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Your fishing report for October 25, 2017

From the deck of the Kick'n Bass pontoon

The KnB pontoon has been pulling crankbaits and catching mixed bags of crappie and what ever else will take the bait! I got the chance to fish with Nick Thiel, his son Garrett and his brother-in-law Adam. This trip was notable because Nick was the son of Mike Freeman. Mike and his sons Nick and Dane were clients last year. Mike was a fireman on Denver FD, and had set up this trip for his family. Us firefighters are a special breed of courage and crazy! Mike and Dane both unfortunately passed away earlier this year. Nick wanted to honor his Dad and brother by keeping the trip, and it was a great two days. We caught a bunch of fish and had a ball. All three are great young men that Mike was proud of. RIP Mike and Dane.



Garrett Thiel is all smiles after catching this cat!



Barbara Copeland of Louisville caught a 16 1/2 inch crappie!

Lake conditions

The water level has stabilized the lake level at 355.40. Nearly a foot over normal for this time of year but still dangerous out there. Water has been very clear but this rainy weather will change that. There is a big temperature drop coming today so conditions will be changing. Freeze warning out for this coming weekend. Always use your GPS map for traveling on the lake.

You can view the lake levels here:

tva.gov/Environment/Lake-Levels/Kentucky

Weather forecast

<https://weather.com/weather/tenday/1/42025:4:US>



Barbara and Paul Copeland of Louisville



Alan Boyce of St. Louis

Crappies

We have continued to pull crankbaits for crappie. We have caught a bunch of them. We have literally caught basically every fish that swims in Kentucky Lake the last few weeks...including about 10" longnose gar. Every day has seen a new color emerge as the crappie favorite, but pink and shad colors have been most consistent. Main lake has slowed but deep bays are going strong. As always, just put in the time and you will be rewarded.



Maurice Cox group, of Indiana, with a boat load!



Jack and Dan Crede of Champaign, IL



Nick Thiel's brother Adam McClain with a double yellow.



Dan Crede with a 4 lb 4 oz largemouth!



Conner Ariagno hauls in a nice catfish!

Whitebass

The whitebass report is mixed reviews. We haven't fished specifically for whites and yellows but we have caught them in droves while cranking. Talked to a family fishing for them specifically last week and their results were slow. Both are chasing the baitballs of shad, and fed even tho they had shad in their stomachs. (Yes, I always check that!)

Catfish

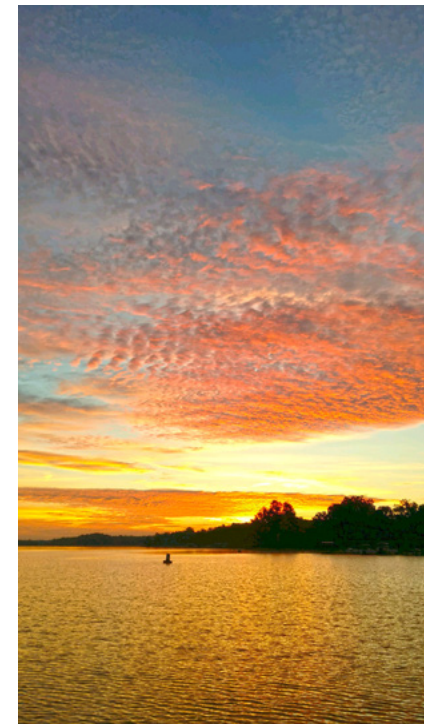
Have caught mainly channel cats while cranking but hauled in a few pushing ten pounds. One broke 12 pound Berkley big game line next to the boat. Its head was as big as a bowling ball.

Largemouth

Same report as the other species. Caught tons of short fish but some keepers pushing four and a half pounds. Lots of buck bass along the shorelines chasing shad.

Bluegills and Redears

We have caught a few gills and a redear pushing a pound! Man it was thick and feisty. All fish in the lake feeding up for the winter.



An Attaboy photo from me as a Thank You to God.

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