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**March 22, 2013**

## Lake Conditions

**Lake Levels ...** As of this morning both lakes are very close to winter pool. Some gates are spilling at both Barkley & Kentucky creating 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](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 48 degree range. *Always wear your PFD and keep an extra change of clothes on board. Advise others of your fishing plans.*

## Weather Outlook

**Friday...**Cloudy. A chance of snow in the morning...Then a chance of rain...Possibly mixed with snow in the afternoon. Highs in the mid 40s. East winds around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation 40 percent.

**Friday Night...**Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of rain. Lows in the mid 30s. Northeast winds around 5 mph.

**Saturday...**Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of rain. Highs in the upper 40s. Northeast winds 5 to 10 mph.

**Saturday Night...**Rain likely. Lows in the upper 30s. Northeast winds 5 mph. Chance of precipitation 60 percent.

**Sunday...**Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of rain. Highs in the upper 30s.

**Sunday Night...**Mostly cloudy. A slight chance of rain and snow in the evening...Then a slight chance of snow after midnight. Lows in the upper 20s. Chance of precipitation 20 percent.

**Monday...**Partly sunny. Highs around 40.

## Prime Feeding Times – Gilbertsville, KY 42044

Date	Sun Data	Moon Data	Moon Phase	Major Times	Minor Times	Prediction
Friday 3/22/13	Rise: 6:53 AM Set: 7:06 PM	Rise: 2:39 PM Set: 3:47 AM Overhead: 9:35 PM Underfoot: 9:12 AM	77% Waxing Gibbous	9:12 AM - 11:12 AM 9:35 PM - 11:35 PM	3:47 AM - 4:47 AM 2:39 PM - 3:39 PM	Average
Saturday 3/23/13	Rise: 6:51 AM Set: 7:07 PM	Rise: 3:39 PM Set: 4:22 AM Overhead: 10:22 PM Underfoot: 9:59 AM	85% Waxing Gibbous	9:59 AM - 11:59 AM 10:22 PM - 12:22 AM	4:22 AM - 5:22 AM 3:39 PM - 4:39 PM	Average
Sunday 3/24/13	Rise: 6:50 AM Set: 7:08 PM	Rise: 4:39 PM Set: 4:56 AM Overhead: 11:09 PM Underfoot: 10:45 AM	92% Waxing Gibbous	10:45 AM - 12:45 PM 11:09 PM - 1:09 AM	4:56 AM - 5:56 AM 4:39 PM - 5:39 PM	Good
Monday 3/25/13	Rise: 6:48 AM Set: 7:09 PM	Rise: 5:41 PM Set: 5:30 AM Overhead: --:-- Underfoot: 11:33 AM	97% Waxing Gibbous	--:-- - --:-- 11:33 AM - 1:33 PM	5:30 AM - 6:30 AM 5:41 PM - 6:41 PM	Better

## Fishing Report



*(Photo) The Jagers boys from Bowling Green, KY with some real nice White and Black Crappie caught casting jigs to submerged brush.*

**Crappie** ... Overall fishing has been pretty good this week! Decent numbers have been coming in from the Kick'n Bass Pontoon fishing the flats in the bays using 1/16 oz jigs in Blue and Chartreuse or Electric Chicken. Both White & Black Crappie are being caught. Most fish are being caught spider rigging or long line trolling. Also Crappie are being caught vertically fishing with minnows over submerged cover in 12-14 feet. These are primarily White Crappie.

This week with the water temps elevating somewhat we've found a few fish have moved towards shallower cover in 6-8 feet. Kick'n Bass clients have caught some real nice fish casting KY Green curly tails with Ken's Blue Pearl light wire lead heads. What's nice about the light wire lead heads is they enable you to fish submerged brush without the fear of getting hung up. If you do hang up a steady but gentle pull usually dislodges the lure and sometimes when this happens you'll get bit.



**Crappie fishermen, tired of getting hung up? Try Ken's Fine Wire hooks on your lead heads and curly tails!** Master lure designer Ken McGregor at the Fisherman's Friend in Lake City (270)362-4323 is at it again. A couple of weeks ago I complained to Ken and Barb





about getting hung up too much in brush when my clients and I were fishing for crappie. Having to retire after breakoffs is part of fishing but there is always a better way. Nobody knows more about making lures better than Ken so he made me a bunch of lead heads with fine wire hooks. I must admit I am more than pleasantly pleased ... I'm surprised at how well the lead heads work. The light wire looks allow us to fish around the heaviest cover and if we get hung up, a steady pull of the line will bend the hook and dislodge the lure. We've gotten so effective at dislodging the lure that my clients have no fear of getting hung up and sometimes we even catch a crappie as the lure comes free. Using Power Pro braided line in 8lb test (2 lb. diameter) and a matching fluorocarbon leader rounds

out the system. Add your favorite curly tail or tube jig and you're ready to get in the game. The Fine Wire lead heads come in assorted sizes and colors. Most of the Lakes Area Tackle Shops carry Ken's products.

**Bass Fishing ...** has gotten me scratching my head a little bit. While we can't complain about the size of the fish we're catching the numbers just aren't there ... yet. Some fish are relatively shallow 3-6 feet deep and being caught on Rat-L-Trap style baits and Steel Shad Blade Baits fished slowly. Also medium running SPRO crank baits have caught some nice fish. One retrieve in particular that is working is to crank the reel about three times to get the bait down and then fish it like a jerk bait. When the fish hits the bait they really clobber it and having the lure all the way in down to the crushers. Best locations are chunk rock banks with deep water a cast away. Yesterday the Shakey Head bite was good using ZMan finesse worms on PJ's 3/16 oz. Bass Extractor jigs. Darker colors worked best. Most fish were caught on 4-6 feet of water crawling the bait. Umbrella Rigs are catching a few fish too.

*Kick'n Bass Tip of the week ... On cold mornings fish the North West banks first, they get the bulk of the sunshine early and baitfish will be more active there.*

***Book Your Pontoon Fishing Trips NOW!!!***



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

***Don't be disappointed Book NOW and get the dates you want!***



## ***SONAR TIP OF THE WEEK ...***



### **“Find & Return to Fishing Hot Spots Without Ever Assigning a Waypoint!”**

**Is your map cluttered with too many waypoints? Can't remember which waypoints are productive and which ones aren't? Learn to mark a location and go back to it without assigning a waypoint. Only assign a waypoint to productive locations. Your System can do this. To learn how to do this and more contact [rk@kicknbass.net](mailto:rk@kicknbass.net)**

*Maybe you have a lot of useless waypoints that are cluttering your map. Learn how to find productive fishing locations and when and how to save them in your system. Also learn how to delete those waypoints that you know aren't useful.*

*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 [rk@kicknbass.net](mailto:rk@kicknbass.net)*

**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.

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

*Randy, thanks so much for the lessons learned today in your sonar class. Your knowledge and sense of humor made for a great morning on the water. Anyone wanting to expand their knowledge and get their money's worth from their system should take your class.*

*David Clinard – Clarksville, TN.*

*Randy, I went in to the class thinking I would have to spend a lot of hours on the water to fully understand how to work my electronics. After spending time with you on the water, understanding my HDS 9 Touch couldn't have been any easier! I'm really happy that I took the class.*

*Jonathan Wheelwright – Cincinnati, OH.*

***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 non-confusing. 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 Palette 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 ...**

**Keeps your Sonar Unit Secure Too!**



**Works Great and keeps Sonar secure! (Photo) Note the locking mechanisms on the bracket. The Dura Safe E Locks replace the Gimbel Mount knobs and the two brackets are secured together with a Hardened Steel Master Padlock. Use Loctite 271 on the stainless steel bracket bolts and you're all set. The Mounting Bolts are safely attached thru hull requiring nefarious individuals to remove the bow panel and spend some serious time to remove the mounting bolts. Thieves are lazy. In other words trying to steal your unit would be way too much hassle and work so they move on.**

Check out the product review on Wired2fish.com

<http://wired2fish.com/kickn-bass-sonar-bracket-review-p17741>

## ***FLW College Fishing ...***



### ***Missouri Duo Wins at Lake of the Ozarks***

Drew Schrader and Will Kleine from Missouri University of Science and Technology won the recent FLW College Fishing Central Conference event on Lake of the Ozarks with four bass that weighed 12 pounds, 14 ounces. Will is the son of David and Mindy Kleine of St. Louis. Some of the time Will spent fishing with his dad and Kick'n Bass here on KY Lake must have paid off ... and I thought he was just texting his girlfriend but he must have been paying attention after all!

## **Customer Appreciation Day & Sale this Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Cabin Bait & Tackle**

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