

Skating memories show winters used to be colder

Roger Glenn Miller (Readers' Letters, Nov. 6) says he is 72 years old and the winters are the same now as when he was 16. Before you accept this as gospel, consider my testimony.

I am four years older than Mr. Miller, and when I was a boy in Newport we went ice skating every winter on the

"Big Pond" at the bottom of Green End Avenue in Middletown. I remember there was a warming shack there at the edge of the ice for the whole skating season.

Furthermore, my father was captain of the 1926 Rogers High School hockey team, which played a full schedule against other Rhode

Island schools — on outdoor rinks.

Of course, when I was young I didn't follow politics very closely, and it would be just like those liberals in Washington to change the freezing point to support their crackpot idea of global warming.

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