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### **Lake Conditions**

**Lake Levels ...** Looking at the indicators at my dock here on Malcolm creek it appears that we are right at summer pool. We're having slightly more than normal water entering from the south so expect TVA to continue to randomly raise and lower the gates for a period of time to adjust for the influx of water. This will increase the amount of current in the lake. There is some floating debris on the lakes so boat with caution. 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 stain in some of the creeks and bays with the main lake color clearing. **Barkley Lake ...** the main lake is stained and the creeks and bays stained. There is still some floating debris on the lake so boat with caution. The Lowrance temperature probe on my Ranger showed water temps ranging from 66 degrees on the main lake and 68 in the bays.

### **Weather Outlook**

**Friday...**Sunny. Highs around 70. North winds 5 mph.

**Friday Night...**Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. Northwest winds 5 mph.

**Saturday...**Partly sunny. Highs in the mid 70s. Calm winds in the morning becoming west 5 mph in the afternoon.

**Saturday Night...**Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s. Southeast winds 5 mph.

**Sunday...**Partly sunny. Highs in the upper 70s.

**Sunday Night...**Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 50s.

**Monday...**Mostly sunny. Highs around 80.

**Monday Night...**Mostly clear. Lows around 60.

## Prime Feeding Times for Gilbertsville, KY 42044

Date	Sun Data	Moon Data	Moon Phase	Major Activity Times	Minor Activity Times	Prediction
Friday 5/2/2014	Rises: 5:57 am Sets: 7:42 pm	Rises: 8:35 am Sets: 11:02 pm Over: 3:50 pm Under: 3:25 am	12% Waxing Crescent	3:25 am-5:25 am 3:50 pm-5:50 pm	8:35 am-9:35 am 11:02 pm-12:02 am	☼ Average
Saturday 5/3/2014	Rises: 5:56 am Sets: 7:43 pm	Rises: 9:27 am Sets: 11:48 pm Over: 4:39 pm Under: 4:15 am	19% Waxing Crescent	4:15 am-6:15 am 4:39 pm-6:39 pm	9:27 am-10:27 am 11:48 pm-12:48 am	☼ Average
Sunday 5/4/2014	Rises: 5:55 am Sets: 7:44 pm	Rises: 10:19 am Sets: --- Over: 5:27 pm Under: 5:03 am	28% Waxing Crescent	5:03 am-7:03 am 5:27 pm-7:27 pm	10:19 am-11:19 am ---:---:---	☼ Average
Monday 5/5/2014	Rises: 5:54 am Sets: 7:45 pm	Rises: 11:13 am Sets: 12:29 am Over: 6:13 pm Under: 5:50 am	37% Waxing Crescent	5:50 am-7:50 am 6:13 pm-8:13 pm	12:29 am-1:29 am 11:13 am-12:13 pm	☼ Average
Tuesday 5/6/2014	Rises: 5:53 am Sets: 7:46 pm	Rises: 12:07 pm Sets: 1:06 am Over: 6:58 pm Under: 6:36 am	50% First Quarter	6:36 am-8:36 am 6:58 pm-8:58 pm	1:06 am-2:06 am 12:07 pm-1:07 pm	☼ Average
Wednesday 5/7/2014	Rises: 5:52 am Sets: 7:47 pm	Rises: 1:02 pm Sets: 1:41 am Over: 7:41 pm Under: 7:20 am	55% Waxing Gibbous	7:20 am-9:20 am 7:41 pm-9:41 pm	1:41 am-2:41 am 1:02 pm-2:02 pm	☼ Average
Thursday 5/8/2014	Rises: 5:51 am Sets: 7:48 pm	Rises: 1:57 pm Sets: 2:13 am Over: 8:25 pm Under: 8:03 am	65% Waxing Gibbous	8:03 am-10:03 am 8:25 pm-10:25 pm	2:13 am-3:13 am 1:57 pm-2:57 pm	☼ Average

## Fishing Report



**Bass Fishing ...** This has been a very productive and fun filled week for our clients. Mike and Minnie DiSanza from Lexington (*photo L*) and I had a day none of us will soon forget. The morning started off with a post-spawn female over 7 pounds being caught on our first cast and our good fortune continued for another 4 hours. We doubled several times and tripled at least once. A lot of credit goes to Minnie for graduating from a Zebco push button reel to spinning tackle. She took instruction well and in a very short time was casting and catching. I think the DiSanza's are hooked on KY Lake and Bee Spring

Lodge! Mike, Bass & Gas sells the Shimano Spinning combo Minnie was using so you might want to pick one up for her on the way out of town! It would make a nice Mothers Day present. LOL!

Phil Cox, (*right*) came down from Ohio to participate in our "on the Water" Sonar Class sponsored by *Precision Sonar* and to spend a few days fishing with his brother Gary. We had a real good time side scanning and finding bass along the pea gravel banks and Phil put what he'd learned to good use by catching several nice bass. It's nice to see a client having some success and a good return on their investment. I really liked being with Phil and Gary they were a couple of pretty cool guys and pretty good fishermen too!

## Productive Fishing Patterns

**Main Lake ...** schools of post spawn bass are congregating on the main lake points at the mouth of the bays and when you find





a school, the bass are plentiful and aggressive. Our best method to catch them, hands down, was using a shakeyhead with a ZMan 7" finesse worm, the color didn't seem to matter and a PJ's 3/16 Bass Extractor jighead. At times we let the lure sit and the bass would find it or other times we would gently drag it and it was game on. **Back of the Bays ...** We found some nice fish way up in the creeks too. Previously with the water being up in the woods a lot of fish were inaccessible but with drawn down this week those fish have moved to the outer edge of the brush. With that, flipping or pitching plastics came into play and one day in particular Andrew Harrison from Ashland put on a clinic on how to use finesse gear and pitched a wacky style senko type lure to out fish his buddy Virgil and me. With the water lowering and starting to clear a more subtle presentation is may be in order. **Ledge Bite ...** with the schools of bass at the mouth of the bays it won't be long before they make it to the Ledges. A few fish are already there and taking crank baits but the best action is yet to come.

**Crappie ...** We've had mixed results on crappie this week again but what I can tell you is while at times the numbers have been down we have caught some monster fish. For the most part the crappie spawn is over and the blacks have scattered some but the whites are suspending off the points in the bays. **Kick'n Bass Pontoon Fishing ...** The results have been about the same from the pontoon. Mixed results number wise but really big fish. Trolling cranks is beginning to be a factor of the points and ledges where some big whites and blacks are being caught. This best bite seems to be best on sunny days. This is a really cool way to fish and have fun

**White Bass, Redear & Bluegill ...** are showing up in small numbers. Expect with warmer temps and a better moon phase that these species will turn on shortly. I'd be scouting for bedding 'ears and 'gills if I were you!

***Have a Blast on the Kick'n Bass Pontoon. We furnish the rods & reels and lures, clean and package your catch. It's the BEST VALUE on the lake!***



*The Jerry Allison Group (left) and Mike Herrick and friends (right) caught some monster crappie fishing this week from the Kick'n Bass Pontoon. Call **NOW** & get in on the action!*

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### ***Electronics Tip of the Week***

Sonar Accessory website: <http://precisionsonar.com/index.htm>

No doubt Crappie fishing has been hit or miss this spring but every now and then we hit things just right. Using our Lowrance StructureScan in Down Scan mode we revisited a location we found last year during one of our classes and it was loaded with crappie. The fish were pre-spawn whites and our clients reported catching them right before dark casting KY Green Curly tails tipped with a minnow. No doubt, without the help of our Lowrance electronics no way would we have been able to find this place a year later and put our clients on such a sweet spot.



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](mailto: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, thanks for a great class. It was definitely worth the investment and time.*

*Steve Phillips – Louisville, KY*

*Randy, wow! What a fun and productive way to learn how to use your electronics effectively.*

*James Rappaport – Elgin, IL.*

*Thanks for taking the time to look my system over. The changes you made really made a difference. This week I fished my home lake and found bass that I never would have found before. The class was right on!*

*David Williams - Dayton, OH.*

**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!**

**IF YOU'RE **CONFUSED, FRUSTRATED, AND NEED ANSWERS** then Precision Sonar's "On the Water Sonar Class" is for YOU!**

**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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