Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Lake Anna area

Lake Anna

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

8/10 — Strong odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Mostly stable	+ No lightning	+ 1–3 mph usable ripple	+ Clear / sunny (~0%)	~ Fall transition · turnover	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **57–65°F**, lows **31–32°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

57° F high

LOW	31°F
SKY	Widespread Frost then Sunny
WIND	N 0–3 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:52 AM / 4:58 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

60° F high

LOW	32°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	NW 1 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:53 AM / 4:57 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

65° F high

LOW	32°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	SW 1 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:55 AM / 4:57 PM

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

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:52 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. Possible turnover window on stratified reservoirs — the bite can go off for a few days.

Basis: estimated water ~58°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

Fall shad migration. As the upper lake cools, shad are moving into the creeks, and largemouth are following them shallow to feed before winter.

ALSO BITING

Striped bass chase shad on the main lake and can be found by watching for birds and surface activity. Crappie are moving toward brush and bridge pilings.

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 — GENERATION SCHEDULE

FIXED Dam-controlled water. No generation schedule posted by the operator for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 — check the operator page the morning you fish; releases and pool levels change daily. Stay outside buoyed restricted zones.

ITEM	NOTE	SOURCE
Lake Anna Dam And Reservoir	No generation schedule posted by the operator for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Observed: observed flow at USGS 01670400 (North Anna River Near Partlow, Va) 37 cfs (Mon 3:15 AM CT)	the operator
Permit / regs	Check the live Virginia DWR regulations before you keep fish.	
Clarity	All were low evening, which points to clear water in the creeks.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Lake Anna State Park and posted public access near Bumpass and Mineral put docks, riprap, and points within a short walk. Verify park hours and fees, and keep ramps clear. Cast a walking bait or buzzbait along shady banks while the fog lingers, then switch to a wacky rig around docks and riprap.

KAYAK

Launch at Lake Anna State Park or another posted public access, and head into the nearest creek. The upper-lake creeks are ideal kayak water this week, with calm mornings and shad moving . Work the backs of creeks with a walking bait or buzzbait early, then fish docks and wood with a wacky rig or Texas rig.

BOAT

Wait for the fog to lift enough to run safely, then fish the backs of upper-lake creeks with topwater and spinnerbaits, and move to docks as the sun rises. Start in the creeks, then work main-lake points and docks with a squarebill or jig.

LURE BOX

TOP

Walking bait or popper (bone / shad) at first light. Buzzbait along shady banks early. Hollow frog over grass or pads where present.

MID

Spinnerbait (white / chartreuse) on windy points. Squarebill crankbait around docks and wood. Lipless crankbait through shad schools.

BOTTOM

Texas-rigged creature bait or worm (green pumpkin). Wacky rig under docks. Jig and craw trailer on wood and rock.