FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Prairie Queen Lake area

Prairie Queen Lake

Nebraska

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

6/10

Fair odds

0 2 4 6 8 10

PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Stable pattern	+ No lightning	− Up to 20 mph · unsafe chop	+ Clear / sunny (~6%)	~ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **58–63°F**, lows **41–46°F**, rain chance up to **~6%**. Story is wind — pick banks the breeze is hitting and keep crossings short.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

58° F high

LOW	41°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	S 5–13 mph
RAIN	~1%
SUN	7:13 AM / 5:04 PM

Frame: Stable day — first-light moving bait, then slow down around shade and cover once the sun is up.

TUESDAY NOV 17

61° F high

LOW	46°F
SKY	Partly Sunny
WIND	S 10–18 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:14 AM / 5:03 PM

Frame: Breeziest day — use ripple on wind-blown banks and points; open-water chop is higher risk.

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

63° F high

LOW	43°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	S 16–20 mph
RAIN	~6%
SUN	7:15 AM / 5:03 PM

Frame: Breeziest day — use ripple on wind-blown banks and points; open-water chop is higher risk.

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:13 AM CST) → ~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: Slow down: steep points, channel drops and remaining grass just outside the creeks, between the fall flats and the 15-30 ft winter depth; suspending jerkbait with long pauses, jig-and-pig or blade bait crawled down the slope.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

Largemouth are in the late fall transition — water under the mid-50s, so bass are sliding off the shallow flats toward steeper points and channel drops near their fall feeding areas.

Basis: estimated water ~55°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

Green pumpkin and natural shad cover most sunny scenarios.

ALSO BITING

Brush and docks. Shallows early.

PRESSURE

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

gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

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
Clarity	Drop-shot on clear water.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Priority bank: Prairie Queen Lake public shoreline near the ramp. Skip shoulder-to-shoulder stacks for largemouth bass. At Prairie Queen Lake, the next legal public bank is usually a short walk.

KAYAK

Launch toward Prairie Queen protected shoreline. Keep the hull off submerged rock when glare hides bottom. Focus on largemouth bass with the camera stowed.

BOAT

Boat plan is Prairie Queen public ramp and open water, largemouth bass, and safety at Prairie Queen Lake. Kill switch , PFD . Cold water is not July water.

LURE BOX

TOP

Topwater at dawn. Spinnerbaits along cover. Frogs over remaining grass.

MID

Jigs and craws. Texas-rigged plastics.

BOTTOM

Texas rigs under high sun. Drop-shot on clear water. Carolina rigs on deeper edges.