon this, which is the energetics of this year, that is the Stem (of Heaven) of *Geng* , the 6th in the cycle. The energetics of this are according to the dynamics or 'push and pull' of the '5 Elements or 5 Phase System' .

In 2020, Stem *Geng*, the excess Metal will have tendency of suppressing Wood, therefore as a counteraction one can expect an excess of Fire Element.

Thus, one would have expected this year to have been warm → hot and warmer → hotter than normal !!

- a) Stem *Geng* energetics make the year prone to excess Dryness with the counter-action of excess Heat
- b) The controlling climate of the year is Fire; leading into more Dry in the latter half.

Conclusion This year would have been hotter than normal, according to the 60 year cycle !!

In reference to the reports in media that 'this is the hottest year on record' it might be, but we need to put that into some reference. So, even if there is global warming**** , even though this is a super-hot year, it does not mean that the next will be increasingly hotter.

Because what we are noting is that there is a cyclical nature to the climate, which one is able to be understood and calculate.

Adding in the effects of the cycles of the ` Seasonal Movements` and the Seasonal Qi (Activities):

Seasonal Movements for 2020

We have not discussed these much, but according to the interaction of the different energetics of the Element of the year the seasonal movements could be early, on-time or late and stronger or weaker. (Details coming later for next year).

Seasonal Qi or Activities for 2020

These are the Host and Guest energies which we have been discussing.

The Host is obviously that normal cycle of the seasons. In the western seasonal calendar that would be Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter. The same sequence each year, however obviously of a different quality or weather each year, it can be a windy or rainy or stormy or warm Spring.

The Asian seasons are further delineated into 6 seasonal qualities: Spring, Early Summer, Mid-Summer, Late Summer, Autumn and Winter; each with a distinctive character. (Details coming later for next year).

The Guest energy is that which will be invited in according to the climatic activities of the particular year. That is what we have noted as Shao Yang, Fire entering into the Host of Yang Ming (Autumn) making it extra warm; and Yang Ming entering into Tai Yang (Winter), making it suddenly cold.

Summary of Influence of Seasonal Movements and Activities

The Yearly Energies (of this specific year, plus the yearly climates) dictate the underlying climates.

The Seasonal influences show as the `movement` of the seasons – if they are to arrive on time and their strength and as the `activity` – the particular influence which will more directly dictate the actual weather.

The 24 Solar Periods are the most representative and most consequent of the changes upon the Earth (obviously of the Sun's influence upon the nature of the Earth). The seasonal influences are both separate to, but an influence upon the Solar Periods.

With the Yearly Energies being more constant during the year and the 24 Solar Periods being a truer `rhythm` of the seasonal shifts. The Movement and the Activities are those energies which make influence and change.

What one will notice with all three of those aspects (pretty much in the order of significance of Solar Period, Movement, Activity) is that at that date of the year their climatic quality will become prominent.

So, at the date of Light Snow, there will be some snow, (or that weather according to the normal precipitation of the region); at the change of the Seasonal Period, there will be e.g. cold with the guest Yang Ming (Coolness).

Whether that new climatic quality continues shows whether it will become dominant or not.

Further Conclusion

Although the Solar Period has moved into Tai Yang, winter period, and the Seasonal Activity has introduced Yang Ming (Cool – as precursor to Cold), they have not been able to maintain their presence. The underlying current of the year of excess Warm → Heat has continued to dominate.

So that, although they did show their presence, correctly, at their date of inception; they did not manifest more fully.

The discussion, once again, has to be brought forward: is this, particular, warm winter a consequence of the global warming or of the cyclical energies ?

There definitely is a bigger shift from decade to decade; but we would have to note that this particular year was prone to heat so this warm winter can also be (partly) attributed to the play of these energetic interactions.

And the rest of Winter ?

As the year moves into 2021, keeping the details for later, in one word. **Stormy !!**

Do not expect much snow which will lay for along time (in this temperate climate), but do expect extremes of snow storms, even blizzards:

- 1) the underlying climate for the coming year is that of Wind, of Change and Movement
- 2) the first guest Activity is that of Jue Yin, Wind (in the Host of Jue Yin, Spring, date 21 January);
- 3) the first guest Movement is that of Water, *Shou Yu (as a musical note)*; which gives the movement of 'favourable generation'. Meaning that the seasons will be on time during the whole year (with some finer details, dependent upon other factors, which we save for later).

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Notes

* The maps show the different climate and growing zones; so that one remembers one needs to adjust one's expectation of the manifestation of the Solar Qi during the different periods.

The period of Light Snow in the north of Sweden will show as light snow or more snow, as one could easily have expected the first snow during the period of Frost Descends, 24 October; whereas in this lower zone of Örebro, the first snow *would* be expected at Light Snow, date 23 November (dependent upon the other variables which might influence that year).

Similarly, going further south within Europe, with climates which do not normally experience snow, at the time of the Light Snow there is likely to be more precipitation according to the norms of that region.

Growing Zones in Sweden http://www.tradgard.org/svensk_tradgard/zonkarta/zonkarta_stor.html

Climatic Zones in Sweden <https://www.slu.se/miljoanalys/statistik-och-miljodata/miljodata/webbtjanster-miljoanalys/markinfo/markinfo/standort/klimat/>

And this could be interesting reading: [Klimatanpassning from SMHI](#) . In Swedish

** Please see letter for ordering [Lunar-Solar Calendar for 2021](#)

*** Remember this is a Lunar-Solar Calendar. Solar Calendar begins 21 January each year; Lunar Calendar or the combined energetics of the two calendars in the understanding of Wu Yun Liu Qi = the 5 Movements (of Heaven) and the Six Qi or Activities (of Earth) gives the 60 year cycle, of which the First Day is different each year. Hence, the 'Chinese New Year' being a different date within the Gregorian (Western) Calendar each year.

**** Just as a note and disclaimer our of troubles. Yes, there is; but I am 100% unsure of causes. I think some of the discussions need to be much more nuanced (and much more nuanced than the media writes; but respect the insights of the David Attenborough's of the world); but I do think there are bigger solar, magnetic and geographical trends at play which are not calculated into the whole. E.g. the smaller or bigger shifts in the Earth's axis and even a major shift in the axis itself from North to South. *Which does not mean that we should not get our act together as a human race in cleaning up our act.*

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