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<http://eepurl.com/-3Sbj>.

Lake Levels ... Current lake level is approximately one foot below summer pool and on a slow drawdown in accordance with the normal TVA operating schedule. 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 ideal water clarity for fishing. The Lowrance temperature probe on my Ranger showed water temps ranging from 86 degrees on the main lake and 89 in the bays with water warming in the afternoon on sunny days.

Weather Outlook

Friday...Sunny. Highs in the upper 80s. North winds 5 mph.

Friday Night...Clear. Lows in the upper 60s. Northwest winds 5 mph in the evening becoming calm after midnight.

Saturday...Mostly sunny. Highs around 90. Northwest winds 5 mph.

Saturday Night...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 60s. North winds 5 mph in the evening becoming calm after midnight.

Sunday...Mostly sunny. Highs around 90.

Sunday Night...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 60s.

Monday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 90s.

Monday Night...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 70s.

Tuesday...Mostly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 90s.

Tuesday Night...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 70.

Wednesday...Partly sunny with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in

Prime Feeding Times for Gilbertsville, KY 42044

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Sun: Rise: 5:54 AM Transit: 1:20 PM Set: 8:46 PM Moon: Rise: 8:44 PM Transit: 1:05 AM Under Foot: 1:36 PM Set: 6:15 AM Moon Phase: Full Moon 100% Illuminated Good Activity: 5:15 AM - 7:15 AM 7:44 PM - 9:44 PM Excellent Activity: 11:35 PM(p) - 2:35 AM 12:06 PM - 3:06 PM Day Rating: ★★★★★	Sun: Rise: 5:58 AM Transit: 12:59 PM Set: 7:59 PM Moon: Rise: 8:49 PM Transit: 1:40 AM Under Foot: 2:10 PM Set: 7:20 AM Moon Phase: Waning Gibbous 98% Illuminated Good Activity: 6:20 AM - 8:20 AM 7:49 PM - 9:49 PM Excellent Activity: 12:10 AM - 3:10 AM 12:40 PM - 3:40 PM Day Rating: ★★★★★	Sun: Rise: 5:58 AM Transit: 12:59 PM Set: 7:58 PM Moon: Rise: 9:30 PM Transit: 2:36 AM Under Foot: 3:06 PM Set: 8:30 AM Moon Phase: Waning Gibbous 93% Illuminated Good Activity: 7:30 AM - 9:30 AM 8:30 PM - 10:30 PM Excellent Activity: 1:06 AM - 4:06 AM 1:36 PM - 4:36 PM Day Rating: ★☆☆☆☆	Sun: Rise: 5:59 AM Transit: 12:59 PM Set: 7:57 PM Moon: Rise: 10:09 PM Transit: 3:31 AM Under Foot: 4:00 PM Set: 9:39 AM Moon Phase: Waning Gibbous 85% Illuminated Good Activity: 8:39 AM - 10:39 AM 9:09 PM - 11:09 PM Excellent Activity: 2:01 AM - 5:01 AM 2:30 PM - 5:30 PM Day Rating: ☆☆☆☆☆	Sun: Rise: 6:00 AM Transit: 12:59 PM Set: 7:56 PM Moon: Rise: 10:48 PM Transit: 4:25 AM Under Foot: 4:53 PM Set: 10:48 AM Moon Phase: Waning Gibbous 76% Illuminated Good Activity: 9:48 AM - 11:48 AM 9:48 PM - 11:48 PM Excellent Activity: 2:55 AM - 5:55 AM 3:23 PM - 6:23 PM Day Rating: ★☆☆☆☆	Sun: Rise: 6:01 AM Transit: 12:58 PM Set: 7:55 PM Moon: Rise: 11:28 PM Transit: 5:18 AM Under Foot: 5:47 PM Set: 11:55 AM Moon Phase: Waning Gibbous 66% Illuminated Good Activity: 10:55 AM - 12:55 PM 10:28 PM - 12:28 AM(n) Excellent Activity: 3:48 AM - 6:48 AM 4:17 PM - 7:17 PM Day Rating: ★☆☆☆☆	Sun: Rise: 6:02 AM Transit: 12:58 PM Set: 7:54 PM Moon: Rise: (r) Transit: 6:11 AM Under Foot: 6:40 PM Set: 1:01 PM Moon Phase: Last Quarter 54% Illuminated Good Activity: 11:09 PM(p) - 1:09 AM 12:01 PM - 2:01 PM Excellent Activity: 4:41 AM - 7:41 AM 5:10 PM - 8:10 PM Day Rating: ★★☆☆☆

Fishing Report - From the Ranger Boat

With the extremely HOT weather we have spent most of our time this week fishing at night. With the full moon and clear skies we've really enjoyed the time we've spent on the lake after dark. For the most part it's been very good each night with the exception of a night or two when we had to scurry for cover when a thunderstorm hit. After the things settled down after the storms, we experienced some of our best fishing of the week. We've concentrated our efforts on ledges at the mouth of the bays, along submerged roadbeds on the east banks and deeper chunk rock banks mid way in the larger bays. With the extreme water temps game fish metabolisms are running at full throttle and they are feeding for longer periods of time. The Prime feeding times are red hot and even the secondary feeding times are longer than usual. *Check out the Prime Feeding Times here in the report.*

Best methods have been slow rolling spinner baits and dragging plastics especially a ZMan Shakey head worm and the new red hot 2.75" ZMan Finnesse TRD (The Real Deal). The TRD has been one hot dude for us this week and accounted for our biggest fish. What I really like about this lure was that the hook up percentage was great and it didn't make a lot of noise entering the water, which is especially important when fishing at night when the fish can be spooky at times. We fished the TRD on ZMan's 1/6 oz Finnesse SHROOMZ Ned Rig Jigheads and

gently worked the lure on the bottom. There was no doubt about the pickup either when the fish slammed the bait. Here's some info on the TRD from the ZMan website ...



The Finesse TRD (The Real Deal) is designed specifically for finesse style of fishing, more commonly known as the Ned Rig, which has been gaining momentum nationwide as a subtle and easy-to-master, yet amazingly effective, presentation. While anglers have been modifying ElaZtech baits for years to create perfect baits for finesse fishing, the TRD possesses the ideal finesse profile in a ready-to-fish package. A softer ElaZtech formulation and custom salt content allow the TRD to exhibit the precise sink rate, lifelike action, and irresistible feel that expert finesse anglers have learned result in longer holds and increased

hook-up ratios. Lot's of colors to choose from.

Check with the local tackle shops in the lakes area. Especially Bass & Gas (270-527-1900). As of yesterday they still had a pretty good selection of TRD's in stock.

As good as it has been at night it can be that poor during the day. We have caught some fish but only sparingly and best results have been early during overcast mornings when we got into some topwater action in the back of the bays on tiny Spooks and SPRO McStick jerk baits and pitching boat docks with small jigs and SENKO type baits fished weightless. Other than that it's been the night shift for us ...

From The Kick'n Bass Pontoon ...

Stripes (White and Yellow Bass) 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 it flutter to the bottom. Some of our best catches have been on the fall.

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!

Come Fish With Us On the Kick'n Bass Pontoon



Cool Dudes Enjoy Some Hot Fishing ... Jeff Firkins, Steve Kierys and Ron Bay caught a mixed bag of crappie, stripes and catfish fishing Steel Shad Blade Baits from the pontoon.

You're not going to catch them sitting on the couch ... Let's go Fishing on the Pontoon!

Have a Blast on the Kick'n Bass Pontoon. Families and Groups Welcome and Corporate Trips are our Specialty. We appreciate folks with Special Needs. We furnish the rods & reels and lures, clean and package your catch. It's the BEST VALUE on the lake.

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Precision Sonar

Electronics Tip of the Week

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



Finding, Marking and Going Back to cast to the fish makes a lot of sense doesn't it? This screen allows you to pinpoint fish location and use the "Go To Track Back" Function to go back to the fish. Want to find out more? Our sonar class is a hands on, in your boat, using your electronics program developed to take your sonar ability to the next level. Schedule your personalized "On the Water" Sonar Class and contact rk@precisionsonar.com

Here's what some of our clients are saying about Precision Sonar's "On the Water" Sonar Class and their Precision Sonar Mounting Systems ...

Hey Randy just wanted to let you know how much I enjoyed your class. The guys at Bass & Gas got everything set up just right. I want to thank them for that. I used what you taught me with the sonar and how bass set up on drop offs. I went fishing after the class, I usually fish Blood River area and don't spend much time on north end. I thought I'd take my new knowledge to look around up there. The first drop I looked at showed some fish. I caught a 5lb largemouth and a 3 lb smallmouth along with several keepers and short fish. Thanks for your help, I've always struggled in the summer but your class sure helped me a lot.

Jimmy Williams Murray Ky.

Jimmy, I thought we had a great class and I enjoyed it too! You were a lot of fun to be with. Pretty nice when a couple of old dudes like us can have a good time! LOL!

You're right it makes a great deal of difference to have your electronics set up properly. That's why the first step in our sonar class is to make sure that the system is set to factory specs. Making the extra effort to do so always pays off.

RK

Randy, Had a helluva good time and learned a lot. Not intimidated by my electronics anymore. If you can teach an old goat like me to use this stuff you can teach anyone.

Burl Lasonnye – Baton Rouge (80 years old and still going strong)

When I said that I had worked with folks from the newlywed to the nearly dead I was talking about folks that sure act a lot older than you. Actually it was me that learned a lot that day ... showed me that eating right and staying active one will remain strong, alert and healthy and will be able to enjoy the outdoors for a long time.

Thanks for a great day!

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.

Check out the **PRECISION SONAR Console & Bow mounting systems for your boat at www.precisionsonar.com**

Cole Higginbottom's BFL All-American Ranger 520C with the Precision Sonar Dual Console Mounting System and U-Bracket Bow Mount & Bow Panel.



