FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Pushaw Lake area

Pushaw Lake

Maine

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

7 /10 — Fair odds

0 2 4 6 8 10

PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Mostly stable	+ No lightning	+ 8–9 mph usable ripple	+ Clear / sunny (~0%)	− Winter	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **47–55°F**, lows **26–34°F**, rain chance up to **~0%**. Story is light and bait position — dawn and last light carry the window.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

47° F high

LOW	26°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	NW 5–8 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:33 AM / 4:05 PM

Frame: Cold start — let the sun warm the shallows; the better bite often comes later in the day.

TUESDAY NOV 17

51° F high

LOW	32°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SW 5–9 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:34 AM / 4:04 PM

Frame: Cold start — let the sun warm the shallows; the better bite often comes later in the day.

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

55° F high

LOW	34°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	W 6–9 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:35 AM / 4:03 PM

Frame: Cold start — let the sun warm the shallows; the better bite often comes later in the day.

Window: Mon–Wed | Air: NW → SW → W | Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:33 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

WINTER **Largemouth plan: Fish 15-30 ft bluff ends and channel swings; slow-roll a jig, blade bait or suspending jerkbait with long pauses.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

Largemouth are in the winter pattern — slow metabolism, holding deep and tight to structure.

Basis: estimated water ~48°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response), adjusted by 1 nearby USGS lake gauge; no water-temperature gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

NATURAL FORAGE

Yellow perch, golden shiners, and crayfish are the main fall forage, so perch and shiner colors on swimbaits and jerkbaits, and brown or green pumpkin tubes and worms, match best.

ALSO BITING

Chain pickerel. Pickerel are common on Pushaw's weed edges and hit spinnerbaits, swimbaits, and jerkbaits.

PRESSURE

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

DAM & WATER — CONFIRM BEFORE YOU LAUNCH

FIXED Dam-controlled water. No shared generation/level feed this cycle — check the agency page the morning you fish; releases and pool levels change daily. Stay outside buoyed restricted zones.

ITEM	NOTE	SOURCE
Confirm	Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife	maine.gov
Clarity	Color match: Use perch, crayfish brown, and green pumpkin in clear water.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Shore access on Pushaw is limited, since most of the shoreline is private camps. The public boat launch at the south end in Glenburn is the most practical place to fish from shore where posted. Cast a spinnerbait, a swim jig, or a tube along weed edges and rock within reach, and fish later in the morning after cold nights.

KAYAK

Paddle when the wind lies down. Launch at the south-end public launch and work the nearest coves, weed edges, and rocky points with a swim jig, a tube, or a small swimbait. Pushaw's shallow coves are made for a kayak on a calm day.

BOAT

Launch at the public boat launch at the south end. Fish protected docks and weed edges while showers pass. Run weed edges, rock, and points with a spinnerbait, a jerkbait, or a swim jig in the late morning, then slow down with a tube or a Texas-rigged worm in the afternoon.

LURE BOX

TOP

Swim jig or frog along weed edges on the calm Walking bait over rocky points late in the day. Buzzbait on shallow flats once the sun warms them.

MID

Spinnerbait (white or chartreuse) along weed edges. Suspending jerkbait on rocky points. Small swimbait along weed lines.

BOTTOM

Texas-rigged worm (green pumpkin) in the weeds. Tube on rock and bars. Ned rig on deeper edges after cold nights.