

2026 FFFF Monthly Chapter Meeting Fly Tying List

April Meeting:

Ray's Fly, a simple **Stripe Bass** fly designed by **Ray Bondorew**. It is an impressionistic representation of the small slender **Silverside** fish. Pattern easily modified for local forage fish.

Materials:

Hook: Straight eye, Standard Length, 1x Strong. Match hook size to length of bait fish (TMC811S)

Thread: Pale yellow or Olive 3/0 monocord (flat nylon) thread

Body: Bill's Bodi-Braid Silver (Flat Diamond Braid)

Wing: White Bucktail Crinkly texture

Medium light Yellow Crinkly Bucktail

Olive Crinkly Bucktail

Pearl Flashabou

4-5 strands Peacock Herl

May Meeting

Black Ant, a summer trout/bream terrestrial fly.

Materials List:

Hook: 1x fine dry-fly hook wide gape (TMC100), sizes 16-20

Thread: Black, 3/0, 6/0 or 140-denier

Body segments: Black Thread, Black Dubbing, Black Foam

Hackle: Dark dun or black hackle, trimmed top and bottom

Head: Black Thread

Cement: Sally Hansen Hard as Nails

June Meeting

Small Mouth Bass Bob Closuer's Clouser Minnow Bass fly. Bob Closuer designed this fly to fish the Susquehanna near where he lived. It has been effective with many

different predator species. It is reported that Lefty Kreh landed over 63 species with this fly.

Material List:

Hook: Standard Wire, Standard Length, Straight Ring Eye size 4, 6, 8

Freshwater: Mustad 3366; **Saltwater:** Mustad 34007 or Gamakatsu B10s (Alternate)

Thread: White Flat Wax 6/0, 3/0

Lead Eyes: appropriate for hook size. Larger eyes get deep quickly and have a pronounced jigging action.

Belly: White Bucktail (Yellow alternate)

Crystal Flash: Gold, or Silver, or Rainbow 2-4 strands

Back: Chartreuse Bucktail

Head: UV-cure, epoxy, head cement

July Meeting

Trout Al Troth's Pheasant Tail Nymph – The Pheasant Tail (PT) Nymph was created by English River Keeper Frank Sawyer in the 1950s to imitate a variety of mayfly species. Sawyer's version uses only two materials, Pheasant Tail fibers for the tail, abdomen, and wing case; and fine copper wire for the ribbing, thorax, and head. Montana outfitter and fly tier Al Troth Americanized Sawyer's PT design by adding peacock-herl thorax and adapted pheasant tail fibers for legs. The Pheasant Tail Nymph imitates a broad spectrum of aquatic insects, from mayflies, to stoneflies (in larger size) as well as damselfly nymphs.

Material List:

Hook: 2X-long nymph hook (Daiichi 730), sizes 12-20.

Thread: Brown, 6/0 or 70 denier.

Rib: Copper Ultra Wire, small.

Tail and abdomen: Dark brown pheasant tail fibers.

Legs and wingcase: Dark brown pheasant tail fibers.

Thorax: Peacock herl.

Head: Brown thread.

Adhesives: Head cement.

August Meeting

Trout - Sylvester Nemes' Partridge and Yellow with Fur Thorax soft hackle. In a size 14 this fly could easily imitate a Pale Morning Dun or a Sulphur mayfly emerger. Replace the partridge with a dark hen or dyed partridge and you have a great caddis emerger. Partridge and [insert color] flies date back to 1496 when Dame Juliana Berners described an Orange and Partridge fly.

Material List:

Hook: 1x Long Wet fly hook – 14-18

Thread: Veevus Light Cahill 8/0 thread

Body: Light Cahill thread

Body: Yellow Danville 4 Strand Rayon floss

Ribbing: Gold wire size Brassie, optional

Thorax: Dubbed Light Brown Hare's Ear or gray squirrel blend

Hackle: Hungarian Partridge

Head: Light Cahill thread

Adhesives: Head cement.

September Meeting

Large Mouth Bass Matt's Monster Bugger by Matt Grobert. This big heavy streamer has movement of its own and dives for the bottom. Big streamers such as this one are often used in early season fast, off color, cold water. Darker colors work better in off color water.

Material List:

Hook: 3X-long nymph hook (Daiichi 1720), sizes 2-6.

Head: Gold cone, size to match hook.

Weight: 18-20 wraps of .020" lead wire.

Thread: Black, 6/0 or 140 Denier.

Tail: Black marabou.

Body: Black Estaz.

Legs: Any rubber leg material (two pairs) (flashy)

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October Meeting

Trout Original Walt's Worm. This fly originated in central PA for use on limestone streams and resembles a lot of staple food sources for trout. It was created by Walt

Young. This fly is tied as a jig, with minor adjustments. There is a variant called **Sexy Walt's worm.**

Material List Original Walt's Worm:

Hook: 1x strong, 2x long, Nymph down eye hook (Tiemco #5262, Mustad 3906B, or Dai-ichi #1710), #8-18

Thread: Tan 6/0 or 3/0

Weight: .020" lead wire for #8-10, .015" lead wire for #12-16, .010" lead wire for #18

Body: Hare-line #4 or Hare's Ear Plus #1

Head: Tan thread

Adhesives: Head cement.

November Meeting

Trout Troth's Caddis – created in 1957 by Al Troth. The Troth's caddis is an imitative pattern as well as a standard caddis pattern for fishing riffles and runs of freestone streams. It is fished to mimic a fluttering adult caddis. It can be fished dead-drifted, skittering on the surface, stripped in the surface film, or even as a diving caddis.

Material List:

Hook: Dry fly, down eye, size to match the natural.

Thread: 8/0, color to match the natural.

Body: Dry fly dubbing mixed with some sparkly Antron; color to match the natural.

Hackle: Dry fly hackle, light or dark to match the natural. Trim a "notch" in the hackle along the top to allow the wing to nestle among the hackle barbs.

Ribbing: Fine gold wire.

Wings: Elk hair, light or dark to match the natural; trim the butt ends parallel to the angle of the hook eye.

Adhesives: Head cement.