

*Fish Kentucky Lake
with Guide Captain Rich Bay*



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Your fishing report for July 29, 2016

From the deck of the Kick'n Bass pontoon

Weather forecast is for highs in the mid to upper 80's for the next week with scattered thunderstorms on some days. Still pretty hot so bring alot of water and sunscreen for your ventures out in the lake (or beach!))! Water levels are stable for now but we have some possible weather events coming in. Fishing has been good for the last ten days or so and I expect that to continue. They blew up the old Eggner Ferry bridge this week and how fitting was it was to see the Delta Marina cruising by...the ship that knocked 322 feet of that bridge down in 2012.



The Delta Mariner on the lake this week

Lake conditions

Water temps are 89 degrees in the morning and warming up to about 93 degrees in the afternoons. Water color on the main lake is very clear to about 4 feet. Levels are at 358.85, a bit under summer pool (359.0 elevation) and they are pulling water to bring back to normal for this time of year which is elevation 358.0.

You can view the lake levels here: tva.gov/Environment/Lake-Levels/Kentucky

Weather forecast

Saturday...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 80s. Southwest winds 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday Night...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 70. Southwest winds 5 mph in the evening becoming calm after midnight.

Sunday...Partly sunny with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. Southeast winds 5 mph in the morning shifting to the southwest around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Sunday Night...Partly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms.

Lows in the lower 70s.

Monday...Partly sunny with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s.

Monday Night...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s.

Tuesday...Partly sunny with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s.

Tuesday Night...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 70s.

Wednesday...Mostly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 90s.

Wednesday Night...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 70s

Thursday...Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 90s.

Crappies

Crappies are still in summer mode and we have caught some on the ledges pulling Arkie crankbaits. Not hot and heavy but they are there along with many other fish.

Largemouth

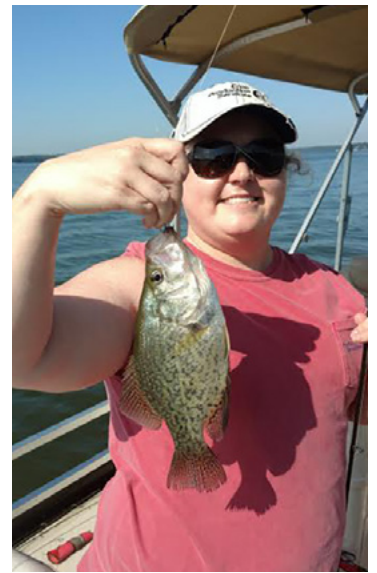
The summer ledge pattern has taken ahold on Kentucky Lake. Those that the toon has caught were while pulling crankbaits or tossing a [Steel Shad](#) bladebait and Ken's hybrid inline spinners for whitebass. Swim baits, Steelshad bladebaits, shaky head worms and Texas rigged creature baits have been catching fish. Fishing your lure real slow has helped the bite. Several friends of mine that guide have been night fishing and have been catching huge Largemouth and Smallmouth. Lure choices have been shaky heads, big dark colored spinnerbaits and big creature baits by Z Man fished on the main lake shores.

Redear/Bluegill

I did not get the chance to fish for gills and redears this week so I do not have a report. We did catch a nice gill on a Steelshad that was hanging out in 25 feet of water!

Whitebass

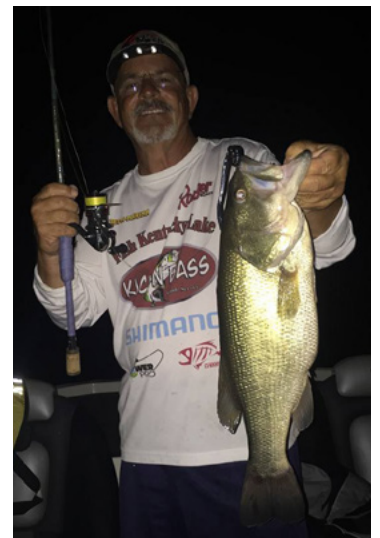
The Whitebass are still into their summer patterns as well. They are stacking up on river channels and deep flats mid lake. When the TVA is generating electricity, Whitebass and Yellowbass have really picked up the bite! They seem to be feeding on a huge hatch of pin minnows that look like clouds on



Tara Tubbs of Union City, TN



Andrew Durrer shows off his nice largemouth with the Captain



Randy Kuhens with a whopper

my Lowrance HDS12. We have caught a bunch on Steel Shads blade baits and Ken's Hybrid spinners. Best tip for catching stripes is to always stay in contact with the bottom. We have been catching fish from the bottom to ripping our lures up 6 to 8 feet off the bottom. They have been feeding very aggressively and there is nothing like a pound and a half Whitebass trying to yank the pole out of your hand!

Catfish

Didn't get a chance to fish for cats this week but caught a few while whitebass fishing. Most catfishers have been fishing the deep drops and holes up to sixty feet deep.

Precision Sonar

Are you having trouble reading your Lowrance electronics? Not sure what you are looking at? Good at electronics but not getting readings or screens set up like you would like? I've been there and still have questions so I called Randy Kuhens from www.precisionsonar.com Randy is the man when it comes to reading and understanding your Lowrance products. His "on the water" class is far and away the best anywhere. Give Randy a call and he can get your electronics exactly to where you want them!!!

Attaboy:

Today me and my dad went out with Captain Rich and he is one of the most knowledgeable men I've ever met when it comes to this stuff. He had me catching more fish than I have in the past year! He is so nice and helped me out so much. I will definitely come back. Sam M.



The Durrers from Waterloo Il with their pontoon catch



Joe Anderson from Louisville had a great day with Cap'n Rich

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