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Your fishing report for August 12, 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. The humidity has been real high and the light breeze has felt nice. Water levels are on a slow downfall as the TVA is lowering the lake towards winter pool. The good news in that is we will have a little more steady current in the lake. Still pretty hot so bring a lot of water and sunscreen for your ventures out in the lake.

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 358.5, a bit under summer pool (359.0 elevation) and they are pulling water to bring the lake back to normal for this time of year which is elevation 357.0.

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

Weather forecast

Friday... Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. South winds around 5 mph. Highest heat index readings around 100.

Friday Night... Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 70s. South winds 5 mph.

Saturday... Mostly cloudy. A chance of showers and thunderstorms in the morning...Then showers and thunderstorms likely in the afternoon. Locally heavy rainfall possible in the afternoon. Highs in the mid 80s. South winds around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation 70 percent.

Saturday Night... Showers and thunderstorms likely. Locally heavy rainfall possible. Lows in the lower 70s. Chance of precipitation 70 percent.



Owen Lepisto of Benton, KY
with a mess of whites

Sunday... Mostly cloudy with showers and thunderstorms likely. Highs in the mid 80s. Chance of precipitation 70 percent.

Sunday Night... Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s.

Monday... Showers and thunderstorms likely. Highs in the lower 80s. Chance of precipitation 60 percent.

Monday Night... Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s.

Tuesday... Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 80s.

Tuesday Night... Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s.

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



Alan Petefish of Festus, Mo
with a nice smallie

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. We have caught a bunch on [Steel Shad](#) 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 on the bottom to ripping our lures up 6 to 8 feet off the bottom. This past week jigging spoons kept near the bottom have caught a lot of fish as when there isn't much current one has to put the bait right in front of them. This week we saw some of the largest yellowbass that I have caught ever...good news!



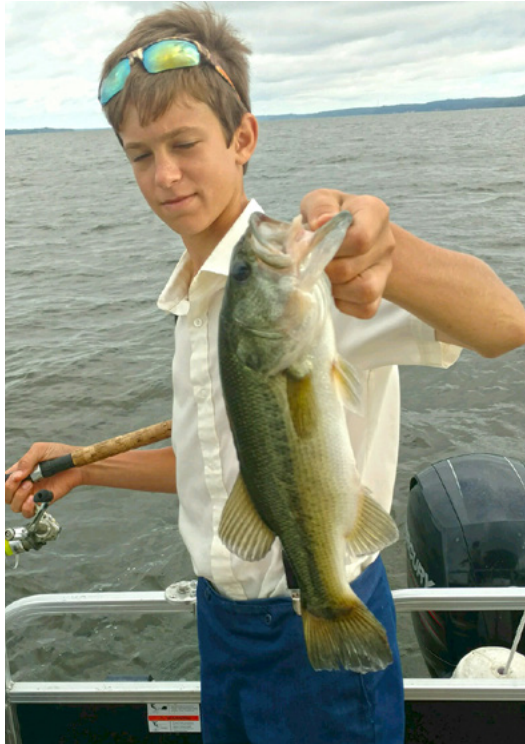
Top Left: Brad Doris and Don Petefish, Festus, Mo. Bottom Left: Jacob Fink with two yellows on one lure!
Middle: Jimmy Greer of Benton, KY with double whites. Right: Susan Edwards, Mark Dickson Tim Edwards and Terri Dickson.

Crappies

Crappies are still in summer mode and have been caught on some of the ledges and deeper bays 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. The bite has slowed, but the toon has caught quite a few 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. Lure choices have been shaky heads, big dark colored spinnerbaits and big creature baits by Z Man fished on the main lake shores.



Left: Rod Stoll from Loogootee IN. Middle: Tate Adams of Chicago. Right: Dmitri Palmer of Athens GA.
The boys each enjoyed a day on the pontoon with their families, learning from Captain Rich.

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 manage a few pumpkin seeds who thought they were big fish. One thing I have never really understood in why a fish will attack a bait nearly as big as itself. I assume that it is a reaction bite.

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. Had reports of some nice blues in 25 feet on shrimp.

Attaboy:

Enjoyed our time fishing with Captain Rich. He knew what he was doing. —Sue H., Effingham, IL

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Captain Rich takes off for another day of fishing