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with Guide Captain Rich Bay**

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Your fishing report for June 3, 2017



Helping my sister-in-law Denise to have fun on the water always puts a smile on my face.

From the deck of the Kick'n Bass pontoon

Fishing is good to great for just about all species of fish. My main emphasis the last ten days has switched to mainly whitebass. They have spawned and with the water temp nearing 80 degrees they are on fire most days. On the days they are slow we have switched up to pull crankbaits on the main ledges and deep bays. As Denise would say, "Go Fish!!"

Lake conditions

Since my last report the water level has stabilized to around summer pool at 359.25. Temps in low 60's at night and mid 80's during the day have made for a great morning bite. Still some good sized trees floating around but a lot less than there was at the high water. TVA is keeping the water at this level for the next few days at least.

You can view the lake levels here:

tva.gov/Environment/Lake-Levels/Kentucky

Weather forecast

<https://weather.com/weather/tenday/l/42025:4:US>

Crappies

Haven't fished for crappies as often since my last report because of bluegill and whitebass trips. When I have pulled crankbaits we have caught a mixed bag of crappies, whitebass, yellowbass, bluegills, largemouth, sauger and catfish!! Best colors have been a blue/chrome, pink and a black and gold chrome. Brighter colors in the sunlit days and darker colors on cloudy days has been my rule of thumb. Also have increased my trolling speed to 2.0 to 2.2 mph.



A member of the Louis group shows off a nice crappie



The Schumaker group and their mess of whites



Another nice mess

Whitebass

The whitebass run is on!! SteelShad bladebaits have been great using a yo-yo style of fishing. Check them out online at www.steelshad.com, or at your favorite bait and tackle shop. Let them sink to the bottom and steadily pull up about 6 feet. Pause there and then tightline the lure back to the bottom. Repeat back to the boat. On sunny days we use the silver colored baits and on cloudy days we have used the gold blades. Somedays we have been using 3/8 ounce inline spinners in white with a silver blade. Hit bottom then reel at a medium retrieve about 8 times around. Then open the bail and let the lure sink back to bottom. Repeat back to the boat. Jigging spoons have worked some also.



SteelShad blade baits have been big producers!



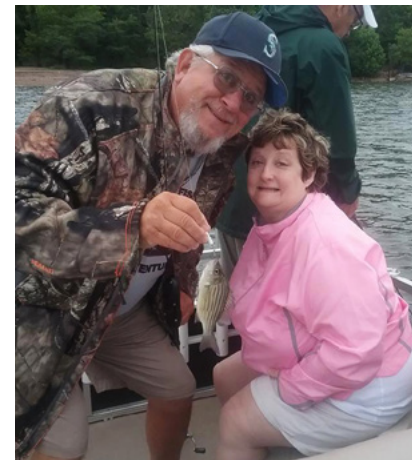
My granddaughter Piper caught one on a SteelShad and her Frozen pole!

Bluegills and Redears

The redear/bluegill spawn is finishing up! We have been fishing a Sheltons bug in deeper water. Using an ESB float deep has been fantastic. The ESB float comes with a slip bobber knot in the package. We have been tipping the bugs with crickets and waxworms. Another fishing type that has been working is to attach a split shot a foot above your bait to help get the bait to the bottom quicker. This keeps you in the strike zone.

Catfish

We have not fished for cats exclusively but we have caught a ton fishing for other species. We have caught cats from 3 feet to 30 feet. On crickets, waxworms, crankbaits and Steelshad bladebaits. Crawlers, leeches and Rippin' Lips stinkbaits have brought a lot of cats to the cleaning stations.



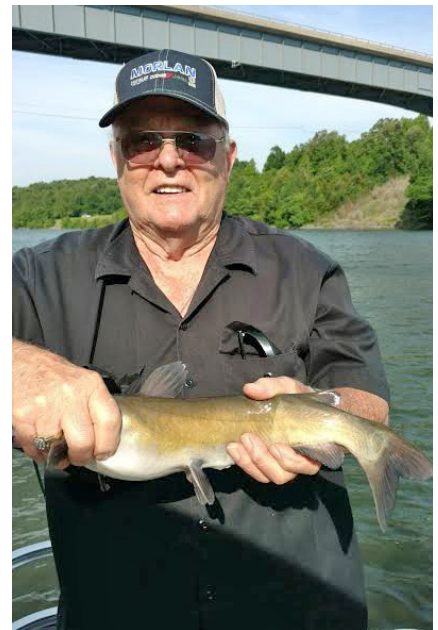
Jen Revelee enjoyed catching white bass

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Thanks Rich!! We had a great time. Matt J. Owensboro, Ky



The Jim Whitehead group caught a bucket of bluegills



Jerry Parker got a good-eatin' channel cat

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