FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Johnsons Pond area

Johnsons Pond

Maryland

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

Strong odds

9/10

0 2 4 6 8 10

PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Mostly stable	+ No lightning	+ 6–8 mph usable ripple	+ Clear / sunny (~0%)	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **53–61°F**, lows **32–36°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

53° F high

LOW	32°F
SKY	Areas Of Frost then Sunny
WIND	NW 3–8 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:45 AM / 4:49 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

56° F high

LOW	36°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	NW 1–6 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:46 AM / 4:48 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

61° F high

LOW	36°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	W 2–6 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:47 AM / 4:48 PM

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

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:45 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 ~59°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a pond (10-day response); no water-temperature gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

NATURAL FORAGE

Mid-40s nights will start cooling the shallows, and baitfish will begin moving around the pond. What's on the menu: No local forage report was available for this Cast window, but Maryland DNR has noted gizzard shad, golden shiners, and chub suckers in Johnson'

ALSO BITING

Chain pickerel · crappie. Chain pickerel: they become more active as the water cools and will hit spinnerbaits, small spoons, and soft plastics along the grass and wood; bring pliers for their teeth.

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
Permit / regs	Check the signs at the ramp for current boating and fishing rules, including the special bass regulations that have been posted for this pond.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

The best shore spot is the L-shaped pier beside the Rose Street ramp, which reaches deeper water near the lower end of the pond. Much of the rest of the shoreline backs onto private property, so stay on the public ramp grounds. Throw a small spinnerbait or a lipless crankbait from the pier and along the shoreline next to the ramp.

KAYAK

A kayak is a great way to fish this small pond. Launch at the Rose Street ramp and paddle to the shallower upper end where the North Prong comes . The breeze is light enough for a kayak, but stay along the sheltered shore.

BOAT

Johnson's Pond is about 100 acres, so a small boat with a trolling motor covers it easily; read the posted signs at the Rose Street ramp for current motor rules. Work the wind-blown shoreline cover and docks with a spinnerbait or squarebill.

LURE BOX

TOP

A buzzbait, popper, or walking bait over the shallow cover is a good bet afternoon evening. Skip it morning after the cold night.

MID

Spinnerbaits, squarebills, and lipless crankbaits in shad and shiner colors match the forage. A small paddle-tail swimbait is a good choice when fish are following but not biting.

BOTTOM

A Texas-rigged worm, a creature bait, or a small jig in green pumpkin or black and blue is the plan. Fish slowly around wood and the deeper edges. Coastal-plain water: Lower Shore ponds often carry a tea-colored tint from the surrounding wetlands.