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Lake Conditions

Lake Levels ... Stable at summer pool. 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 ... Both lakes have what I would consider as ideal water clarity for fishing. The Lowrance temperature probe on my Ranger showed water temps ranging from 78 degrees on the main lake and 82 in the bays with water warming in the afternoon on sunny days.

Weather Outlook

Friday...Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.

Friday Night...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 70. Southwest winds 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday...Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. Southwest winds 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday Night...Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s. South winds around 5 mph.

Sunday...Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s.

Sunday Night...Partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s.

Monday...Partly sunny with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s.

Monday Night...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s.

Tuesday...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s.

Prime Feeding Times for Gilbertsville, KY 42044

12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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Fishing Report

Bass Fishing ... Offshore fishing has been inconsistently good for us. What I mean by that is when we've been able to zero in on fish we have caught good numbers of better than average size fish. However, when it's been slow it has been very slow. A lot of fish are still in the bays, especially at the mouth of the bays. Again we have employed the freestyle jig and swim bait combo and the Shakey Head to catch most of our fish with the Steel Shad blade bait starting to come into it's own when we find the bass schooled up and suspended off the ledges.



One technique that I mentioned in my last report and has gained serious momentum is dragging a 6" Blueback Herring ZMan swimmerZ (A swim bait type lure) on a PJ's freestyle football head

jig. The ElaZtech material keeps the shad imitator floating tail up while the jig keeps the bait nose down while lifelike action is achieved as the freestyle hook allows the swim bait to move back & forth. As the jig is dragged across the bottom silt is kicked up and the SwimmerZ gives the appearance of a large shad feeding on the bottom. Our heaviest fish have come with on this bait.

ZMan finesse worms fished Shakey Head style using a PJ's Bass extractor Jig with a special wire keeper to keep the worm snug against the jig head has been an absolute killer for numbers of fish on the ledges. We used Shimano Crucial & Cumara Shakey Head rods and Shimano ci4 reels spooled with Power Pro yellow 10lb. braid and a 10lb 100% fluorocarbon leader. This set up gives you the feel, cast ability and strength without the weight to fish all day long and fight



some real good fish. Besides, it's just plain fun to fish this way. If you haven't tried this combination then you don't know what you're missing. If you're in the KY Lakes area see Rhonda at Bass & Gas on Hwy 68 and she'll show you the right equipment. Carolina rigged lizards and slow rolling 8" swim baits on main lake ledges has produced some fish.

Stripes (White Bass & Yellows)

White bass are beginning to show up in decent numbers and Yellows are too. Casting a Steel Shad Blade Bait has been our best bet on the ledges where we're finding decent schools of whites suspending off the main drops in 12-18 feet of water. Try ripping the bait off the bottom and then abruptly stop it and let it flutter to the bottom. Some of our best catches have been on the fall.

Bluegill & Redear Fishing ... Fishing for both species has been fair this week. Best methods have been using

Shelton's Bluegill bug with and without a cricket and fishing a cricket under an ESB slip bobber was a strong second. The Redear seem to be bedding slightly deeper than last year and aren't as plentiful so if you don't find them real shallow keep this in mind.



Crappie Fishing ... Mixed results number wise but really big fish. Trolling cranks is beginning to be a serious factor off 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. *(Photo) Kathy & Danika Apostolovich from Illinois with some nice crappie.*

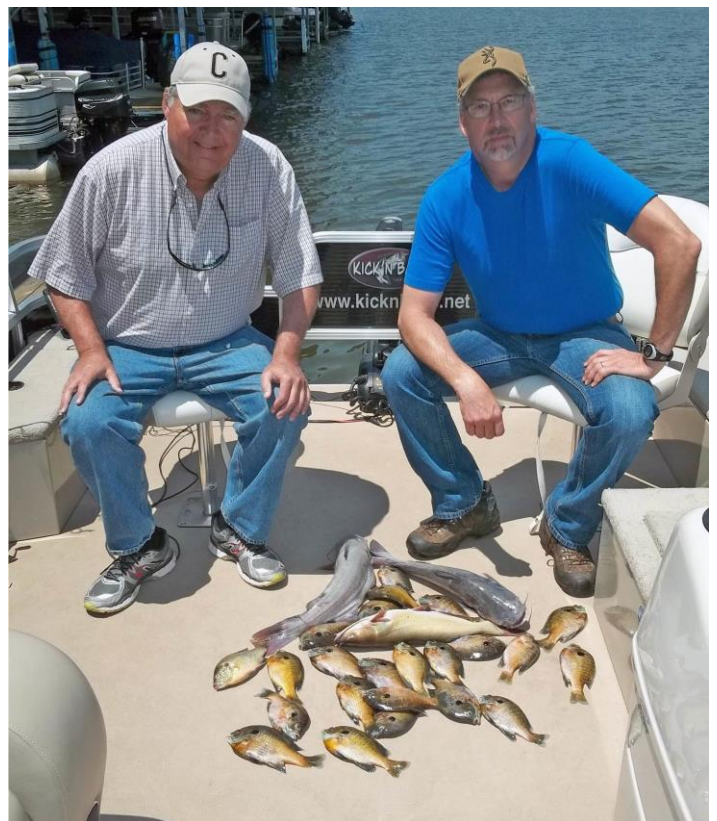
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Catfish ... catfishing is very good on just about any live bait you want to use. A big juicy nite crawler would be my choice but a lot of the bait shops have a great assortment of catfish baits and tackle. Captain Rich has been loading the boat all week.

(Photo L) Capt. Rich with a 20 lb. cat caught by Dave Armstrong and his group.



(Photo R) Martin Clark & Tim Geeghan with some nice gills and cats fishing from the pontoon.

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- **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.

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- Provide you with back up material to keep you on track once the class is over.

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