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Lake Conditions

All ramps are open and free from ice. The lingering ice in the back of the bays is gone too. Be advised that with the gates open and there is significant current in the upper lake. Beware of some floating debris that can be hazardous when running. Always wear your PFD and advise others of your plans.

Water Clarity and Temperature ...

Kentucky Lake ranges from quite dingy in some of the creeks with the main lake clearing slightly. The water at Barkley has quite a bit of color in it. Surface water temps on both lakes are around 40 degrees and warming slightly in the afternoons on sunny days.

Remember it's the base water temps that move the fish not always the surface temps. Dropping a thermometer down 5 feet I'm still finding 36 degree water. Use this little bit of info to your advantage when working your baits.

Weather Outlook

Friday...Partly sunny. A 30 percent chance of rain and snow in the afternoon. Highs in the lower 40s. Southeast winds 5 to 10 mph.

Friday Night...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of rain... Possibly mixed with snow. Lows in the mid 30s. South winds 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday...Mostly cloudy. Highs around 50. Southwest winds around 5 mph in the morning shifting to the north in the afternoon.

Saturday Night...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of rain. Lows around 40.

Sunday...Rain likely...Possibly mixed with freezing rain. Highs in the lower 40s. Chance of precipitation 70 percent.

Sunday Night...Rain...Freezing rain likely and sleet. Lows in the mid 20s. Chance of precipitation 70 percent.

Monday...Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of snow. Highs in the upper 20s.

Monday Night...Partly cloudy. Lows around 17. Highs in the lower 30s.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Lows around 17. Highs in the lower 30s.

Wednesday...Partly sunny. Highs in the upper 30s.

Prime Feeding Times for Kentucky Lake

Gilbertsville, KY 42044

Latitude: 36.92802 Longitude: -88.22018

Date	Forecast	Temps	Sun Data	Moon Data	Moon Phase	Major Times	Minor Times	Prediction
Friday 2/28/14		H: 40° L: 17°	Rise: 6:24 AM Set: 5:46 PM	Rise: 5:39 AM Set: 5:22 PM Overhead: 11:28 AM Underfoot: 2:00 AM	1% Waning Crescent	2:00 AM - 4:00 AM 11:28 AM - 1:28 PM	5:39 AM - 6:39 AM 5:22 PM - 6:22 PM	Best
Saturday 3/1/14		H: 52° L: 33°	Rise: 6:23 AM Set: 5:47 PM	Rise: 6:18 AM Set: 6:32 PM Overhead: 12:22 PM Underfoot: --:--	0% NEW MOON	--:-- --:-- 12:22 PM - 2:22 PM	6:18 AM - 7:18 AM 6:32 PM - 7:32 PM	SEASONS BEST
Sunday 3/2/14		H: 41° L: 37°	Rise: 6:22 AM Set: 5:48 PM	Rise: 6:56 AM Set: 7:40 PM Overhead: 1:11 PM Underfoot: 12:49 AM	3% Waxing Crescent	12:49 AM - 2:49 AM 1:11 PM - 3:11 PM	6:56 AM - 7:56 AM 7:40 PM - 8:40 PM	Better++
Monday 3/3/14		H: 31° L: 25°	Rise: 6:20 AM Set: 5:49 PM	Rise: 7:34 AM Set: 8:46 PM Overhead: 2:08 PM Underfoot: 1:42 AM	8% Waxing Crescent	1:42 AM - 3:42 AM 2:08 PM - 4:08 PM	7:34 AM - 8:34 AM 8:46 PM - 9:46 PM	Good
Tuesday 3/4/14		H: 32° L: 16°	Rise: 6:19 AM Set: 5:50 PM	Rise: 8:12 AM Set: 9:50 PM Overhead: 2:59 PM Underfoot: 2:33 AM	15% Waxing Crescent	2:33 AM - 4:33 AM 2:59 PM - 4:59 PM	8:12 AM - 9:12 AM 9:50 PM - 10:50 PM	Average
Wednesday 3/5/14		H: 36° L: 17°	Rise: 6:17 AM Set: 5:51 PM	Rise: 8:52 AM Set: 10:51 PM Overhead: 3:50 PM Underfoot: 3:24 AM	23% Waxing Crescent	3:24 AM - 5:24 AM 3:50 PM - 5:50 PM	8:52 AM - 9:52 AM 10:51 PM - 11:51 PM	Average

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

Check out our TV Show "Crank'in For Crappie" <http://feel-n-reel.com/past-shows.htm>



Catch Fish and Have Fun on the Kick'n Bass Pontoon!

Fishing Report



Crappie ... (Photo) Capt. Rich Bay and his son Michael with some nice white & Black Crappie caught fishing off the Pontoon. Not much to report except that some huge crappie, both black & white variety are being caught from the Kick'n Bass Pontoon on minnows and jigs tipped with minnows. While the numbers are low the size of the fish is outstanding. Most are being caught drifting over brush 10-15 feet deep and at the mouth of the bays in deeper water 18 -20 feet around the old creek stumps. Spider rigging and drifting during windy days with drift socks is the ticket. **Bass Fishing ...** is either feast or famine. Some fish are being caught slow rolling a crank bait or on a lipless crankbait with a slow retrieve. Jerk baits are catching a few. Northwest banks

with very deep water nearby are best after the sun has been on them a while. The water is cold so a slow presentation is in order. The good news is warmer weather will be here soon.

SONAR TIP OF THE WEEK ...



I find this screen to be a very useful especially when I'm in "search mode" and one that I program in touch screen units during our "On the Water" sonar class. It offers the user both side scan and down scan capability to view a large area and an electronic topo map to identify boat position. With the ability to pinpoint the user's Boat Position (arrow) and the Heading Extension (blue line) to steer the boat to the target, the angler can systematically scan an area. Finding submerged structures like this is one of the highlights of the class and more times than not they make dandy fishing spots too! 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 rk@kicknbass.net

Here's what one of our clients had to say about his "On the Water" class ...

Randy, Let me start by saying you class was something I should have done three years ago! Knowing how to teach people is a special skill and I want to thank you for the knowledge you shared and I look forward to using the new skills I learned to further my fishing experience.

Brad Hosteteler – Franklin, IN.

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.

Installation Photos of Smart Bracket Console Mounting System and Bow Mount Sonar Bracket and Bow Plate on a Ranger Z520C w/Lowrance 12 Touch Screen



The Smart Bracket Mounting System is available on other makes & models of boats.

Be sure and Check out our webpage for more photos and other Sonar Accessories.

<http://kicknbass.net/sonar-accessories.php>