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## Manasquan Reservoir: Late-Sep Largemouth Bass Midweek Plan

Monday Sep 21 – Thursday Sep 24, 2026 · Manasquan Reservoir · bank, kayak & boat · times in **ET**

No named trail event pulled for Mon–Thu window

Mon ~71°F / precip ~14% · Tue ~66°F / precip ~68% · Wed ~66°F / precip ~33% · Thu ~66°F / precip ~26%

Primary: largemouth bass

Weekday soft recreational pressure

Late September on Manasquan Reservoir — lead with largemouth bass while the Mon–Thu window still moves fish, and keep midweek NWS PHI sky in the plan.

### • MIDWEEK OUTLOOK

**NWS PHI** near Farmingdale (pulled Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 9:48 PM ET). Pattern for the Monday **Cast** window (all clock times **ET**): see day cards. Soft weekday recreational pressure. **No named trail event pulled for Mon–Thu window.** Looking ahead 1–3 weeks: no additional sourced trail event confirmed at gather — re-check state/club calendars.

**Barometer / clarity:** METAR baro not bound this run — STATUS THIN. Clarity qualitative only for late Sep; expect clearer main lake / stained after rain in creeks.

**Pattern:** Monmouth reservoir (not inlet); LM + hybrids

#### MONDAY

**High:** 71°F

**Sky:** Mostly Cloudy

**Wind:** 5 to 10 mph NE

**Precip:** 14% storm/precip chance

Times in **ET**

#### TUESDAY

**High:** 66°F

**Sky:** Rain Showers Likely

**Wind:** 10 to 15 mph NE

**Precip:** 68% storm/precip chance

Times in **ET**

### WEDNESDAY

**High:** 66°F

**Sky:** Chance Rain Showers

**Wind:** 15 to 20 mph NE

**Precip:** 33% storm/precip chance

Times in **ET**

### THURSDAY

**High:** 66°F

**Sky:** Chance Rain Showers

**Wind:** 10 to 15 mph NE

**Precip:** 26% storm/precip chance

Times in **ET**

## ● DAM & CURRENT / LEVELS CHEAT SHEET

Reservoir product — not Manasquan Inlet / salt E0 prices: not listed — verify at pump Hydrology/ levels THIN — re-check agency boards Lake/river levels and any hydro schedule: **THIN at gather** — re-check USGS / state agency / dam boards before launch. Do not invent pool elevations or generation unit counts.

Say **Generator schedule** when hydro applies (e.g. Connecticut River). Re-check before launch.

## ● HOW TO FISH IT — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

### BANK

Dawn/dusk on points, rock, and shade for **largemouth bass**

Skip blast-off lanes on weekends; weekdays softer

Public ramps/parks — live-check access hours

### KAYAK

Windward protected coves if midweek breeze builds

Work transitions: weed-to-rock, channel swings

PFD on; cold mornings possible late Sep in north NH

### BOAT

Idle zones / no-wake near docks and marinas

Electronics on bait schools for primary **largemouth bass**

Re-check wind before open-water runs

## ● ETHANOL-FREE FUEL NEAR THIS WATER

**Drum Point Marina** — 770 Drum Point Road, Brick 08723, NJ · ~12.3 mi · 99 octane E0price not listed — verify at pump732-477-3736[Pure-Gas](#)

**Delta** — 717 Liberty Ave, Union, NJ · ~36.4 mi · 87, 89, 93 octane E0price not listed — verify at pump[Pure-Gas](#)

**Mighty Joe's Gas** — 1231 Route 206, Shamong, NJ · ~38.4 mi · 91 octane E0price not listed — verify at pump609-268-0303[Pure-Gas](#)

Listed E0 stations as of Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 9:48 PM ET from Pure-Gas.org (crowdsourced). Pump prices not confirmed at gather — may change; verify at the pump. Call ahead. Distances rough to this water.

## • LURE BOX — TOP / MID / BOTTOM

### TOP

Walking bait / popper at low light

Buzzbait on cloudy edges

Small topwater matching forage profile

### MID

Soft jerk / fluke (natural)

Spinnerbait if stain after rain

Small swimbait / underspin for baitfish

### BOTTOM

Ned / drop-shot finesse

Jig / soft craw on rock

Football / shaky for deeper largemouth bass

**Stain/clear:** Prefer natural/smoke/green in clear; chartreuse if stained after cells. Match What's on the menu.

## • PRIMARY LIFE STAGE + WHAT'S ON THE MENU

**Primary species this week:** largemouth bass — Monmouth reservoir (not inlet); LM + hybrids

**What's on the menu** (dated hatch thin — most likely late Sep): shad; bluegill. Match size/profile; do not invent a specific hatch.

## • ALSO HOT / ALSO IN SEASON

- **hybrid striped bass** — short in-season note; live-check regs
- **crappie** — short in-season note; live-check regs

Regs: live-link only — NHFG Fish & Wildlife / NJDEP Fish & Wildlife. Do not hardcode lengths.

## • LOOKING AHEAD

Next 1–3 weeks: cooling nights may sharpen early-fall feel. **Heavy Traffic:** no named trail event sourced for Mon–Thu; re-pull calendars for next weekend. Levels/boards change — re-check before launch.

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**Sources:** NWS api.weather.gov (PHI) Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 9:48 PM ET; Pure-Gas.org E0 Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 9:48 PM ET; this water from locked nh-bass/nj-bass cast-pins. Hydrology THIN this gather. Schedules change — re-check before launch.

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