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**Aug 24th, 2012**

**\*\*\* OPEN DATES \*\*\***

***Due to a cancellation the following dates are available for a Guided Fishing Trip or Sonar Class ... Sept. 5 & 6 and 22, 26 & 27.***

## **Lake Conditions**

**Lake Levels ...** As of this morning both lakes approximately 1 foot 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:

[http://www.tva.gov/lakes/kyh\\_r.htm](http://www.tva.gov/lakes/kyh_r.htm)

**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 high 70's early and in the low 80's as the day progresses.

## **Weather Outlook**

**Friday...**Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 90s. Southwest winds 5 mph.

**Friday Night...**Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 60s. South winds 5 mph.

**Saturday...**Partly sunny. Highs in the lower 90s.

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

**Sunday...**Partly sunny. Highs around 90.

**Sunday Night...**Partly cloudy with a 20 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 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 70.

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

Date	Temps	Sun Data	Moon Data	Moon Phase	Major Times	Minor Times	Prediction
Friday 8/24/12	H: 94° L: 62°	Rise: 6:17 AM Set: 7:32 PM	Rise: 1:57 PM Set: --:-- Overhead: 7:03 PM Underfoot: 6:34 AM	50% First Quarter	6:34 AM - 8:34 AM 7:03 PM - 9:03 PM	--:-- - --:-- 1:57 PM - 2:57 PM	Average

Saturday 8/25/12	H: 92° L: 64°	Rise: 6:18 AM Set: <b>7:30 PM</b>	Rise: 2:58 PM Set: 12:06 AM Overhead: 8:02 PM Underfoot: 7:33 AM	63% Waxing Gibbous	7:33 AM - 9:33 AM <b>8:02 PM - 10:02 PM</b>	12:06 AM - 1:06 AM 2:58 PM - 3:58 PM	<b>Average+</b>
Sunday 8/26/12	H: 90° L: 69°	Rise: 6:19 AM Set: 7:29 PM	Rise: 3:54 PM Set: 1:04 AM Overhead: 9:00 PM Underfoot: 8:31 AM	73% Waxing Gibbous	8:31 AM - 10:31 AM 9:00 PM - 11:00 PM	1:04 AM - 2:04 AM 3:54 PM - 4:54 PM	Average
Monday 8/27/12	H: 89° L: 71°	Rise: 6:19 AM Set: 7:27 PM	Rise: 4:43 PM Set: 2:07 AM Overhead: 9:57 PM Underfoot: 9:29 AM	83% Waxing Gibbous	9:29 AM - 11:29 AM 9:57 PM - 11:57 PM	2:07 AM - 3:07 AM 4:43 PM - 5:43 PM	Average

## Fishing on the Kick'n Bass Pontoon is a Great Value and a lot of FUN!

**Make Your Fishing Pontoon Fishing Reservation NOW**



*Who said girls can't fish! Lesley Shapker, Autumn Dick & Abby Lindauer all from Indiana, with a limit of white bass caught while fishing aboard the Kick'n Bass Pontoon.*





**The Steel Shad Blade Bait ... Kentucky & Barkley Lakes best lure for schooling bass!** The Steel Shad is a very versatile bait and will catch most anything that swims, especially bass. Right now Bass are chasing baitfish and the profile of the Steel Shad mimics a shad to a T. Traditionally Silver & Gold are very good colors this time of year but don't discount the Trout finish, it has a Holographic appearance that the bass seem to love. We caught several very good fish on the Trout this week. One technique that works well for us is the yoyo retrieve on a tight line. Start by bringing the lure gently off the bottom, feel the vibration and then let it fall on a tight line. This allows the lure to drop slowly giving the bass a real good look at it. Sometimes the sheer weight of the lure on a free-fall drops too fast and the fish can't catch up to it, especially if the bite is waning. However, ripping it off the bottom at times will catch its share of fish too. *(Photo) Kick'n Bass with a couple of good ones caught this week on a Trout colored Steel Shad.* Some phenomenal catches

have been made by my clients fishing this bait and they've been disappearing off the shelves at the local tackle shops at a pretty good rate. The tackle shops around Kentucky and Barkley Lakes keep a pretty good supply of these baits in inventory. Here's my good friend Capt. Steve Niemoeller's website [www.steelshad.com](http://www.steelshad.com)



**Bass Fishing ...** Several Patterns are going full throttle right now and it's difficult to decide which to choose but I do like having the options. We'll either flip or pitch plastics around boat docks that have spud poles, head to the bay and fish the deeper banks that have vegetation along the edge and fish topwaters or scan the ledges with our High Definition Lowrance Sonar System. All three patterns are producing bass. The most consistent of the three is working the ledges where we are finding willing schools of bass. Once we located a school we worked them with Shakey Heads and Steel Shad Blade Baits. Best baits this week have been a 3/16 oz. PJ's bass extractor jig head and Zman 7" finesse worm fished Shakey Head style and a Trout or Gold Steel Shad Blade Bait. 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 Steel Shad blade baits were gently lifted off the bottom and dropped

on a tight line. **Topwater ...** The slight drop in water temps have started the top-water action in the early morning hours with Pop-R's, Super Spook Jr.'s, and Sammys your best bet. *(Photo) Lynn Stage from Memphis with a couple good reasons to fish a Shakey Head.*

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## BOOK YOUR FALL CRAPPIE TRIPS NOW!

This fall Crappie fishing promises to be one of the best ever.  
Limited dates available so act **NOW!**

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**White Bass Fishing ...** has been very good again this week. 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.



**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.



**Bluegill and Redear ...** if you fish windblown points you should do very well. The wind and waves are pinning scores of small minnows and game fish fry against the bank and the bluegill and Redear are having a feast. Casting small grubs in Blue Pearl on a 1/16 oz. jig head does the trick. Another hot spot is around boat docks, especially the ones that have spud poles

**Crappie ...** some really nice fish are beginning to show up over submerged cover in 10-20 feet along the secondary and main lake ledges. We're catching the fish by casting KY Green curly tails on a 3/32 oz. light wire hook. Crappie fishing is just starting back up and it's gonna be a heck of a Fall.

***Sonar Tip of the Week ...***

***Ledge Fishing with the Latest Technology***





Included in our "On the Water Sonar Class" is a complete programming of your system and developing useful pages with overlay data. **This screen shot is from client Beverlee Spalding's HDS 10** and is a good example of the split screen mode featuring Sonar on the left and StructureScan on the right. The benefit of having this screen is twofold; with this screen on a console unit a self-teaching tool is created whereby the right screen (Structurescan) takes the guess work out of what's on the left screen (Sonar). With a little practice you'll be able to interpret what your sonar screen is showing you. Also having this screen programmed on a bow unit allows the angler to monitor not only what's going on below the trolling motor but what's going on below the back of the boat where the Structurescan transducer is mounted. When I'm guiding I use this screen a lot. It allows me to monitor a large area below the boat which aids in helping me find fish holding structure and keep the clients on fish. Having your system professionally programmed by a member of Lowrance's Pro Staff assures you that it's done right the first time. Learn how to use modern technology and find fishing hotspots like this. For your "On the water Sonar Class" contact Lowrance Pro Staffer Randy Kuhens at [rk@kicknbass.net](mailto:rk@kicknbass.net)

## **Here's what some of our clients are saying about their "On the Water" Sonar Class ...**

Randy, the on the water sonar class was very helpful. It has totally changed the way I approach my fishing. I no longer blindly cast spots and hope to catch fish. Now I identify fish holding in areas and cast to them. Makes a lot of sense to me! Thanks for re-introducing me to my electronics.

Marcus Page – Ashland, KY

*Randy, this past weekend I was fishing Lake St. Clair and I found some smallmouth holding on a hump 20 feet deep. I've been in this area many times and while I knew the hump was there, until I took your class I couldn't accurately identify fish. I caught my best smallmouth ever, a 6 lb. 6 oz. brute off that hump. Thanks for helping me learn to use my system.*

*Dick Davis – Flint, MI.*

**Read the owner's manual or watched a DVD and still baffled? Let's clear up your Sonar confusion. Have your unit(s) programmed and optimized by someone who depends on the HDS technology daily. Together we can make your system more user friendly and you'll get more out of your system.**

### ***What is Kick'n Bass' "On the Water Sonar Class"?***

**Kick'n Bass offers a one on one, hands on, in your boat using your electronics class that will take your understanding and know-how to another level!**

**IF YOU'RE CONFUSED, FRUSTRATED, AND NEED ANSWERS then Kick'n Bass' "On the Water Sonar Class" is for YOU!**

**Here's just some of what Kick'n Bass can do for YOU!**

- Make sure your HDS unit(s) has the correct settings for the type of fishing you do.
- Program the individual screens and install the overlay data on the screen that you want. Example: Depth, Water Temp, Time, etc.
- Arrange the screens so they display what you want them to show and make going from page to page orderly and non-confusing.
- Eliminate unwanted, non-practical on screen data that clutters your screen and gets in the way of using your unit to its maximum potential.
- Learn the art of waypoint management. No more cluttered maps with useless or unproductive waypoints. You'll learn how to identify which locations are waypoint worthy and how to go back to those locations without ever assigning a waypoint. You'll learn to only assign a waypoint once you are satisfied the location is worth saving.
- Demo the unit for you to help you be familiar with the screens and commands, so you'll have a good understanding of how to use the unit and take advantage of its fish finding capabilities.

**As a bonus Kick'n Bass will help you learn to read an electronic topo map and find "places of interest" that could be potential fishing hot spots.**

**You've Made a Significant Investment in Electronics. Learn to Use Them to Their Full Potential.**

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## **Why Choose Kick'n Bass Guide Service?**

*Kick'n Bass is a fully licensed and insured multi-species guide service. We offer guided fishing trips from a 21' Ranger bass boat as well as family fishing adventures from our state of the art Fishing Pontoon. Being on the water every day keeps us sharp and in tune with fish catching patterns and the best baits and we'll gladly share this information with you.*

*Our weekly fishing report offers the angler a boat load of useful information. The fishing report itself is based solely on what happens in our boats. Therefore you get firsthand information that you can depend on. We also think it's of benefit to you to know what the lake conditions are, what you can expect, weather-wise and when the best times are to fish (Prime Feeding Times) so you can plan your trip accordingly. At Kick'n Bass we like to let our client pictures tell their story that's why we publish them every week.*

*Kick'n Bass is big on helping you become a better angler through the knowledge we convey during one on one fishing and the real life experience you gain with the use of our equipment. Our sponsors believe in what we're doing and work with us to provide you with top notch equipment and lures so you can field test them before you buy. In addition to our regular guide service, we offer "On the Water Sonar Classes "that will take your understanding and know how to another level.*

*We're having the time of our lives and we'd like to go fishing with you!*

*Regards,*

***Randy Kuhens** - a.k.a. "Kick'n Bass"*

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