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#### Aug 10th, 2012

#### **Lake Conditions**

**Lake Levels ...** As of this morning both lakes approximately 6 inches below summer pool and on a very slow, inches per day drawdown over the next several days. For additional info, including generation schedule for Kentucky Lake, visit the TVA website: <a href="http://www.tva.gov/lakes/kyhr.htm">http://www.tva.gov/lakes/kyhr.htm</a>

**Water Clarity and Temperature ...** on Kentucky Lake ranges from light stain in some of the creeks with the main lake clear. The lake is very fishable. Barkley is lightly stained and the lake is very fishable. The surface water temps are in the mid to high 80's.

#### **Weather Outlook**

**Friday**...Partly sunny. Highs in the mid 80s. North winds 10 to 15 mph.

**Friday Night**...Clear. Lows in the upper 50s. North winds 5 to 10 mph.

**Saturday**...Sunny. Highs in the mid 80s. Northwest winds 5 mph.

**Saturday Night**...Mostly clear. Lows around 60.

**Sunday**...Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s.

**Sunday Night**...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

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

Monday Night...Mostly clear. Lows around 70. Highs in the lower 90s.

#### Prime Feeding Times for Gilbertsville, KY 42044

Date	Temps	Sun Data	Moon Data	<b>Moon Phase</b>	<b>Major Times</b>	Minor Times	Prediction
Friday 8/10/12	H: 84° L: 70°	Rise: 6:05 AM Set: 7:49 PM	Rise:: Set: 2:27 PM Overhead: 7:10 AM Underfoot: 7:34 PM	41% Waning Crescent	7:10 AM - 9:10 AM 7:34 PM - 9:34 PM	:: 2:27 PM - 3:27 PM	Average
Saturday 8/11/12	H: 83° L: 60°	Rise: 6:06 AM <b>Set: 7:48 PM</b>	Rise: 12:37 AM Set: 3:19 PM Overhead: 7:58 AM Underfoot: 8:23 PM	32% Waning Crescent	7:58 AM - 9:58 AM <b>8:23 PM - 10:23 PM</b>	12:37 AM - 1:37 AM 3:19 PM - 4:19 PM	Average+
Sunday 8/12/12	H: 87° L: 61°	Rise: 6:07 AM Set: 7:47 PM	Rise: 1:24 AM Set: 4:09 PM Overhead: 8:47 AM Underfoot: 9:12 PM	24% Waning Crescent	8:47 AM - 10:47 AM 9:12 PM - 11:12 PM	1:24 AM - 2:24 AM 4:09 PM - 5:09 PM	Average
Monday 8/13/12	H: 89° L: 66°	Rise: 6:08 AM Set: 7:46 PM	Rise: 2:14 AM Set: 4:55 PM Overhead: 9:37 AM Underfoot: 10:02 PM	16% Waning Crescent	9:37 AM - 11:37 AM 10:02 PM - 12:02 AM	2:14 AM - 3:14 AM 4:55 PM - 5:55 PM	Average

# Fishing from the Kick'n Bass Pontoon is a Great Value and a Good Time! <u>Book Your trip Now!</u>



Rick Blake and his group from Iowa enjoyed a great time on the Kick'n Bass Pontoon. From left to right - Topher, Sallie, Kyle, Lynne and Rick. A big Kick'n Bass High Five goes to Sallie for catching her largest bass ever ... and who said girls can't fish!

Warm Water Spurs Feeding Activity ... Water temperature is one of the most significant factors that affect fish behavior and metabolism. An increase in water temps shifts metabolisms in high gear and fish feed basically non-stop. Fish feed more during the hot months than at any other time of the year. Right now, all species are schooled up and feeding.

**Bass Fishing ...** has been outstanding for both numbers and size. Not that you can't catch fish in the shallows because you can, it's just that my clients would rather I scan the ledges with our High Definition Lowrance System and find willing schools of bass. Once we located a school we worked them with Shakey Heads and Steel Shad Blade Baits. On one trip in particular the thee of us had a triple on that included one bass close to seven pounds *(Photo)* and two four



pounders. So there are some real good fish on the ledges right now and they are quite active.

Find a school of bass and its game on. Long tapering points at the mouth of the bays are holding good numbers of fish also and some are being caught shallow in the back of the bays in the jumps chasing shad. Lipless crank baits and Steel Shad blade baits are the best baits for the jumps. Best baits this week have been a 3/16 oz. PJ's bass extractor Shakey Head and Zman 7" finesse worm and a  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz PJ's football head jig tipped with a ZMan Flappin Craw. During low current generation or no wind the Shakey Heads were slowly crawled on the bottom amongst the shell beds and the best bite came with little or no action. The jigs were crawled inched along the bottom. Another method worth mentioning is fishing boat docks. Casting small curly tails on 1/16 oz. lead heads caught a surprising number of good bass for us this week. The spawn fry are now large enough for the bluegill and shad to feast on and the bass are making life miserable for all of them. The best docks are ones that have spud poles on the corners. Remember this is a finesse presentation.

#### White Bass Fishing ...





The Pete Poggi group provided a laugh a minute on our recent two day trip fishing for white bass. From left to right ... Jim Arnold from Chicago, Pete Jr., Pete Sr. and Alex Ray all from Florida. A good time was had by all and the fishing wasn't too shabby either!!!

This has been another great week of white bass fishing from the Kick'n Bass Pontoon . The best lures have been the Steel Shad Blade baits in Gold and Silver and Ken's Hybrid Spinners. Ripping the baits off the bottom and let the lure fall on a semi-tight line seemed to work well. Most fish are relatively deep, suspended 15-25 feet along the Tennessee River. Smaller schools are holding 10-13 feet deep along the flats next to the secondary channel during current draws or windy days. On several occasions some really nice Largemouth bass and catfish were caught as they followed a hooked white bass to the boat. Some really nice Hybrids have been showing up too like the 5 lb. 13 oz. caught by Matt Florey from Illinois (Photo).

**Catfish** ... We didn't fish specifically for cats this week but we caught our share on Ken's Hybrid spinners while fishing for white bass and Steel Shad Blade Baits when fishing for bass on the ledges.

**Crappie** ... this is another species we didn't devote much fishing time to and be maybe we should. Several nice crappie were caught along the stumps along the old river channel casting Steel Shad Blade Baits for bass. One could only wonder how good crappie fishing could be if we had time to fish for them.

**Bluegill and Redear ...** We didn't fish for this species this week therefore there is no report.

### Sonar Tip of the Week

#### Randy,

This past weekend my brother in-law Tom and I went to Truman Lake and located schools of crappie submerged over deep brush and guess what? We limited out both days! To be honest we had fished the area before with minimal success. No doubt what we learned in your sonar class made the difference. I know I still have a lot to learn but I really feel like I've made significant progress and I feel much better about my investment. Thanks for teaching an old dog some new tricks!

Frank Foley - St. Louis, Mo.



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Thanks for reading the Kick'n Bass' fishing report!

Randy Kubens