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#### **Lake Conditions**

**Lake Levels ...** Stable at summer pool. However, this could change with the predicted rainfall amounts we've had and are projected to receive in the next few days. For additional info, including generation schedule for Kentucky Lake, visit the TVA website: <a href="http://www.tva.gov/lakes/kyhr.htm">http://www.tva.gov/lakes/kyhr.htm</a>

**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 83 degrees on the main lake and 85 in the bays with water warming in the afternoon on sunny days.

#### **Weather Outlook**

**Friday**...Showers and thunderstorms likely. Highs around 80. West winds around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation 60 percent.

**Friday Night**...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s. Southwest winds 5 mph.

**Independence Day**...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s.

**Saturday Night**...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s.

**Sunday**...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s.

**Sunday Night**...Partly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s.

**Monday**...Partly sunny with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 80s.

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

#### Prime Feeding Times for Gilbertsville, KY 42044

3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Sun:	Sun:	Sun:	Sun:	Sun:	Sun:	Sun:
Rise: 5:27 AM Transit: 1:18 PM Set: 9:09 PM	Rise: 5:27 AM Transit: 1:18 PM Set: 9:09 PM	Rise: 5:28 AM Transit: 1:18 PM Set: 9:09 PM	Rise: 5:29 AM Transit: 1:19 PM Set: 9:08 PM	Rise: 5:29 AM Transit: 1:19 PM Set: 9:08 PM	Rise: 5:30 AM Transit: 1:19 PM Set: 9:07 PM	Rise: 5:31 AM Transit: 1:19 PM Set: 9:07 PM
Moon:	Moon:	Moon:	Moon:	Moon:	Moon:	Moon:
Rise: 10:09 PM Transit: 2:22 AM Under Foot: 2:53 PM Set: 7:24 AM	Rise: 10:48 PM Transit: 3:19 AM Under Foot: 3:48 PM Set: 8:35 AM	Rise: 11:23 PM Transit: 4:14 AM Under Foot: 4:43 PM Set: 9:48 AM	Rise: 11:56 PM Transit: 5:08 AM Under Foot: 5:36 PM Set: 11:01 AM	Rise: (r) Transit: 6:00 AM Under Foot: 6:28 PM Set: 12:14 PM	Rise: 12:28 AM Transit: 6:52 AM Under Foot: 7:20 PM Set: 1:27 PM	Rise: 1:01 AM Transit: 7:44 AM Under Foot: 8:12 PM Set: 2:38 PM
Moon Phase:	Moon Phase:	Moon Phase:	Moon Phase:	Moon Phase:	Moon Phase:	Moon Phase:
Waning Gibbous 96% Illuminated	Waning Gibbous 91% Illuminated	Waning Gibbous 83% Illuminated	Waning Gibbous 74% Illuminated	Waning Gibbous 63% Illuminated	Last Quarter 52% Illuminated	Waning Crescent 40% Illuminated
Good Activity:	Good Activity:	Good Activity:	Good Activity:	Good Activity:	Good Activity:	Good Activity:
6:24 AM - 8:24 AM 9:09 PM - 11:09 PM	7:35 AM - 9:35 AM 9:48 PM - 11:48 PM	8:48 AM - 10:48 AM 10:23 PM - 12:23 AM(n)	10:01 AM = 12:01 PM 10:56 PM = 12:56 AM(n)	11:28 PM(p) - 1:28 AM 11:14 AM - 1:14 PM	11:28 PM(p) - 1:28 AM 12:27 PM - 2:27 PM	12:01 AM - 2:01 AM 1:38 PM - 3:38 PM
Excellent Activity: 12:52 AM = 3:52 AM 1:23 PM = 4:23 PM	Excellent Activity: 1:49 AM - 4:49 AM 2:18 PM - 5:18 PM	Excellent Activity: 2:44 AM - 5:44 AM	Excellent Activity: 3:38 AM - 6:38 AM	Excellent Activity: 4:30 AM - 7:30 AM	Excellent Activity: 5:22 AM - 8:22 AM	Excellent Activity: 6:14 AM - 9:14 AM 6:42 PM - 9:42 PM
Day Rating:	Day Rating:	3:13 PM - 6:13 PM  Day Rating:	4:06 PM - 7:06 PM  Day Rating:	4:58 PM - 7:58 PM  Day Rating:	5:50 PM - 8:50 PM  Day Rating:	Day Rating:

### Fishing Report





I would rate this week's bass fishing surprisingly good considering the heat. We've changed our approach from last week to make things happen and it's paid off. Early morning we're scanning the mouths of the bays and the river ledges for schools of bass with baitfish. If baitfish are present

the bass are active and willing to be caught on Shakey Heads, crank baits, Steel Shad Blade Baits and big worms. Those schools without bait are by far less active. Best depths seem to be 12-15 feet next to deeper water. (Photo L) Larry Grash, from Frankfort, KY with a big smallmouth and Mike Greer from Indiana with a real good largemouth bass.

As the day progresses we switch to main lake boat docks and pitch small plastics to extend the bite. One bait in particular, ZMan MinnoZ in *Opening Night* color fished on a 1/16 oz lead head or Texas Rigged ultra light style, was a pretty hot number for us this week. The best docks are the ones with Spud Poles on the corners. Spud Poles, for those of you that don't know what they are, are steel tubes that are placed on the corners of the dock and allow the structure to raise up and down with the fluctuating water levels. With the higher water temps algae is now forming on the poles and the smaller minnows and gamefish fry are feeding there and the bass are making life miserable for them. We caught a lot of fish doing this including some good ones.

#### **Stripes (White Bass & Yellows)**



White bass are beginning to show up in decent numbers and Yellows are too. And they're mixed in with some nice cats 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 them abruptly stop it and let if flutter to the bottom. Some of our best catches have been on the fall. (*Photo L*) Bill Curtis with his young brood caught some nice yellows drifting minnows.

**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.

**Catfish** ... catfishing is the best it's been in years for sure and 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 and some BIG ONES too on a Steel Shad Blade Bait! (Photo R) Austin Greer with a nice cat he caught on a Steel Shad Blade Bait fishing from the Kick'n Bass Pontoon.

**Bluegill & Redear Fishing** ... We did not fish for these species therefore there is no report.





# Try Kick'n Bass Pontoon Fishing Adventures





The John Blackburn Group (Photo L) had a blast on the Pontoon catching Stripes and catfish. Mike Greer (R) and his family caught some real nice cats fishing from the Kick'n Bass Pontoon.

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## Electronics Tip of the Week

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In this photo one of our clients marks a fish holding location during one of our classes this week. Our sonar class is a hands on, in your boat, using your electronics program developed to take your sonar ability to the next level. To find out more and schedule your personalized "On the Water" Sonar Class contact <a href="mailto:rk@precisionsonar.com">rk@precisionsonar.com</a>

Here's what some of our clients are saying about Precision Sonar's "On the Water" Sonar Class and their Precision Sonar Mounting Systems ... Randy, thanks for a great class my units are cooking now and I feel a lot better about the investment I made. I found a nice school of fish this week and no way would I have been able to do that before I took your class. The class is the BOMB!

Ashley Stevens - Nashville, IL

Hey Ashley you showed a lot of promise during the class and it doesn't surprise me at all that you're being successful with your electronics. Time on the water is quality time.

RK

Randy, thanks for a great class and great time on the water. You provided a lot of info that will definitely help me in my guide business up north. Thanks for sharing.

Warren Pravaleck - Grand Falls, MN.

No problem glad to do it. Maybe we can hook up for a trip on some of those trout lakes this fall.

RK

#### 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.

Our service is not an indoor 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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