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Oct. 6th, 2012

Lake Conditions

Lake Levels ... As of this morning both lakes approximately 2.5 feet below summer pool and on a steady drawdown over the next several days. For additional info, including generation schedule for Kentucky Lake, visit the TVA website: http://www.tva.gov/lakes/kyhr.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. Wit the unseasonably cool nights the surface water temps have cooled and are now in high 60's to low 70's depending on which part of the lake you're on.

Weather Outlook

Friday...Partly sunny. A slight chance of showers and isolated thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the lower 70s. Northwest winds 5 to 10 mph. Chance of precipitation 20 percent. **Friday Night**...Showers likely. Lows in the mid 40s. North winds around 10 mph. Chance of precipitation 60 percent.

Saturday...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers. Highs in the mid 50s. North winds around 10 mph.

Saturday Night...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers. Lows in the lower 40s. **Sunday**...Mostly sunny. A 20 percent chance of showers in the morning. Highs in the upper 50s.

Sunday Night...Mostly clear. Patchy frost after midnight. Lows in the mid 30s.

Columbus Day...Mostly clear. Highs in the lower 60s. Lows around 40.

Monday Night...Mostly clear. Highs in the lower 60s. Lows around 40.

Prime Feeding Times for Gilbertsville, KY 42044

Date	Temps	Sun Data	Moon Data	Moon Phase	Major Times	Minor Times	Prediction
Friday 10/5/12	H: 71° L: 53°	Rise: 6:51 AM Set: 6:29 PM	Rise: 9:59 PM Set: 11:52 AM Overhead: 4:33 AM Underfoot: 4:57 PM	74% Waning Gibbous	4:33 AM - 6:33 AM 4:57 PM - 6:57 PM	11:52 AM - 12:52 PM 9:59 PM - 10:59 PM	Average
Saturday 10/6/12	H: 53° L: 46°	Rise: 6:52 AM Set: 6:27 PM	Rise: 10:49 PM Set: 12:40 PM Overhead: 5:21 AM Underfoot: 5:45 PM	65% Waning Gibbous	5:21 AM - 7:21 AM 5:45 PM - 7:45 PM	12:40 PM - 1:40 PM 10:49 PM - 11:49 PM	Average
Sunday 10/7/12	H: 56° L: 40°	Rise: 6:53 AM Set: 6:26 PM	Rise: 11:44 PM Set: 1:24 PM Overhead: 6:09 AM Underfoot: 6:33 PM	56% Waning Gibbous	6:09 AM - 8:09 AM 6:33 PM - 8:33 PM	1:24 PM - 2:24 PM 11:44 PM - 12:44 AM	Average
Monday 10/8/12	H: 62° L: 36°	Rise: 6:54 AM Set: 6:25 PM	Rise:: Set: 2:05 PM Overhead: 6:58 AM Underfoot: 7:22 PM	50% Last Quarter	6:58 AM - 8:58 AM 7:22 PM - 9:22 PM	: 2:05 PM - 3:05 PM	Average

Fishing Report

<u>Special Note:</u> "Due to an influx of water from the south TVA is pulling water pretty much around the clock. This should enhance the overall fishing but be sure to pay special attention to the Prime Feeding Times and be at your best spot when these times occur.



Bass Fishing is the hot topic right now here on the Twin Lakes. The Renegade Tournament is here Thursday, Friday and concluding Saturday and with other Tournament trails coming in the next few weeks the bass are getting plenty of attention. Here are some of the patterns that we found productive this week ...

Wood Pattern ... Creek channels that swing against the bank in some of the bays have down timber and are holding some pretty fair bass. Flip or pitch a jig or worm for best results or flutter a spinner bait. **B oat Dock Pattern** ... Flip or pitch plastics around boat docks that have spud poles, especially the ones on the main lake that have deeper water. The lake drawdown is positioning baitfish and fry around the docks and bass see this

as an easy opportunity. **Ledge Pattern** ... working the ledges is still a very productive way to fish. Once we've located a school we worked them with Football Jigs, 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. The Shakey Heads were slowly crawled on the bottom amongst the shell beds and at times 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. (Photo) Bobby Dorton from Shepherdsville, KY on a cool, rainy, miserable day, caught this KY Lake football on a Steel Shad Blade bait.

White Bass ... With the shad migration the bigger schools are scattering. We had to hunt and peck to find them but by the end of the day we managed to catch a few. 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.

Crappie Fishing ... With all the attention bass fishing is getting it's almost easy to overlook how good crappie fishing is getting. Smart anglers are catching their share. Crappie are plentiful and are holding at many depths. The bite is good over submerged cover 8 – 15 feet on minnows and jigs and 15- 25 feet around stumps along the old river channel. Most fish we caught were in the 11-12 inch class



but some nice 2 pound whites (*Photo*) were caught too. Crappie fishing is getting better by the day.

Catfish, Bluegill, and Redear ... We didn't fish for these therefore there is No Report

Sonar Tip of the Week ...



Using our HDS we located a drainage ditch that meandered thru a mid-bay flat. We followed the ditch until it intersected with the creek channel. It was here we found several big bass on top of a shallow edge. These fish were in a very inactive mood after a major frontal system had moved thru the area and it took a very subtle approach using a Shakey head to entice a strike. While we were only able to catch one fish from the group, it was a quality fish. A waypoint was assigned to this location for future reference and you can bet we'll fish this spot again. Without the use of our Lowrance HDS System, featuring an electronic topo map and structurescan, finding a high percentage location like this would not have been possible.

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Stephan Sullivan - Chicago, IL.

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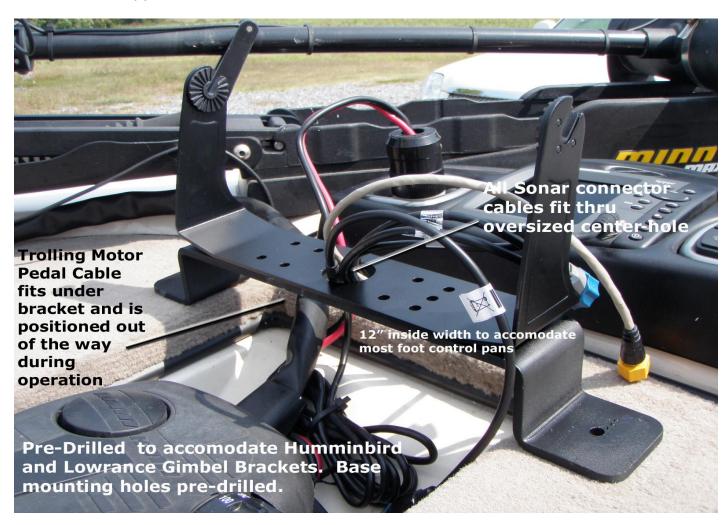
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