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WOW! There's been a lot going on in the world of Kick'n Bass. In addition to our regular weekly fishing report we've got a recap on our Canadian Wilderness Canoe and Camping Trip, an announcement of a new fishing show featuring Kentucky Lake and a Ranger Boat for sale. So let's get started ....

## Canadian Wilderness Trip Proves To Be a High Value Experience!

Last week Kick'n Bass Guide Service clients camped & fished in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness of Northern Minnesota and the Quetico Provincial Park in Southern Ontario, Canada. Just so you'll know Kick'n Bass puts on two trips like this annually.

Seeing first timers absorb themselves and become one with the wilderness was especially satisfying. The fishing, scenery, wildlife and fellowship was terrific. Our group



witnessed Deer, Eagles, Beaver and many species of ducks comfortable in their everyday environment. The Star gazing was magnificent, the Meteor Showers were plentiful and the glow of the Space Station as it made its orbit around the earth was a sight to see! An afternoon thunderstorm with a double Rainbow capped things off.





Our group base camped on an island campsite in the heart of the wilderness that was better than anything we could have imagined ... with great fishing just a cast away. Smallmouth Bass made up the bulk of the catch with enough Northern Pike and walleye to keep things interesting. Top water action, early and late, produced several monster Smallmouth Bass & Northern Pike while Walleye provided delicious shore lunches. Fishing was especially good on cloudy days and on an overcast afternoon all species bit non-stop in the pools below Curtain Falls.

Another highlight of the trip was the food & coffee. Whether it was the beef filets or pork tenderloin cooked over an open fire or freshly caught Walleye the food was fantastic! Freshly brewed coffee from chemical free waters allows for the full aroma and taste of the coffee bean.

No doubt, you've read or heard about the fantastic fishing and wilderness camping in the Boundary Waters. Now is your chance to experience this once in a lifetime journey first hand. With over 25 years of experience exploring and fishing the Northwoods, we use our angling know-how and wilderness skills to make your trip to the North Country a memorable one.

Each trip is customized to target your personal angling goals and experience level. Our complete Wilderness Trip Outfitting includes the best canoes, camping equipment, shuttle service, all permits and fishing licenses. No freeze dried foods here! Only fresh real foods! We'll take you there and bring you back too! A safe trip is a good trip! Your guides are First Aid & CPR Certified and carry a satellite phone for emergencies. All you really need to bring is your own personal items, fishing tackle and a positive attitude.

Check Out the smiling faces in the photos ...







The 5 Star Experience ... This is a Cadillac trip in every respect. While the average client is drawn to these trips because of the fishing and no doubt it is really good, fishing is only part of what makes these trips so special. Spending a week in the wilderness where there are no distractions like cell phones, emails or everyday hassles, puts you mind to rest. Your business will be there when you get back. Paddling, camping, portaging, gathering firewood and working as a team gets you in great shape both physically and mentally. You will not suffer from sleep deprivation either. Believe me you'll sleep like a log. These trips are God's natural tonic for Tired Weary Bodies. You'll come back a better person for going.

Don't be left out make your plans **now** for 2014! Just so you'll know, spaces are limited to 6 people (6 anglers plus two guides) and are booked on a first come first serve basis. Contact <a href="mailto:rk@kicknbass.net">rk@kicknbass.net</a>

### **New TV Show Featuring Kentucky Lake ...**



Electronics and Trolling Motor repairs.

#### Feel-n-Reel TV

Feel-n-Reel is a new show dedicated to showcasing Kentucky Lake and all it has to offer.

Feel-n-Reel TV is fun to watch and offers something for everyone. If you're new to the game of fishing then this show will get you hooked. If you're an old hand it'll get your juices flowing. You'll even gain a little knowledge and become a better angler by checking out the Feel-n-Reel weekly Fishing Tips and Tech Tips on things like High Definition

Feel-n-Reel TV keeps it real. The show is fun to watch, yet realistic. Experience firsthand what it is like to spend a day on the water in search of those fishing hot spots.

Feel-n-Reel is produced by Time Warner Sports and available on your local Time Warner affiliate so check your local guide for times and showings. Also if your local affiliate doesn't carry the show it is available weekly on www.feel-n-reel.com.

Here's the link to last week's episode <a href="http://www.feel-n-reel.com/current-shows.htm">http://www.feel-n-reel.com/current-shows.htm</a>

# \*\*\* Fishing Report \*\*\*

#### **Lake Conditions**

**Lake Levels ...** Both lakes are right at summer pool and in the midst of a drawdown. There is about as much water coming into the lake as there is being released at the Dam. With the gates spilling there is more than normal 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 ...** The water clarity in both lakes is ideal for fishing. Some areas are clearer than others but overall water quality is looking real good. Surface water temp is 78-80 degrees depending on where you're fishing.

#### **Weather Outlook**

**Friday**...Partly sunny. Highs in the upper 70s. Northeast winds 5 to 10 mph.

**Friday Night**...Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers. Lows in the lower 60s. Northeast winds around 5 mph.

**Saturday**...Partly sunny with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s. Northeast winds around 5 mph.

**Saturday Night**...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s. Northeast winds 5 mph.

**Sunday**...Partly sunny with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s.

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

Monday...Partly sunny. Highs in the mid 80s.

**Monday Night...**Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Highs in the upper 80s.

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

Date	Temps	Sun Data	Moon Data	Moon Phase	Major Times	Minor Times	Prediction
			Rise: 2:57 PM				
Thursday	H: 79°	Rise: 6:09 AM	Set: 12:20 AM	64%	7:38 AM - 9:38 AM	12:20 AM - 1:20 AM	
8/15/13	L: 52°	Set: 7:44 PM	Overhead: 8:08 PM	Waxing	8:08 PM - 10:08 PM	2:57 PM - 3:57 PM	Average
			Underfoot: 7:38 AM	Gibbous			
			Rise: 3:58 PM				
Friday	H: 79°	Rise: 6:10 AM	Set: 1:15 AM	75%	8:38 AM - 10:38 AM	1:15 AM - 2:15 AM	Average
8/16/13	L: 59°	Set: 7:42 PM	Overhead: 9:08 PM	Waxing	9:08 PM - 11:08 PM	3:58 PM - 4:58 PM	
			Underfoot: 8:38 AM	Gibbous			
			Rise: 4:54 PM				
Saturday	H: 80°	Rise: 6:11 AM	Set: 2:16 AM	84%	9:38 AM - 11:38 AM	2:16 AM - 3:16 AM	Average
8/17/13	L: 63°	Set: 7:41 PM	Overhead: 10:08 PM	Waxing	10:08 PM - 12:08 AM	4:54 PM - 5:54 PM	
			Underfoot: 9:38 AM	Gibbous			
			Rise: 5:44 PM				
Sunday	H: 84°	Rise: 6:12 AM	Set: 3:24 AM	92%	10:38 AM - 12:38 PM	3:24 AM - 4:24 AM	
8/18/13	L: 65°	Set: 7:40 PM	Overhead: 11:07 PM	Waxing	11:07 PM - 1:07 AM	5:44 PM - 6:44 PM	Good
			Underfoot: 10:38 AM	Gibbous			
			Rise: 6:29 PM				
Monday	H: 86°	Rise: 6:13 AM	Set: 4:33 AM	97%	::	4:33 AM - 5:33 AM	
8/19/13	L: 65°	Set: 7:39 PM	Overhead::	Waxing	11:36 AM - 1:36 PM	6:29 PM - 7:29 PM	Better
			Underfoot: 11:36 AM	Gibbous			

**Bass Fishing** ... This has been a tough week for us. When I say that I don't necessarily mean that we didn't catch fish it's just that we had to really work very hard for them and at times it was a long time between bites. No one pattern stood out. We caught some on the ledges on crank baits and soft plastics and some in the back of the creeks and bays on Steel Shad blade baits and lipless crank baits. That being said, our best pattern for size was flipping and pitching boat docks with a ZMan ZinkerZ fished *Flick Shake* style. There is a ton of shad in the back of the bays and around boat docks!

**Boat Dock Pattern** ... this has been a VERY consistent way to catch some pretty good bass for several weeks now. Casting a ZMan ZinkerZ *Flick Shake* style and gently shaking the worm around the spud poles enticed even the most stubborn fish. This technique takes a lot of patience but it works. The spawn fry are now large enough for the bluegill and there is tons of shad around the docks and the bass are making life miserable for all of them. The best docks are ones that have spud poles on the corners and very close to deeper water. Remember this is a finesse presentation.

#### Ledge Fishing ...

Some ledges that were holding bass are empty and other ledges that weren't holding bass have decent schools on them. It almost like the fish are playing hide-n-seek. The best ledges for us are near the secondary channel and especially those with wood on them. Zman Shakey Heads and football head jigs dragged on the bottom were the best lures. Best depth was 18-22 feet.

**Stripe Bass Fishing** ... We've caught a fair amount of fish in the jumps at the mouths of the creeks and bays and on the main lake flats adjoining the Tennessee River Channel. These jumps are fast and furious and sometimes don't last very long but have produced some very nice fish. Remember when the surface action subsides to let the **Steel Shad blade bait or Ken's Hybrid Spinner** drop below the feeding school ... you'll be surprised how many you can catch that way. Also stripes are schooling along

main lake ledges. We used our Lowrance HDS System to find these schools and when we did we really caught them

**Bluegill & Redear ...** while we didn't fish for these specifically I did see some pretty nice fish at the cleaning station this week and with the on again off again mayfly hatches no doubt they were caught underneath overhanging tree limbs and around boat docks casting bug baits tipped with a cricket or wax worm.

Catfish & Crappie ... No Report

## Catch Fish & Have Fun on the Kick'n Bass Pontoon

# October is Fall Break So Book Your Trip NOW!



Pontoon Fishing is a blast! Check out the smiling faces on the French Family. This could be you! Join in on the fun!

If family fishing is your thing or just getting a group together to fellowship then the Kick'n Bass Pontoon is for you! If you want to have a Kick'n Good Time and catch some fish then you ought to book a trip on the Kick'n Bass Pontoon. Pictures tell the story. Check out the smiling faces. These folks had a BLAST!

Get Your Family or Friends Together and Book Your Trip Now! Corporate or Company Trip Packages Available Too!

To book a trip contact <a href="mailto:rk@kicknbass.net">rk@kicknbass.net</a> or call 270-703-6133

# Sonar Tip of the Week ...



I'd rather be lucky than good any day but let's face it having a properly tuned system and knowing how to use it can definitely increase the odds in your favor. With the shad on the move Stripe Bass and Hybrids are schooling up and looking to feed. The screen shows a number of large fish feeding on baitfish. We used Steel Shad blade baits and Ken's Hybrid spinners to catch the Stripes and as a bonus we caught several nice Hybrids too. Without the aid of our electronics, pinpointing the Hump and Saddle area would not have been possible.

Your system can find schools of fish like this too. If you want to get more out of your HDS system contact <a href="rk@kicknbass.net">rk@kicknbass.net</a> for your personal "On the water Sonar Class"

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

Randy, It just goes to show you what you don't know can sometimes hurt you. I didn't even realize I had problems with my set up until you pointed them out to me. With those issues resolved I was amazed at the difference in picture quality. I cannot thank you enough for the interest you showed in seeing that I was taken care of. Oh, I almost forgot, thanks for a great class I have a lot of confidence in my system now and what it will do for me.

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.

**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.

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 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.

# Ranger Boat for Sale

This boat and has been well taken care of and maintained. Always garage kept. Used but never abused. The boat handles and runs flawlessly.

My reason for selling the boat is, as a co-host on Feel-n-Reel TV it's in the best interest of our sponsors to have a current model boat on display. Therefore, a commitment has been made on a new boat and this one has to go at the Discounted Price.

Here are the particulars ...

2008 Ranger Z520

**2010** Evinrude Etec 250 HO.

BRP Extended Warranty until March 2016

Pro-Series Power Pole (1)

Fury Prop

Bob's Hydraulic Jack Plate

Led lighting in compartments and deck

(2) Lowrance Touch Screen 12's w/ HDI Transducer on Trolling Motor for Downscan on Bow. External 4000 antenna on rear deck.

Kick'n Bass Bow Mount Sonar Bracket for Touch Screen 12 on bow.

DuraSafe eLocks on both Touch Screen 12's & Round lock on Console RAM Mount

MinnKota Fortrex 24v 80lb trolling Motor (New in 2012)

3 Bank Battery Charger

3 Series 31 batteries (New in 2013)

New skins on seats (New in 2013)

Fish Guardian live well additive dispenser

Oxygenator in Live well

Tilt Wheel w/ Trim and Jack Plate controls on steering column

Foot Throttle

Remote Oil fill

Lock-R-Bar

Rangertrail Trailer - local miles only with less than 2000 miles on it. Tires in like new condition.

Boat Engine has 533 hours on it as of 8-7-13. Approximately 71% of the hours on the engine are between 750 – 1600 RPM. I idle a lot scanning for fish in my guide business and do not run a motor hard when I do run it. As I mentioned earlier, this motor has NOT been abused and runs flawlessly. Lower Unit lube changed monthly during Guide season. **Extended Warranty until March 2016.** 

This is a super sharp rig and the boat and engine are a perfect match. **Please Note that the carpet is Navy Blue** which was a special option when I ordered the boat but well worth the cost as it ties the interior and exterior colors together.









Someone will be getting a very good boat at a heck of a price!

Priced for Quick Sale ... \$33,950

Serious Inquiries only, please!

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