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March 8, 2013

Lake Conditions

Lake Levels ... As of this morning both lakes are approximately 2 feet above winter pool. Some gates are spilling at both Barkley & Kentucky creating significant current in the upper lake. For additional info, including generation schedule for Kentucky Lake, visit the TVA website: http://www.tva.gov/lakes/kyh r.htm

Water Clarity and Temperature ... Kentucky Lake ranges from stained in some of the creeks to the main lake dingy. Barkley is heavily stained in the creeks and bays and the main lake is stained. Surface water temps are in the 46 degree range. *Always wear your PFD and keep an extra change of clothes on board. Advise others of your fishing plans*.

Weather Outlook

Friday...Sunny. Highs in the mid 50s. East winds 5 to 10 mph.

Friday Night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. East winds 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 60s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday Night...Partly cloudy in the evening...Then mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers after midnight. Lows around 50. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Sunday...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers. Highs in the mid 60s.

Sunday Night...Showers and isolated thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 40s. Chance of precipitation 80 percent.

Monday...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers. Highs in the upper 40s.

| Date | Temps | Sun Data | Moon Data | Moon Phase | Major Times | Minor Times | Prediction |
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| Friday 3/8/13 | H: 52° L: 29° | Rise: 6:13 AM Set: 5:54 PM | Rise: 3:53 AM Set: 2:52 PM Overhead: 9:21 AM Underfoot: 9:47 PM | 11% Waning Crescent | 9:21 AM - 11:21 AM 9:47 PM - 11:47 PM | 3:53 AM - 4:53 AM 2:52 PM - 3:52 PM | Average |
| Saturday 3/9/13 | H: 62° L: 36° | Rise: 6:12 AM Set: 5:55 PM | Rise: 4:33 AM Set: 3:58 PM Overhead: 10:13 AM Underfoot: 10:39 PM | 5% Waning Crescent | 10:13 AM - 12:13 PM 10:39 PM - 12:39 AM | | Better |
| Sunday 3/10/13 | H: 65° L: 47° | Rise: 7:10 AM Set: 6:55 PM | Rise: 6:09 AM Set: 6:03 PM Overhead: 12:04 PM Underfoot:: | 2% Waning Crescent | :: 12:04 PM - 2:04 PM | 6:09 AM - 7:09 AM 6:03 PM - 7:03 PM | Better |
| Monday 3/11/13 | H: 54° L: 48° | Rise: 7:09 AM Set: 6:56 PM | Rise: 6:43 AM Set: 7:07 PM Overhead: 12:53 PM Underfoot: 12:28 AM | 0% NEW MOON | 12:28 AM - 2:28 AM 12:53 PM - 2:53 PM | 6:43 AM - 7:43 AM 7:07 PM - 8:07 PM | Best |

Prime Feeding Times – Gilbertsville, KY 42044

Bass Fishing ...

Largemouth Bass are being caught on main lake points and chunk rock banks. A myriad of lures and presentations seem to be working. Best lures are SPRO McStick jerk baits, Alabama rigs, jigs, ZMan shaky heads and slow rolled lipless crank baits. Secondary points in the mouths of the creeks and bays are turning on especially those areas that have a feeder creek close by. **Smallmouth Bass** are being taken on main lake points on suspending jerk baits, Alabama rigs and jigs. Smallmouth are in the early stages of pre-spawn and are cruising pea gravel banks.



Crappie ... The Kick'n Bass Pontoon is HOT! We've caught some decent numbers fishing the flats using 1/16 oz jigs in Blue and Chartreuse or Electric Chicken. Both White & Black Crappie are being caught and the fish are above average in weight. Most fish are being caught spider rigging. Also Crappie are being caught vertically fishing with minnows over submerged cover in 20 feet plus depths. These are primarily White Crappie. The nice thing about the pontoon is you're comfortable no matter the weather.

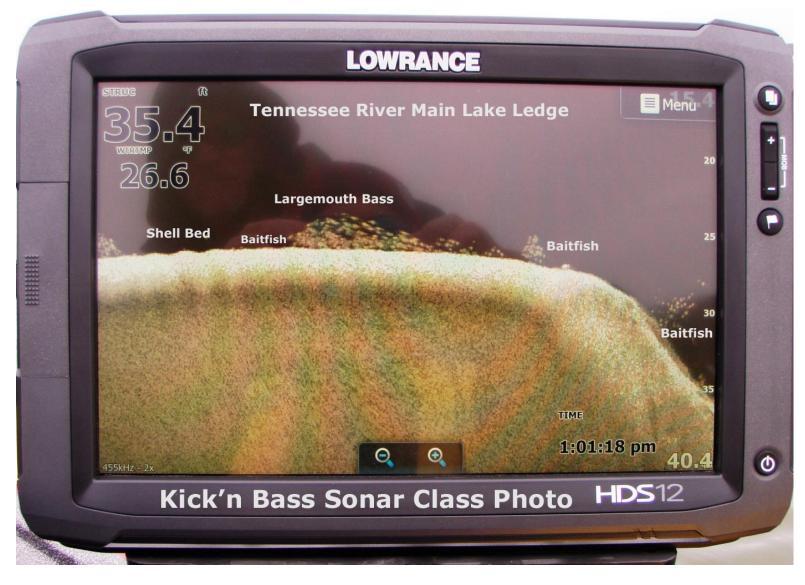
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Check out the pontoon video http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DIjrXQe4FfI



Don't be disappointed Book <u>NOW</u> and get the dates you want!

SONAR TIP OF THE WEEK ...



One of the big advantages of the new Touch Screen HDS12 is not only the huge size of the screen but the superb screen definition. During one of our "On the Water Sonar Classes" this week we found this ledge absolutely loaded with bass. The following day, on a guided fishing trip my clients and I returned to the same location and caught a boatload of 15-17 inch fish on Steel Shad blade baits. Sure the weather was cold, windy and we had some precipitation but the fishing was HOT! It always amazes me how good fishing can overcome nasty weather. You've made a Significant Investment in Electronics. Be the best angler you can be by learning to use your electronics to their full potential. For your personalized "On the water Sonar Class" contact Lowrance Pro Staffer Randy Kuhens at <u>rk@kicknbass.net</u>

Remember ... The first step in our "On the Water Sonar Class" is to perform an inspection of your system to make sure the installation has been done to factory specs and all components are installed in the proper location. If adjustments are needed we can have them made prior to beginning your class. Doing so assures you that your system will perform at a high level and you'll get the most out of your time on the water



Kick'n Bass Goes Geocaching ...

Geocaching is an outdoor recreational activity, in which the participants use a Global Positioning System (GPS) and other navigational techniques to hide and seek containers, called "geocaches" or "caches", anywhere in the world. A typical cache is a small waterproof container containing a logbook where the geocacher enters the date they found it and signs it with their established code name. Larger containers can also contain items for trading, usually toys or trinkets of little value. During recent sonar class with Dennis and Jody Baalman (Photo) from Alton Illinois, Jody informed there was a geocache located within 2 miles of the area where we were doing our class. I entered the coordinates to the cache and we went by boat to the location on land and Jody and I walked right to the cache. (Yes I left

some of my business cards in the cache) I've been guiding for a lot of years and didn't know there was a cache anywhere on the lake. Just goes to show you that a properly programmed system can pinpoint a location and take you to right to it. Even though I have over 12,000 hours using High Definition / GPS systems I learn something new every time I'm on the water and you will too! For more information on how to participate in Geocaching go to <u>www.geocache.com</u>

Here's what some of our clients are saying about Kick'n Bass' "On the Water" Sonar Class ...

Randy, Just wanted to let you know how much fun Dennis and I had learning how to use our electronics. You really made learning how to use our HDS System fun and easy for us. You had a lot of patience with us computer novices and gave us the best instructions to help us understand and learn. I personally am looking forward to continue to catch more fish than Dennis, thanks to you showing him how to find them for me, LOL. Also, thanks for helping me to locate my first 'by boat only' geocache. Next to fishing, geocaching is my next favorite past time. I was equally excited that I got to introduce you to geocaching and your first find. Hopefully you will get to look for more caches in your area.

Jody and Dennis Baalman - Alton, Illinois

I bought a HDS 12 Touch. I was concerned that I would not be able to make it function and get the results that I have seen on Randy's website and other places. After he installed his program and personalized my unit, he showed me how to operate it and had me operate it until I was satisfied. The class exceeded all my expectations. I found crappies on brush, bass, a pallet, and even a foundation of a house. Now I am ready to go fishing. If you are going to buy a top of the line unit I highly suggest you have Randy set it up and train you. It was the best investment I could have made.

Don Allman – Columbia, Tn

The "On the Water Sonar Class" is a one on one, hands on, in your boat using your electronics instruction that will take your understanding and know-how to another level. We get it and you will too!

Kick'n Bass' 7 Essential Steps to Simplify Using Your HDS System.

Kick'n Bass will perform the following ...

- 1. Complete a detailed inspection on your system to certify the installation has been done to factory specs. (If adjustments are required technicians are available to fine tune your system prior to beginning your class. Doing so assures you that your system will perform at an optimum level and you'll get the most out of your time on the water).
- 2. Check all network settings for compatibility and make adjustments if needed.
- 3. Program the individual screens and install the overlay data that is best suits the type fishing you do. Example: Depth, Water Temp, Time, etc. Eliminate unwanted, non-practical on screen clutter that hampers using your unit to its maximum potential.
- 4. Arrange the screens so that going from page to page is orderly and nonconfusing. You'll become familiar with the screens and commands and what they'll do for you.
- 5. Dial in Sonar and Structure Scan Graphics and choose appropriate Pallette for the lakes you fish.
- 6. Demonstrate the art of waypoint management. No more cluttered maps with useless or unproductive waypoints. You'll learn to identify which locations are waypoint worthy and how to go back to those locations without ever assigning a waypoint. You'll assign a waypoint once you are satisfied the location is worth saving.
- 7. Demo the unit so you'll be able to take advantage of its fish finding capabilities. You'll learn to identify shell beds, submerged stumps, brush piles, ledges, game fish species and more.

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.

The Best Bow Mount Sonar Bracket Ever! Works on Virtually all Boats

Works great on boats with On the Deck Trolling Motor Foot Pedal Too!





Check out the product review on Wired2fish.com <u>http://wired2fish.com/kickn-bass-sonar-bracket-review-p17741</u>