FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Lake George / St. Johns area

Lake George / St. Johns

Florida

Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Eastern Time · Largemouth

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

6/10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Stable pattern	+ No lightning	− Up to 15 mph · open-water chop	− Rain up to ~59%	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **71–74°F**, lows **64–67°F**, rain chance up to **~59%**. Story is the wet stretch — bite windows ride the rain timing, not the calendar.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

71° F high

LOW	64°F
SKY	Partly Sunny then Slight Chance Rain Showers
WIND	NNE 10 mph
RAIN	~53%
SUN	6:50 AM / 5:31 PM

Frame: Wet day — fish the front side of the rain; slow down and stay close to cover after it passes.

TUESDAY NOV 17

72° F high

LOW	65°F
SKY	Rain Showers Likely
WIND	NNE 10–15 mph
RAIN	~59%
SUN	6:51 AM / 5:30 PM

Frame: Wet day — fish the front side of the rain; slow down and stay close to cover after it passes.

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

74° F high

LOW	67°F
SKY	Chance Rain Showers
WIND	NNE 15 mph
RAIN	~54%
SUN	6:52 AM / 5:30 PM

Frame: Wet day — fish the front side of the rain; slow down and stay close to cover after it passes.

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: NNE · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING
- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:50 AM EST) → ~9 AM**
- Use any ripple as cover

MIDDAY
- Shade lines, docks, deeper edges
- Electronics for bait height first
- Slow down once the sun is overhead

EVENING
- Revisit shallow shade as sun drops
- Topwater if the surface lays down
- Weekday traffic is lighter — work quiet pockets

FALL TRANSITION **Largemouth plan: Follow shad into the backs of creeks and flats 1-10 ft; spinnerbait, squarebill and topwater at a fast pace.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

Largemouth are in the fall transition — following bait into creeks and onto flats as water cools.

Basis: estimated water ~71°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

NATURAL FORAGE

What's on the menu: No dated forage report for this window turned up. The most likely meals are shiners and threadfin shad where present, bluegill and other sunfish around reeds and pads, and crawfish and grass shrimp in the vegetation.

ALSO BITING

Also hot: Bluegill and redear around reed edges and docks, and black crappie (speckled perch) starting to gather on deeper brush and open-water edges as nights cool. Check FWC rules for size and bag limits.

PRESSURE

Weekday traffic — lighter than the weekend. Fish early, give ramps and swim areas room.

WATER BOARD — LAKE CHEAT SHEET

FIXED Natural / small-impoundment water — no generation table. Check access rules and level notes with the managing agency before you go.

ITEM	NOTE	SOURCE
Clarity	Clarity is unconfirmed, so start with natural shad and bluegill colors and darken only if banks stain.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

The Lake George Boat Ramp at 58300 Lake George Road in Astor and the Butler Street Boat Ramp on the St. Johns at Astor both have public shoreline nearby. Cypress knees, pilings, and woody debris around Astor reward a Texas rig or a soft jerkbait.

KAYAK

Lake George is huge and turns dangerous in wind, so paddle the spring runs instead: Salt Springs Run, where the Salt Springs Marina has a paid kayak launch, Silver Glen Run, and Juniper Creek. Fish eelgrass and wood along the run edges with a weightless worm. Stay out of the marked channel, which carries barges and big boats.

BOAT

Launch at the Lake George Boat Ramp or Butler Street in Astor. The jetties at the south end, where the St. Johns enters, hold bass and sunshine bass when water is moving, so throw a lipless crankbait or swimbait there.

LURE BOX

TOP

Walking topwater (bone / white) at first light. Hollow-body frog (white or black) over pads. Buzzbait along reed and grass edges.

MID

Bladed jig or spinnerbait (white / chartreuse shad). Squarebill crankbait (craw / shad) on wood and riprap. Swim jig through thin grass.

BOTTOM

Texas-rigged worm (green pumpkin / junebug). Flipping jig or creature bait in the thickest cover. Wacky or Ned rig on isolated targets.