Fishing Lake Points

Some of the best and easiest structure to fish for bass is lake points. Bass relate to points most of the year at one time or another. There are different types of points and all are not created equal. Here is some input on points and their definition.

- Main lake or what some call primary points are located on the main body of our lake. They are very visible as they stick out from shore into the lake.
- Secondary points are usually found in creeks or coves and are probably not as large or defined as main lake points. These points have proven to be good spring fishing spots as the bass are moving into their spawning area. They are also productive in the fall as shad move into creeks to spawn.

Some of these points are very flat and slowly taper into deeper water. Many of these have been very productive on Keowee early morning especially spring and fall. There are some that extend out from shore a great distance, maybe a 100 yards or so. These are main lake points. Bass will typically feed shallow or close to shore before sun up then start backing off the point. These types of points have been known to hold schools of bass. It is not unusual to catch 5 or 10 bass off of these structures.

Some points drop off very quickly into deep water, which is usually the creek or river channel. These points are typically not very long and may hold a bass or two.

Points serve as staging areas for the spring spawn migration. Bass will hold on both main and secondary points until the water temperature hits the spawning range. Spots heavily spawn in about 63 to 68 F water temperature, but not all do. They move into shallower water to spawn usually 10' or a little deeper. After they spawn they move back to the points before the water temperature drives them out to the deep main lake water.

Good shallow baits are lipless crankbaits, shallow running crankbaits (small lip), top water, super flukes and spinnerbaits. As the bass move deeper crankbaits (larger lip) and worm rigs work well.

Not all points are created equal – you need to go out and experiment to learn the best ones in your area.