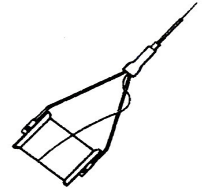


On The Fly

March 2013

"Fly tying is a school from which we never graduate"



Tying News

Tying News The Southern Oregon Fly Tyers invite you to attend their meetings the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is March 12, 2013. The meetings start at 6:00 PM, at the Madrone Hill Mobile Home Park community building near Gold Hill. Bring a friend, come early so you don't miss anything, and stay late. Tyers need not be experienced, and those with all levels of skill are welcome. Each meeting a member is encouraged to demonstrate a new or different skill, from simple to difficult. For more information, call Dan Kellogg at 773-4724.

DIRECTIONS: Take Gold Hill Exit #40, off of I-5 and go west, toward Jacksonville, 1.3 miles, until you reach the brick entrance way to the Madrone Hill Mobile Home Park on the right. You'll pass a golf course parking lot on your left shortly after leaving the freeway. After you turn right into the mobile home park, proceed to the community building which is located about 100 yards ahead on the left. The address is 8401 Old Stage Rd. Please park your vehicle on the bare dirt in the parking lot to avoid the wooden septic covers in the grass.

PATTERN OF THE MONTH –

Adams

Hook – Daiichi 1310 or your favorite dry fly hook size 10-24 (pinch barb down)

Thread – white & black

Wings – Grizzly hen wing tips

Tail – Mixed brown & grizzly spaded hackle barbs

Body – Original – 50/50 mix of gray fox & muskrat belly fur, a mid gray muskrat, beaver or synthetic will work

Hackle – mix of brown & grizzly hackle



NOTE: Most Catskill style have 3 in back & 2 in front.

This month will not be a particular pattern, but a style, a discipline or for many (myself included), a lifelong passion. Names like Cross, Darbee, Dette, Bergman, Flick, to name a very few, are tyers that I grew up studying their styles. My Grandfather was very adamant that I know every detail of their techniques. All have the same characteristics – upright wings, fine tapered bodies (of either quills, fur or floss) and full hackle. Most all of you have heard of or have used the Royal Coachman, Light Cahill and the Adams. These flies are all tied Catskill style. I will tell the proper way to tie the Adams but if you want to see and learn how to tie more come to the March Club meeting. I would also encourage you to come to the Northwest Fly Tyer & Fly Fishing Expo in Albany, March 8 & 9. At Albany you will have the opportunity to see and learn from over 300 tyers in action, tying every fly imaginable to man and then some.

Keep your thread tight!

David