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**August 7, 2015**

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**Lake Levels ...** Current lake level is approximately 1.75 feet 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](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 84 degrees on the main lake and 86 in the bays with water warming in the afternoon on sunny days.

### **Weather Outlook**

**Friday...**Partly sunny. Highs in the mid 80s. North winds 5 mph.

**Friday Night...**Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 60s. North winds 5 mph in the evening becoming calm after midnight.

**Saturday...**Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s. North winds 5 mph.

**Saturday Night...**Partly cloudy. Lows around 70.

**Sunday...**Partly sunny. Highs in the lower 90s.

**Sunday Night...**Partly cloudy with a 20 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 lower 90s.

**Monday Night...**Partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the evening. Lows in the lower 70s.

**Tuesday...**Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s.

**Tuesday Night...**Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 60s.

**Wednesday...**Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 80s.

## Prime Feeding Times for Gilbertsville, KY 42044

| 7  | 8   | 9   | 10   | 11  | 12  | 13   |
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| <b>Sun:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 6:02 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 1:20 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 8:36 PM<br><b>Moon:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 12:15 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 7:26 AM<br><b>Under Foot:</b><br>7:55 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 2:46 PM<br><b>Moon Phase:</b><br>Waning Crescent<br>43% Illuminated<br><b>Good Activity:</b><br>11:15 PM(p) -<br>1:15 AM<br>1:46 PM - 3:46 PM<br><b>Excellent Activity:</b><br>5:56 AM - 8:56 AM<br>6:25 PM - 9:25 PM<br><b>Day Rating:</b><br>★ ★ ☆ ☆ ☆ | <b>Sun:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 6:04 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 1:20 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 8:35 PM<br><b>Moon:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 12:55 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 8:20 AM<br><b>Under Foot:</b><br>8:48 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 3:50 PM<br><b>Moon Phase:</b><br>Waning Crescent<br>33% Illuminated<br><b>Good Activity:</b><br>11:55 PM(p) -<br>1:55 AM<br>2:50 PM - 4:50 PM<br><b>Excellent Activity:</b><br>6:50 AM - 9:50 AM<br>7:18 PM - 10:18 PM<br><b>Day Rating:</b><br>★ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | <b>Sun:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 6:05 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 1:19 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 8:33 PM<br><b>Moon:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 1:40 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 9:13 AM<br><b>Under Foot:</b><br>9:41 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 4:48 PM<br><b>Moon Phase:</b><br>Waning Crescent<br>23% Illuminated<br><b>Good Activity:</b><br>12:40 AM - 2:40 AM<br>3:48 PM - 5:48 PM<br><b>Excellent Activity:</b><br>7:43 AM - 10:43 AM<br>8:11 PM - 11:11 PM<br><b>Day Rating:</b><br>★ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | <b>Sun:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 6:06 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 1:19 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 8:32 PM<br><b>Moon:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 2:29 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 10:05 AM<br><b>Under Foot:</b><br>10:33 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 5:41 PM<br><b>Moon Phase:</b><br>Waning Crescent<br>15% Illuminated<br><b>Good Activity:</b><br>1:29 AM - 3:29 AM<br>4:41 PM - 6:41 PM<br><b>Excellent Activity:</b><br>8:35 AM - 11:35 AM<br>9:03 PM -<br>12:03 AM(n)<br><b>Day Rating:</b><br>★ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | <b>Sun:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 6:07 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 1:19 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 8:30 PM<br><b>Moon:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 3:23 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 10:57 AM<br><b>Under Foot:</b><br>11:24 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 6:27 PM<br><b>Moon Phase:</b><br>Waning Crescent<br>8% Illuminated<br><b>Good Activity:</b><br>2:23 AM - 4:23 AM<br>5:27 PM - 7:27 PM<br><b>Excellent Activity:</b><br>9:27 AM - 12:27 PM<br>9:54 PM -<br>12:54 AM(n)<br><b>Day Rating:</b><br>★ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | <b>Sun:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 6:09 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 1:19 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 8:28 PM<br><b>Moon:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 4:20 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 11:47 AM<br><b>Under Foot:</b><br>12:13 AM<br><b>Set:</b> 7:07 PM<br><b>Moon Phase:</b><br>Waning Crescent<br>4% Illuminated<br><b>Good Activity:</b><br>3:20 AM - 5:20 AM<br>6:07 PM - 8:07 PM<br><b>Excellent Activity:</b><br>10:43 PM(p) -<br>1:43 AM<br>10:17 AM - 1:17 PM<br><b>Day Rating:</b><br>★ ★ ☆ ☆ ☆ | <b>Sun:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 6:10 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 1:19 PM<br><b>Set:</b> 8:27 PM<br><b>Moon:</b><br><b>Rise:</b> 5:19 AM<br><b>Transit:</b> 12:35 PM<br><b>Under Foot:</b><br>1:00 AM<br><b>Set:</b> 7:43 PM<br><b>Moon Phase:</b><br>Waning Crescent<br>1% Illuminated<br><b>Good Activity:</b><br>4:19 AM - 6:19 AM<br>6:43 PM - 8:43 PM<br><b>Excellent Activity:</b><br>11:30 PM(p) -<br>2:30 AM<br>11:05 AM - 2:05 PM<br><b>Day Rating:</b><br>★ ★ ★ ★ ☆ |

## Fishing Report - From the Ranger Boat

As I reported last week we've been spending a significant amount of time fishing once the sun has gone down. This is quite a departure from what we did this time last year but the fact is by bass fishing at night, my clients and I are finding it to be very rewarding both in numbers and size. With school starting this week the recreational fishermen and boats are thinning and the lake not so crowded during the day but at night we basically have the lake all to ourselves.

### Some Do's and Don'ts for Night Fishing

Before you head out to go fishing at night, be sure that you are already familiar with the area of water that you'll be fishing. It's a good idea to go out during the day to look things over and to decide where you fish. Make note of the surrounding structure and cover and the layout of the area. This is where your electronic topo map can come in handy by waypointing these locations and adding notes to key areas. The last thing you would want is to go out unprepared. To save yourself time and hassle, get everything organized prior to heading out. Make sure your boat lights are in working order and take a flashlight or spotlight with and extra set of



batteries. Take only the tackle and equipment that you need and have your rods and reels ready to go.

### **"Where should I start looking for fish" ...**

In general I'd recommend fishing where you would generally find fish during the day. Bass don't move a great distance in most cases. If you've found good fishing during the day move to the first available deep water and look for a structure change like a rock pile, follow an underwater point or look for isolated cover like stumps. Some of our best fish have come off of stumps in 10-12 feet of water.

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 Finesse 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 Finesse 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.**



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**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.**

We have caught some fish during the day and we've 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!

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

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



Seeing is believing! ... check out the line and image of the Steel Shad Blade bait as it was worked thru the school of fish. We found this enormous school of white bass and yellows during one of our on the water sonar classes and returned to it early the next day to catch a nice limit of stripes. You can learn to find places like this too. 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](mailto: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, thanks for helping me and my son learn to use our electronics. Being a parent and having a son on our High School fishing team, my wife and I have made a significant investment in a new boat, rods & reels and of course electronics. Doing the class with my son was great and I now feel we can use what we have to our advantage and be competitive.*

*Don & Donnie Foster – Alabama*

***I wish more parents would be active and involved like you guys are. Fishing and the great outdoors is a good thing and healthy for us all!***

**RK**

***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 Thanks for a great class. I feel much better about my investment now that I have learned to use them. Learning to read my map really made me think about fishing in a whole different light. Thanks for a great day.*

*Mac McDonald – Bowling Green, KY*

***Mac, It was a great day for a lot of reasons!***

**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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