Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Kerr / Buggs Island (VA) area

Kerr / Buggs Island (VA)

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

Strong odds

9/10

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

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **57–63°F**, lows **34–36°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

57° F high

LOW	36°F
SKY	Widespread Frost then Sunny
WIND	N 0–3 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:51 AM / 5:04 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	36°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	NE 2 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:52 AM / 5:03 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

63° F high

LOW	34°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	N 1 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:53 AM / 5:02 PM

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

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:51 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 ~62°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

Fall shad migration. Largemouth are following shad into the creeks and feeding before winter.

ALSO BITING

Crappie are moving toward brush and bridge pilings, and striped bass chase shad on the main lake. Check the live Virginia DWR regulations before you keep fish.

PRESSURE

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

gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

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 live Virginia DWR regulations before you keep fish.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Occoneechee State Park and the public shoreline around Clarksville put riprap, wood, and creek mouths within a short walk. Verify park hours and fees. Cast a walking bait or buzzbait along shady banks while the fog lingers, then switch to a Texas rig or wacky rig around wood.

KAYAK

Launch at Occoneechee State Park or another posted Virginia-side access, and stay in the nearest creek. The creeks are calm and full of shad this week. Work the backs of creeks with topwater early, then fish wood with a Texas rig or swim jig.

BOAT

Launch from Occoneechee State Park or North Bend Park, and wait for the fog to lift before you run. Fish the backs of Virginia-side creeks with topwater and spinnerbaits early, then work wood and secondary points with a jig or Texas rig as the sun rises. Follow the bait out toward points in the afternoon.

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.