

MONITORING EXPLOSIVE CYCLONES ON THE COAST OF THE ANTARCTIC CONTINENT

BY ROMAO, M. AND PIRES, L. B. M.

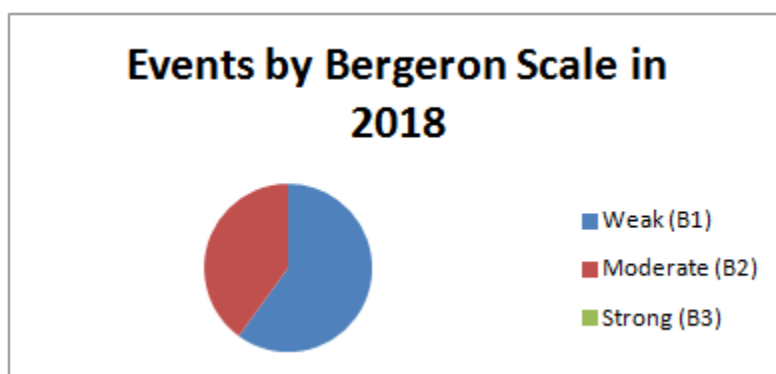
FEBRUARY 2018

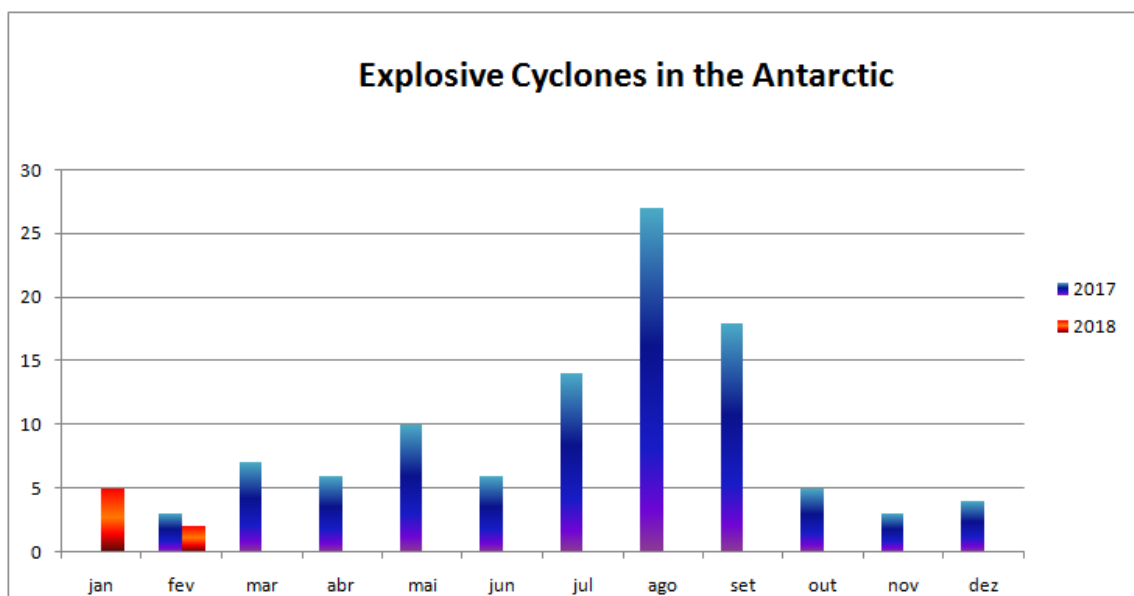
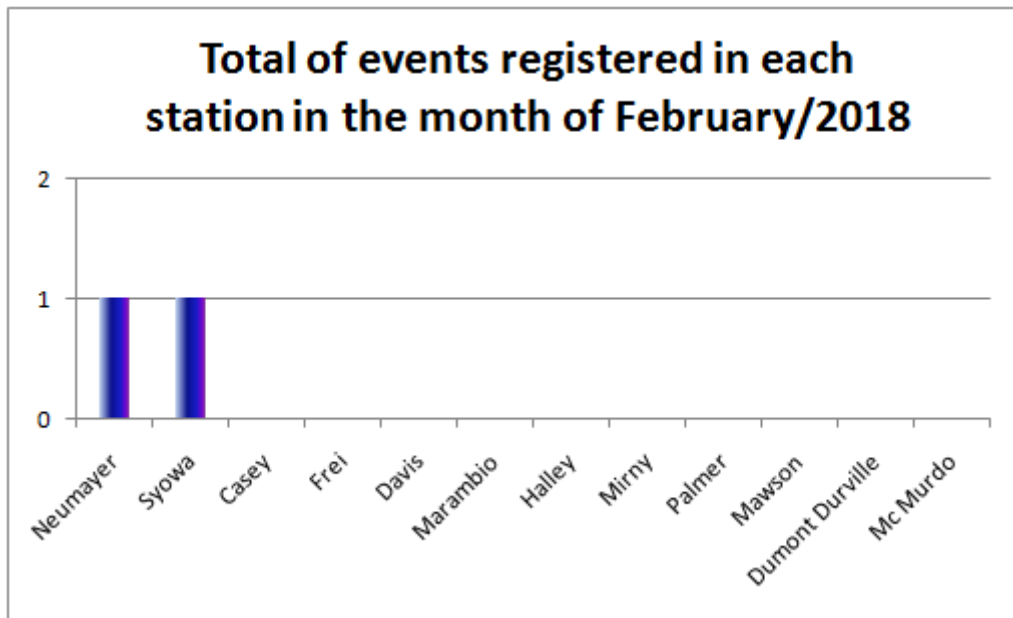
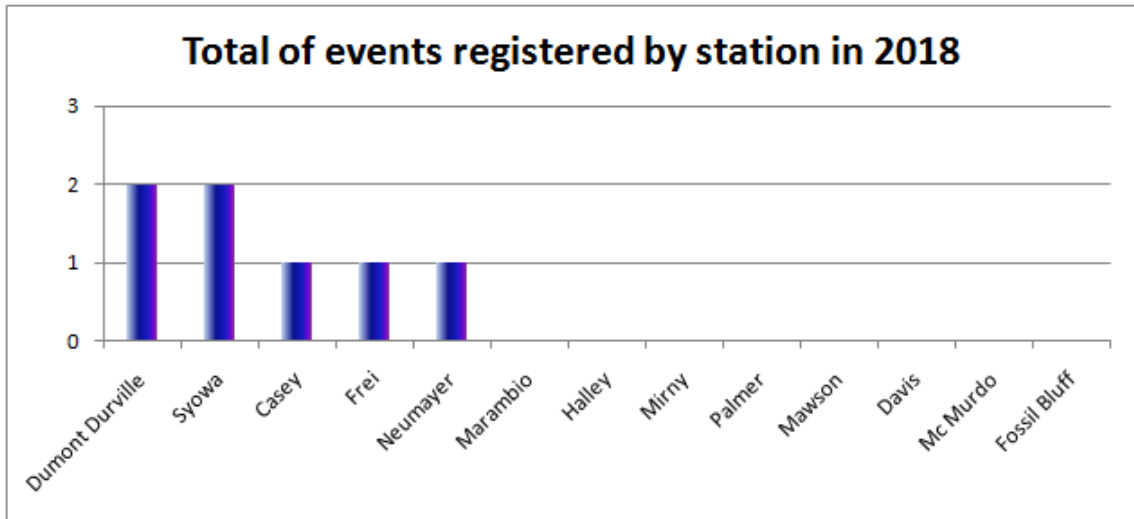
During this month, 02 events were recorded among the 13 research stations located on the coast of the Antarctic utilized as references for the monitoring of bomb cyclones. There was a decrease in cases both in relation to the previous month and the same month of February 2017. The stations that were affected by cyclones this month were: Syowa and Neumayer. The most intense cyclone recorded was no. 07/2018 at the Neumayer station on February 12th with sustained winds of up to 25.0 m/s (56 mph). The cyclone with the lowest recorded atmospheric pressure at sea level was also no. 07/2018 at the Neumayer station, with values reaching 954.4 hPa.

STATISTICS OF THE MONTH

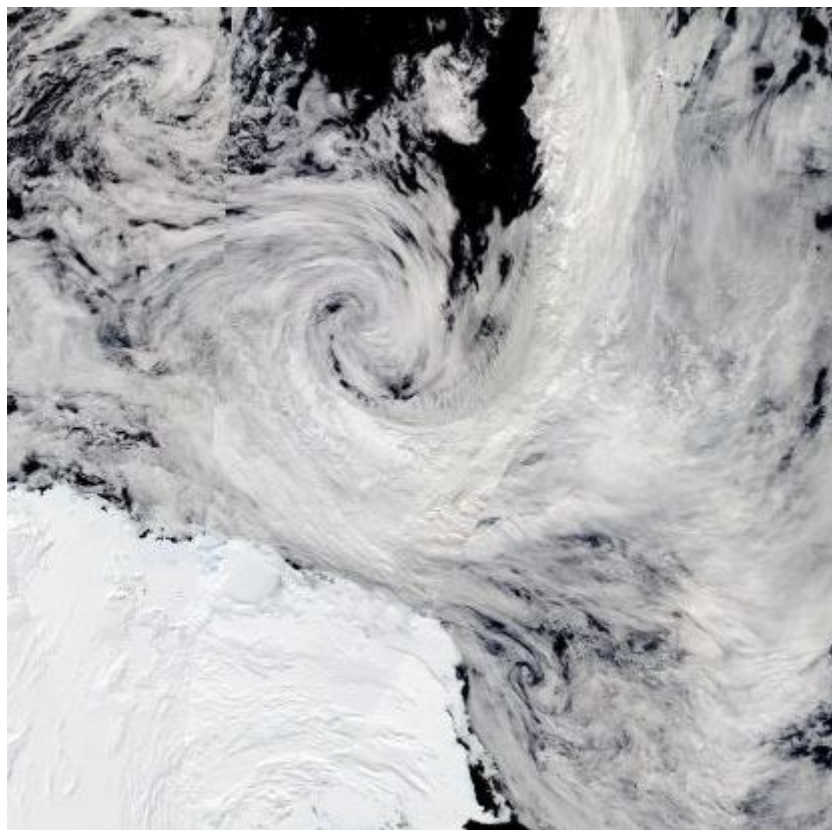
Classification	Bergeron Scale	Intensity	Total of cases registered in the month
B1	1 a 1.2	Weak	01
B2	1.3 a 1.8	Moderate	01
B3	>1.8	Strong	00

Highest pressure drop	Lowest recorded pressure	Highest sustained wind	Average minimum pressures	Mean of pressure drops
-30.6 hPa/24h	954.4 hPa	25 m/s	959.3 hpa	-28.6 hPa/24h
Syowa	Neumayer	Neumayer		
Feb. 07th	Feb. 12th	Feb. 12th		





BOMB CYCLONE N°06/2018- DATA: FEB/07/2018
LOCAL: SYOWA STATION – WMO 89532 (OPERATED BY JAPAN)



Drop of pressure in 24h	-30.6 hPa
Minimum pressure registered on station	964.2 hPa
Min. pressure estimation in the cyclone core	955 hPa
Sustained maximum wind	19.0 m/s (42 mph)
Maximum wind gust	None m/s (mph)
Bergeron	1.3 (moderate)

BOMB CYCLONE N°07/2018- DATA: FEB/12/2018
LOCAL: NEUMAYER STATION – WMO 89002 (OPERATED BY GERMANY)

No Image

Drop of pressure in 24h	-26.6 hPa
Minimum pressure registered on station	954.4 hPa
Min. pressure estimation in the cyclone core	950 hPa
Sustained maximum wind	25.0 m/s (56 mph)
Maximum wind gust	None m/s (mph)
Bergeron	1.1 (weak)

Sources:

AMRC – UW Madison

<https://worldview.earthdata.nasa.gov>

<http://www.bom.gov.au>

<https://data.aad.gov.au>

<http://www.smn.gov.ar>

<http://meteoarmada.directemar.cl>