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#### **Lake Conditions**

**Lake Levels ...** As of this morning both lakes are a approximately two feet below summer pool. The Lakes are entering the slow rise in accordance with the spring operating guide. For additional info, including generation schedule for Kentucky Lake, visit the TVA website: <a href="http://www.tva.gov/lakes/kyh\_r.htm">http://www.tva.gov/lakes/kyh\_r.htm</a>

**Water Clarity and Temperature ... Kentucky Lake** ranges from stain in some of the creeks with the main lake color clear to slightly murky. **Barkley Lake** ... the main lake is stained with some creeks beginning to clear. Surface water temps on both lakes are hovering around the 60 degree mark and warming steadily on sunny days. Remember it's the base water temps that move fish not necessarily surface water temps. In other words it takes several days of consistent warming to move fish that are deeper or suspended over deeper water so plan your fishing accordingly.

### **Weather Outlook**

**Today**...Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 60s. Northwest winds 5 to 10 mph.

**Tonight**...Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 40s. West winds 5 mph.

**Saturday**...Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 60s. Northeast winds around 5 mph.

**Saturday Night...**Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40s. East winds around 5 mph.

**Sunday**...Partly sunny. Highs in the mid 70s. South winds 5 to 10 mph.

**Sunday Night**...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 60.

**Monday**...Showers and thunderstorms likely. Highs in the lower 70s. Chance of precipitation 70 percent.

**Monday Night**...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers. Lows in the lower 50s. **Tuesday**...Partly sunny. Highs in the lower 70s.

**Tuesday Night**...Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 50s. Chance of precipitation 30 percent.

### Prime Feeding Times for Gilbertsville, KY 42044

Date	Sun Data	Moon Data	Moon Phase	Major Activity Times	Minor Activity Times	Prediction
Friday	Rises: 6:25 am	Rises: 12:20 am Sets: 10:47 am	66%	5:35 am-7:35 am	12:20 am-1:20 am	O
4/10/2015	Sets: 7:23 pm	Over: 5:35 am Under: 6:02 pm	Waning Gibbous	6:02 pm-8:02 pm	10:47 am-11:47 am	Average
Saturday	Rises: 6:24 am	Rises: 1:13 am Sets: 11:45 am	50%	6:29 am-8:29 am	1:13 am-2:13 am	O
4/11/2015	Sets: 7:24 pm	Over: 6:29 am Under: 6:56 pm	Last Quarter	6:56 pm-8:56 pm	11:45 am-12:45 pm	Average
Sunday	Rises: 6:22 am	Rises: 2:02 am Sets: 12:46 pm	44%	7:23 am-9:23 am	2:02 am-3:02 am	O
4/12/2015	Sets: 7:25 pm	Over: 7:23 am Under: 7:51 pm	Waning Crescent	7:51 pm-9:51 pm	12:46 pm-1:46 pm	Average
Monday	Rises: 6:21 am	Rises: 2:48 am Sets: 1:51 pm	33%	8:18 am-10:18 am	2:48 am-3:48 am	O
4/13/2015	Sets: 7:25 pm	Over: 8:18 am Under: 8:46 pm	Waning Crescent	8:46 pm-10:46 pm	1:51 pm-2:51 pm	Average
Tuesday	Rises: 6:20 am	Rises: 3:31 am Sets: 2:59 pm	22%	9:13 am-11:13 am	3:31 am-4:31 am	O
4/14/2015	Sets: 7:26 pm	Over: 9:13 am Under: 9:40 pm	Waning Crescent	9:40 pm-11:40 pm	2:59 pm-3:59 pm	Average
Wednesday	Rises: 6:18 am	Rises: 4:12 am Sets: 4:08 pm	13%	10:08 am-12:08 pm	4:12 am-5:12 am	O
4/15/2015	Sets: 7:27 pm	Over: 10:08 am Under: 10:35 pm	Waning Crescent	10:35 pm-12:35 am	4:08 pm-5:08 pm	Average
Thursday	Rises: 6:17 am	Rises: 4:52 am Sets: 5:18 pm	6%	11:02 am-1:02 pm	4:52 am-5:52 am	Good
4/16/2015	Sets: 7:28 pm	Over: 11:02 am Under: 11:30 pm	Waning Crescent	11:30 pm-1:30 am	5:18 pm-6:18 pm	

## Fishing Report

Crappie ... If the winds would cooperate crappie fishing would be a whole lot better than it is. None the less some good catches are being made with fish being caught shallow, deep over brush and in between. Capt. Rich has been making a real good account of himself this week in the Kick'n Bass Pontoon with some big fish being caught. Most crappie are being caught drifting minnows or jigs 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 has been decent but trolling cranks is beginning to be a factor on the ledges where some big whites and blacks are being caught but only in fair numbers. The black crappie are just beginning to show up on the banks and are being caught in 4-6 feet deep and in some cases



deeper. The best bite seems to be in the afternoon on sunny days. We're catching a few crappie casting the banks but, again this has been hampered by the windy conditions.

**B ass Fishing** ... I'd rate bass fishing better than crappie fishing. A lot of fish are being caught shallow on crank baits both lipless and square bill but the best fish are coming on Alabama rigs, Jerk Baits and Strike King 6XD's on suspended fish. (Photo) The Barga Boys, son Steven and dad Ray with four of the five fish they caught on Alabama Rigs to win the Relay for Life tournament held on Kentucky Lake. Late this week we did see a movement whereby the smaller male largemouth are beginning to show up on the shallow flats adjacent to the feeder creeks. Several fish were caught on lipless crank baits and Steel Shad blade baits. As the water rises and warms bass fishing and the shallow water bite. Will get real hot. Just a matter of days folks ...

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The Spurlock family from Illinois with some slab crappie caught from the Kick'n Bass Pontoon

## **Precision Sonar**

## Electronics Tip of the Week

Sonar Accessory website: <a href="http://precisionsonar.com/index.htm">http://precisionsonar.com/index.htm</a>

### A Screen that has a Map, Sonar and Downscan can keep you on the fish

I get asked often "What screen do you use on the front of the boat?" This photo shows one of my most useful screens and one I recommend to my clients. As you can see the 2D image on the top right side of the screen has both 2D Sonar and an Amplitude Scope.

I find this part of the screen useful because the Amplitude Scope acts as a "real time" flasher, which shows an object as it immediately enters the sonar cone below. The remainder of the 2D Sonar gives me an idea of what is there. The Downscan portion of the screen projects in High Definition, the object and defines what it is ... cover, fish or both. Using the "Track Back" feature I can then mark the location and use the Map on the left to revisit the area for a better look or if it looks promising fish it.



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@precisionsonar.com

**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. We'll meet at our Installation and Repair facility and 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 Precision Sonar's "On the Water" Sonar Class ...

Randy, what a great time I had and learned a lot too! I'll recommend your class to all my friends in the club!

Jacob Davis - Mt. Clemons, MI.

Randy, the sonar class has changed the way I look at fishing in general. No longer will I be just a bank beater.

Frank Davis - Indianapolis, In.

Randy, Thanks a lot for getting my boat straightened out. I didn't realize I had so many issues. The guys at Bass & Gas are the best! The class was the bomb!

Dillard Johnson - St. Louis, Mo.

Our service is not a seminar, watching a video on youtube, or looking at a depth finder in a classroom. It's hands on, in your boat using your electronics class that will take your understanding and know-how to another level!

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## Here's just some of what Precision Sonar can do for YOU!

- Make sure your HDS unit(s) has the correct settings for the type of fishing you do.
- Program the individual screens and install the overlay data on the screen that you want. Example: Depth, Water Temp, Time, etc.
- Arrange the screens so they display what you want them to show and make going from page to page orderly and non-confusing.

- Eliminate unwanted, non-practical on screen data that clutters your screen and gets in the way of using your unit to its maximum potential.
- Learn the art of waypoint management. No more cluttered maps with useless or unproductive waypoints. You'll learn how to identify which locations are waypoint worthy and how to go back to those locations without ever assigning a waypoint. You'll learn to only assign a waypoint once you are satisfied the location is worth saving.
- Demo the unit for you to help you be familiar with the screens and commands, so you'll have a good understanding of how to use the unit and take advantage of its fish finding capabilities.
- Provide you with back up material to keep you on track once the class is over.

As a bonus you'll learn to read an electronic topo map and learn how to condense and area to a manageable level and identify those sweet spots that hold fish.

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