

LUNKER HUNTER SPOONPLUGGERS MEETING SEPTEMBER 5, 2013

“READING MAPS AND DEFINING STRUCTURE”

The program subject was on **reading and interpreting lake contour maps**. Chase read from Buck Perrys’ **“Green Book” (pgs 206-211)** about reading maps and defining **structure that could be productive**. These maps contain much information that will **help us narrow down our fishing before we get on the water**. How do we **differentiate between “trolling water” and “fishing water”** where we **concentrate our efforts**? Bucks’ **“Structure Situations” booklet** was shown around and recommended as **something to have in the boat** for accurate identification of structure type. **It lists the 17 types of structures available to the fish**, both **manmade and natural**. The **3 main ingredients** we need to be aware of are **deep holes or channels, structures, and breaklines**. **With this information we can evaluate each structure as to its potential for producing fish**. A video was shown of Frank Hamill evaluating maps of the Tennessee River reservoirs. Reservoirs **have many more types of structures available to the fish**, which makes them **more difficult to interpret**. We then **projected a map of Hardy Pond on the wall** and Roger brought enlarged copies of **specific structures that we discussed**. **Map reading and interpretation is a valuable skill to have for being more efficient in our fishing**.

Chase Klinesteker