

Re: shortest day

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"The Ghost In The Machine" <ewill@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:heir35-etk.ln1@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

: In sci.physics, Androcles

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: wrote

: on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 19:19:43 GMT

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:> "Uncle AI" <UncleAI0@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message

:> news:476ABE06.3F8D07A6@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

:>: Igor wrote:

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:>:> On Dec 19, 11:48 pm, aark...@xxxxxxxxx wrote:

:>:>> Hi all,

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:>:>> I recently read in a book that december 22 is the shortest day in

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:>:>> year, to what extent this is true..???

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:>:>> 1) is there any scientific basis for this claim ?

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:>:> No day is any shorter than any other. They're all 24 hours long.

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:>: Daylight duration is shortest at the solstices, twice/year. One is

:>: ever amazed that Yahweh and his three religions are astoundingly

:>: incapable of assembling a decent calendar.

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:>: Russia's October Revolution was in November, Israel's calendar has

:>: whole leap months, and the Muslim calendar is beneath contempt.

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: Gregorian: adjusted solar calendar

: Russian: unadjusted solar calendar

: Israel: intercalated lunar

: Muslim: was intercalated lunar, now pure lunar

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:> Look out window.

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- : > See big white ball in sky.
- : > When big white ball has gone, note time.
- : > Keep looking out window.
- : > When big white ball reappears, note time.
- : > Repeat daily.
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- : And how does one note the time without a timepiece?

water clock... candle clock... In this case a sundial would be the most appropriate.

I doubt Henri Wilson would agree 22 December was the shortest day, he'd probably say it was the longest, just to be his usual cantankerous self. Except where he lives he'd be right. I'm sure Paul Andersen would, though, his days are shorter than mine, and so are Eric Gisse's.

The Romans