Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Shawano Lake area

Shawano Lake

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

Strong odds

8/10

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Mostly stable	+ No lightning	+ 9–12 mph usable ripple	+ Clear / sunny (~4%)	~ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **51–56°F**, lows **34–44°F**, rain chance up to **~4%**. Story is light and bait position — dawn and last light carry the window.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

51° F high

LOW	34°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SW 5–10 mph
RAIN	~2%
SUN	6:52 AM / 4:24 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

55° F high

LOW	37°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SSW 9 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:53 AM / 4:23 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

56° F high

LOW	44°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SSW 7–12 mph
RAIN	~4%
SUN	6:55 AM / 4:23 PM

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

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:52 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 ~50°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

What's on the menu: bluegill, pumpkinseed, yellow perch and minnows. Match that with bluegill- and perch-colored jigs and soft plastics, and translucent minnow baits.

ALSO BITING

Pumpkinseed · bluegill. Wisconsin DNR's 2023 survey ranked Shawano Lake's pumpkinseed among the best in the state; small jigs near weeds catch them.

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
Shawano	No generation schedule posted by the operator for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18	the operator
Permit / regs	Check the current Wisconsin DNR fishing regulations before you keep any fish.	
Clarity	Suspending jerkbait with long pauses in clear water Texas-rigged creature bait or worm on the deep weed edge.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Shawano Lake County Park offers the easiest public shore access, with a boat launch, short-term docks and a fish-cleaning station. Cattau Beach and the Stark Road landing are other public access points.

KAYAK

Launch at Shawano Lake County Park, Cattau Beach or another public landing near a sheltered area. Are the calmest days for paddling. The south-southwest wind can make this big, shallow lake rough quickly on the north and east shores, so stay along the south shore or in sheltered bays.

BOAT

Launch at Shawano Lake County Park, which has short-term docks and a fish-cleaning station, or at one of the other public landings Wisconsin DNR lists. A Shawano County launch pass applies. Shawano Lake is shallow over much of its area, so run carefully and trim up near weeds.

LURE BOX

TOP

Walking bait or popper over weed flats at first light. Hollow-body frog over the last green pads on calm mornings. Topwater usually fades once the sun gets high.

MID

Spinnerbait or bladed jig along weed edges on windy days. Lipless crankbait ripped through the tops of weeds. Suspending jerkbait with long pauses in clear water.

BOTTOM

Texas-rigged creature bait or worm on the deep weed edge. Drop-shot or wacky-rigged finesse worm on calm days. Football jig or Ned rig in green pumpkin on hard bottom.