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New TV Show Featuring Kentucky Lake ...



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 Electronics and Trolling Motor repairs.

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 Youtube TV.

Here's link to our website where you can view this week's episode ... <http://feel-n-reel.com/index.htm>

Lake Conditions

Lake Levels ... Both lakes are about 2 feet below summer pool give or take a few inches. 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... Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s. East winds 5 mph.

Friday Night... Clear. Lows in the lower 60s. Calm winds.

Saturday...Mostly sunny. Highs around 90. Southwest winds 5 mph.

Saturday Night...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s. Southwest winds 5 mph in the evening becoming calm after midnight.

Sunday...Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs around 90.

Sunday Night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

Monday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 90s.

Monday Night...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 70s.

*** Fishing Report ***

Longer, Cooler Nights Jump Starts Fall Migration



You may have noticed that the nights are getting a little longer and cooler. Even with hot daytime temperatures, the longer, cooler nights have caused the water temperature to drop. While this is a subtle change, it is significant and triggers movement in bass. The cooling effect and longer nights prompt bass to begin their annual fall migration towards the back of coves, bays and creeks. Shad, the main forage for bass here on KY Lake, are making a similar move and the bass are taking notice. Shad like to roam in huge schools and if you can see the clouds of baitfish just under the surface then you know you're in the right place. Crankbaits, especially the lipless kind are particularly effective for finding schools of bass during this period. Lure colors that most resemble a shad can be lethal on feeding bass. *(Photo) Steve Flamion from Benton, KY with another good one.*

At times bass will stay shallow for extended periods. One cloudy day this week we had non-stop action for several hours in a pocket no larger than your back yard. The water color was stained and some fish were caught in water so shallow the trolling motor blade was barely submerged. As a general rule on windy days fish those pockets that are "slick". Our experience has shown that any pocket or bay with a little chop will not be as productive.

The shift of bass and baitfish to the shallows is offering my clients some of their best action of the year and some good ones are being caught too!

Bass Fishing ...

Shallow Water Pattern ... best areas for us this week has been in the back of the bays. Baitfish like to roam in huge schools this time of year and if you can see the clouds of baitfish just under the surface make a cast in their direction. Bass like to stalk their prey. One thing we did this week was to cast several different baits until we determined what the bass liked best. One client would cast a Steel Shad blade bait, Silver on clear days and Gold on cloudy. Another client would cast a SPRO ArukuShad75 in shad pattern. Something we noticed is the Yellows and White bass would hit the blade bait as well as the bass but the SPRO seemed to catch mostly bass with an occasional stripe. We determined that the bass would home in on the rattle.



The SPRO Aruku Shad does things no other lipless crank bait can. It's made to lock on its nose on the bottom where it actually looks like a feeding shad. Running nose down it makes it the most weed less lipless crankbait on the market. With super loud rattles the bass had no problem homing in on the bait, even in cloudy water. The sticky sharp Gamakatsu hooks kept the fish hooked up too. If you haven't tried this bait I think you'll be pleasantly surprised how well it performs.

Boat Dock Pattern ... Boat docks have been producing for us for several weeks now. The spawn fry are now large enough and there is tons of shad around the docks and the bass are feeding. The best docks are ones that have spud poles on the corners and very close to deeper water. Cast a weightless fluke type bait or a curly tail on a lead head for best results.

Ledge Fishing ... While this has been kinda feast or famine, none the less we've caught some pretty good fish at times using a 1, 2, 3 punch of a Crankbait, Steel Shad blade bait and a Shakey Head or jig. Zman Shakey Heads and football head jigs dragged on the bottom were the best lures. Best depth was 10-15 feet on the break.

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

Catfish ... We didn't fish specifically for cats this week but we did catch more than we should have. Every day we were out we caught several on Steel Shad blade baits when we were fishing for bass. I can't imagine what it would be like if we concentrated our efforts on just cat fishing.

Bluegill & Redear ... No Report

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Kick'n Bass Sonar Tip of the Week ...

Using Technology to Become a Better Fisherman!



You just never know what you might find when you're looking around! We found this submerged bridge during one of our sonar classes this week. It never seems to amaze me how a properly tuned system can deliver images like this. Participate in Kick'n Bass "On the Water" sonar class and you'll learn how to use technology to find fishing hotspots like this. For your own personal "On the water Sonar Class" Contact rk@kicknbass.net you'll be glad you did!

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

Randy,

Just wanted to say thanks again for the very informative, worthwhile class on Wednesday. It was a pleasure to work with such a professional and still feel at ease. I assure you that I will put it to good use. I will recommend your class to others. Thank you.

Dave Baty - Illinois

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 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.

