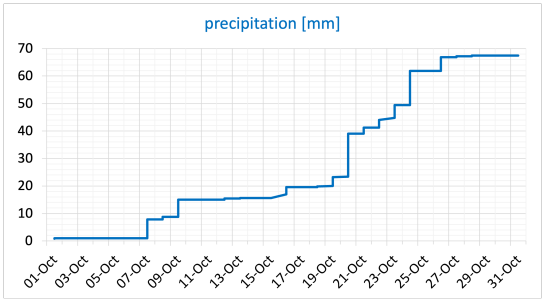
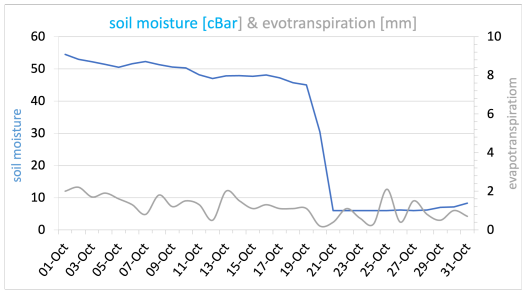
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Precipitation & Soil moisture:

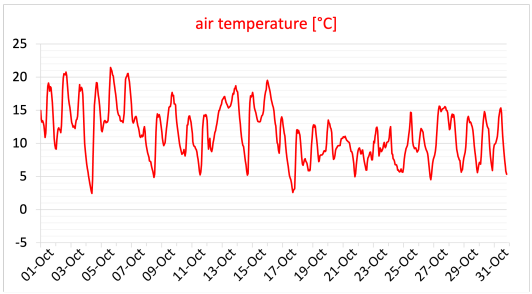
October is the wettest month in our area and this year it didn't really disappoint with 67.4mm of rainfall, which is only 4 percent below October's average. There were 14 days with no rain. Despite appearing to be a dry year, the 2026 average rainfall to date is 84 percent of that for our area. The soil moisture level rose suddenly as the rain finally saturated the ground at a depth of 30 cm, the point of measurement. Now it is drying slowly towards the ideal level of 10 – 30 cBar. The total evapotranspiration was 37 mm. The daily values are plotted on the chart below, using the right-hand scale.

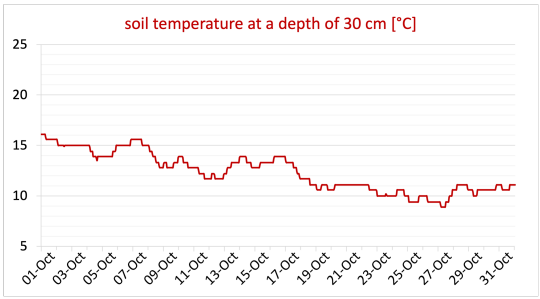




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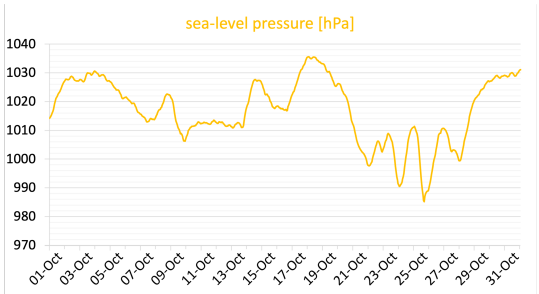
The average temperature was 11.4°C, which is 0.1°C below the area's average and 0.1°C above last October. There were no air frosts and 2 ground frosts. The highest temp at my site was 22.1°C on the 5th. The average soil temperature was 12.3°C, which is 1.7°C lower than the previous month.

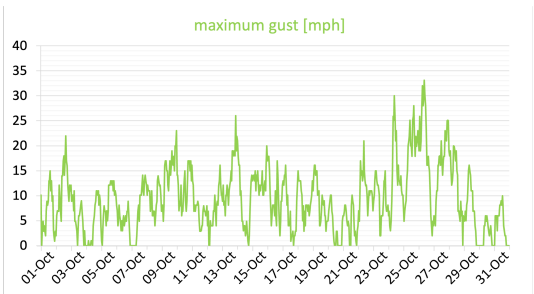




Atmospheric pressure & Windspeeds:

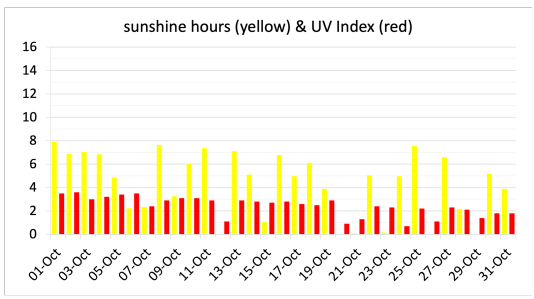
The pressure averaged 1018hPa. The maximum pressure was 1034hPa with a minimum of 998hPa. Westerly winds were strong at times. Despite passing over Scotland, Storm *Boelo* delivered a maximum gust here of 33 mph on the 25th.

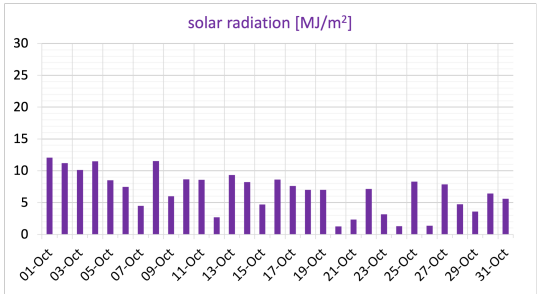




Sunshine hours & UV Index:

This October was an unusually sunny month with 133 sunshine hours, which is 20 percent above average and 85 hours more than last October. There were 3 days with no sunshine. The UV Index averaged 2, quite normal for this time of year. Solar radiation still falls rapidly at this time of year as the sun nears its lowest point in the sky in December.





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