

Big Run Lake Fishing Club Newsletter, Start 2025

Past and Prospective Members,

Welcome to the 2025 fishing year. Please enjoy the lake and the fishing this year. Forward any questions or problems you have to Haley at 606-748-2320 (email address: frazihay@gmail.com) or to Herb at 606-748-2837 (email address: herbloyd@aol.com).

CHANGE IN APPLICATION MAILING ADDRESS: Please note that the applications should now be sent to **1200 Farris Branch Road, Wallingford KY 41093.**

THANK YOU: We are quite grateful for the courtesies extended by members and for the care members show for the lake.

INFLATION: Inflation pushes expenses (mowing, road upkeep, gravel, porta pottie rent and grass carp stocking) ever upward. Accordingly, to cover our costs, we increased the annual rate by \$10.

SOCIAL MEDIA: If anyone wishes to share photos of their catch over social media, please do so.

GRASS CARP: As has been the annually recurring practice we will stock 60 grass carp again in late May. This keeps the population of grass carp up to control the grass varieties the grass carp eat. Grass carp do not reproduce. When flood water rises to reach the spillway the grass carp swim out of the lake downstream. Flood water entering the spillway usually only occurs once every 2-3 years. When it does occur it seriously depletes the grass carp population. This practice of annual stocking keeps replenishing the population to counter the losses. Grass carp do not eat the pond shield (small lily pad like) plants that appear around the edge in mid and late summer. There is no practical way to eliminate the pond shield. Where the sunlight reaches the lake bottom the pond shield will grow.

PORTA-POTTY: The porta potty will appear again at the upper edge of the spillway about mid-April and remain until the end of August.

NON-MEMBERS FISHING and TRESPASSING: If you find non-members using the lake, please ask them to join the club. Point out to those people that firstly they are crossing private land to get to the lake. Secondly, whereas the water is federal/state owned, the surrounding and submerged property is privately owned. So, entering without permission constitutes trespassing. Also please point out the member benefits listed on the sign at the spillway. We would prefer to turn unaware trespassing persons into members. Please ask suspicious people to show you their membership card. Members should carry their laminated cards and get to know each other. If the trespasser is resilient and keeps coming anyway, please get the dates of trespass and what identifying information you can. Notify Herb. He will initiate a trespass charge action.

Wishing you great fishing experiences,
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