



Flies and Lies



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An Affiliate Club of Fly Fishers International*

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Rick Nyles Penns Creek-Hatch Factory

The Delaware Valley Fly Fishers an affiliate club of Fly Fishers International and is a non-profit 501 (c) (7), conservation and educational organization that has been promoting the sport of Fly Fishing and Fly Tying since 1984.

We meet the 4th Wednesday of the Month at the VFW Hall, 1444 Yardley Newtown Rd, Yardley, PA 19067, 7:30 PM

DVFF Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/DVFlyFisher/>

Leaders Wanted

September 2020 is when we vote for Officers and Board Members. Sure September is 8 months away but not far enough for everyone to start thinking how can they get involved with DVFF.

Many of the Officers and Board Members have been doing their jobs for over 10 years. Some would like to step down and let others help out with the direction of DVFF.

If you are interested in being an officer or board members please see the Sheldon Slusser the Recording Secretary or Dave Wermuth the Vice President for more information.

Remember this is your club, have a say in what direction and planning for the future

If we share the responsibilities among the membership, the running of DVFF is easier.

Fly Rod Raffle



Orvis Plymouth Meeting donated a Clearwater 9' 5wt. rod and reel outfit. The plan is to raffle it off as a fundraiser. Chances will be \$5.00 each. The drawing is at the March meeting.

Fly Fishing/Tying Instructors

Have you every thought about being a Fly Tying Instructor or Fly Tying Demonstrator? Or how about helping your fellow member on how to Fly Fish. DVFF is looking to recruit new instructors to teach others that are looking for help. Remember when you first started, and someone took you under their wing. Time to Pay it Forward.

If you would like to be part of the DVFF Instructors, contact Jerry Coviello at a meeting or email jerry_coviello@verizon.net

I have been a fly tying instructor for over 30 years now. I find it very rewarding and I know that the Art of Fly Tying is being passed on to others. I have been fortunate with my fly tying to write for two magazines and demo at major fly fishing shows. Being a demo tier is not about how me as a tier but how I can teach others at a show. You can have that satisfaction also



March Meeting Rick Nyles—Penns Creek-Hatch Factory

Rick will cover the creek's different areas and regulations, all the major hatches, flies and fishing techniques to catch more fish. Rick is the owner of Sky Blue Outfitters and has been guiding for over 20 years all around Pennsylvania and New York. He is also an award-winning fly tier and contributed to Trout Unlimited's blog, magazines and several books about fishing in PA.



Flybrary Project



The club Flybrary Project has been well received and many have already participated. Many thanks for your help in making this a success. Don't be shy, please participate by adding one of your favorites. Feel free to take one if you see something you like. Remember the slogan..." Need one? Take one/Have one? Leave one

Don't forget to check out our information area each month for helpful literature, sign up sheets for upcoming classes and workshops, or just to grab a fly from our Flybrary. You can also add a fly if you have the notion.



Fly Tying Demo before Monthly Meeting



Starting 7:00PM

We need volunteers to do tying demos at the beginning of each meeting. If interested, please let Sheldon or Jerry know which meeting and what fly you will tie so a schedule may be assembled.



Gerry Higgins tied the Olive Blossom Special at our February Meeting.

Olive Blossom Special

Hook: Mustad 9671 #8

Thread: Black 6/0

Cone: Brass Nickle Silver

Weight: ,25 lead wire

Body: Olive medium Pearl or Ice chenille

Wing: Barred olive feather

Collar: Brown Hen hackle

Our March meeting will feature **Bill Ashcroft** as our demo tier. He will be tying the Dark Hendrickson Klinkhammer.

Spend a Day with Sean Crocker



Sean Crocker has donated his time for a Delaware Valley Fly Fishers for a once in a lifetime opportunity.

DVFF will have an auction where Sean will take you on the water and teach you the techniques used in the international world

fly fishing competition. Sean will focus on a strategic approach to the water, rod choice, Leader make up , flies and various fishing techniques for given situations.

This is a great way to learn from a member of our National Fly Fishing Team who loves to compete and share his knowledge of the sport.

This is a perfect opportunity for one person to learn on the stream from Sean Crocker, member of Fly Fishing Team USA and the captain of Team Freestone

For more information on how to participate in this special AUCTION contact Dave Wermuth at our January Meeting .



This purpose of this class is to provide a student with an understanding of fly fishing skills, to begin their lifelong learning of fly fishing. Class will talk about equipment, knots, flies and fish behavior.

Class is for those wanting to know how to start and what is needed before going streamside.

Workshop is Thursday April 23, before the Club Fly Fishing Day on Lizard Creek. There you could be matched with a mentor to help you streamside on reading the water and casting.

Date: Thursday April 23 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Cost is \$10.00 to cover the VFW Room Rental

CLASS LOCATION:

VFW

**1444 YARDLEY NEWTOWN RD
YARDLEY, PENNSYLVANIA 19067**

CLASS INSTRUCTOR

JERRY COVIELLO

FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL FLY TYING GROUP CHAIRMAN

Registration Form

NAME: _____

EMAIL Address _____

Phone Number: () —

Check payable to **Delaware Valley Fly Fishers**

Pay at the meeting or mail to
Delaware Valley Fly Fishers
C/O Jerry Coviello
207 Hibiscus Drive
Chalfont, PA. 18914



Delaware Valley Fly Fishers



Annual Picnic & Fly Fish Day

Join us on the Lizard Creek for our anual picnic and on stream fly fishing clinic. The event takes place on April 25, 2020 from 10am to 3pm (time is subject to change). This is a rain or shine event so keep an eye on the weather forecast and dress appropriately.

We'll need an official head count by April 20th, so we can prepare food-wise. Lunch is provided free to members. The cost to non members is \$50.00 (this includes lunch and your membership in the club for the remainder of the membership year till September).

If you have been considering joining the club this is a great opporrtunity since the initial year's dues is normally \$45.00 alone.

Disclaimer about the location: It can be a bit tricky with directions. Your best bet would be to get directions to the East Penn Social Hall in Ashfield, PA, and our picnic will be held near the baseball field and pavillion across the street from the Fire Dept.

****PA FISHING LICENSE W/TROUT STAMP IS MANDATORY****





DINE TO DONATE! FUNDRAISING NIGHT



10%

DONATION NIGHT

Support Del Val Fly Fishers by presenting this flyer to the Bensalem, PA location and Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of your total food purchases to Del Val Fly Fishers!

To Go orders and Gift Card purchases apply!

Come in and win some prizes!

Support

**Delaware Valley
Fly Fishers**

**Monday, April 20th
3:00 PM – 10:00 PM**

(215) 639-7427

**1545 Street Rd.
Bensalem, PA**



Second Annual Fly Fishers International Fly Tying Challenge



2020
Second Annual
Fly Fishers International
Fly Tying Challenge

For Contest Rules and Fly Pattern list go to:

<https://www.flyfishersinternational.org/Tying/Fly-Tying-Challenge>

The Fly Tying Group is proud to announce the Second Fly Fishers International (FFI) Fly Tying Challenge. Open to everyone regardless of skill level.

There are 5 categories for each group. Overall, Dry Fly, Wet Fly, Nymph/Crustacean Fly and Streamer. Entry **Deadline June 12 2020**. Winner need not to be present. Judging will take place at the FFI Fly Fishing Expo on July 2020 at Montana State University in Bozeman MT. The winners will be announced at the

Expo Hall. All flies will become the property of FFI's Fly Tying Group

(Members of the Fly Tying Group Board of Governors are not eligible to enter the contest.)

Categories:

- Overall Category **must tie all 4 flies in the REQUIRED PATTERN LIST and a TIE BREAKER FLY of your CHOICE** and cannot enter individual categories
- Dry Fly
- Wet Fly
- Nymph/Crustacean Fly
- Streamer Fly

Person entering individual category(s) can enter as many categories as they want, but will not be eligible for Overall Category. One time entry fee for all categories.

Entry Fee (One-time entry fee for all categories):

Non-FFI Member	\$35.00
FFI Member	\$20.00
FFI Fly Tying Group Member	\$10.00

Group 1 Prizes (open to all ages):

Overall –

- 1st Place Medal and Certificate. Plus, the winner and one guest will cast to trophy trout on a private section of the Soque River in Georgia's beautiful Chattahoochee National Forest. The package with High Adventure Company includes three nights lodging, two days guided fishing, plus all meals from our wonderful sponsor, Fly Tyer Magazine
- 2nd Place Certificate
- 3rd Place Certificate

For Individual Categories (Dry, Wet, Nymph/Crustacean, Streamer)

Each Category Winner will receive

- 1st Place Medal and Certificate
- 2nd Place Certificate
- 3rd Place Certificate



FFI

FLY FISHING EXPO 2020

JULY 22-25, 2020
 MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY
 BOZEMAN, MONTANA

GUEST SPEAKERS • LEARNING CENTER
 EXHIBITORS • AUCTIONS & RAFFLES
 FLY TYING & CASTING DEMONSTRATIONS
 1-HOUR SEMINARS & MUCH MORE!

JOIN US TUESDAY
 LOCAL FLY FISHING DAY —
 DEPUY SPRING CREEK SLOTS AVAILABLE

WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY
 WORKSHOPS & LEADERSHIP TRAINING

FRIDAY 9AM-6PM // SATURDAY 9AM-4PM
 EXPO ACTIVITIES

FREE ADMISSION

 **FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL**

FLYFISHERSINTERNATIONAL.ORG / 406.222.9369

By Jerry Coviello

This is a great opportunity to come out to Bozeman Montana, learn how to cast, tie flies and fish the legendary streams of Montana and Yellowstone National Park.

You are within driving distance of the Gallatin River and Yellowstone River. Or make a trip to the Madison River.

I will be leaving Philly on Sunday July 19th and booking a guide to fish in on Tuesday

Then stay at the Montana State University Dorm Room and teach and do fly tying demos through out the week. Workshops to learn how to run a club and how the FFI will help clubs and councils at the Leadership Training Workshop

Returning back to Philly July 26th

Local Fly Shops

Mainstream Outfitters

1121 N. Easton Rd.
 Doylestown, PA 18902
 215-766-1244
<http://mainstreamoutfitters.com>

Tulpehocken Creek Outfitters

525 West Lancaster Avenue
 Haverford, PA 19041
 Phone: 610-527-3388
www.tcoflyfishing.com

Joe Armenti

Master Fly Tyer
www.profliesunlimited.com
 609-448-0062.

Border Water Outfitter

Jim "Coz" Costolnick
 607.760.2270

Fretz's Furled Leaders

www.fretzfurledleaders.com
WFRETZ@fretzfurledleaders.com

Plymouth Meeting Orvis Retail Store

500 W Germantown Pike, Space 1515
 Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462



FLY FISHERS INTERNATIONAL

<https://flyfishersinternational.org/Membership/Membership-Overview>

Since 1964, Fly Fishers International has been an organized voice for fly fishers. We represent all aspects of fly fishing – from the art of fly tying and casting instruction, to the protection of and access to fisheries around the world. A 501c3 non-profit organization formally known as The International Federation of Fly Fishers, FFI is driven by three fundamental pillars: Conservation, Education, and Community. Together, these pillars provide the foundation for our vision of the future of fly fishing — a future in which anglers have access to prime waters and fish can thrive in healthy, protected habitats; in which learning never stops and artistry is not forgotten; and that recognizes the true value of camaraderie. If we want this legacy to be experienced by future generations, we have to work to make that happen.

WHO WE ARE

- An international non-profit organization
- Fly fishers, fly casters, and fly tiers
- Conservationists of all fish in all waters
- Educators of all things fly fishing
- Supporters of the fly fishing community

WHAT WE DO

- Help to protect and enhance fish and fisheries worldwide
- Provide top-quality fly casting and tying instruction
- Cultivate and strengthen the fly fishing community
- Curate and preserve fly fishing artifacts, art, and literature
- Pass on the legacy of fly fishing

WHAT MEMBERS GET

- Access to an unmatched repository of knowledge (Learning Center)
- Special offers and discounts
- Recognition for special skills or achievements
- Access to a network of like-minded outdoor enthusiasts
- A chance to help make a positive impact on the sport

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1-Year General..... \$35 | <input type="checkbox"/> Student (22 & under)* \$20 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Year General..... \$90 | <input type="checkbox"/> Business*..... \$100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior (65+)*..... \$25 | <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime \$1,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran*..... \$25 | <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Premium** \$1,500 |

Note: General memberships include spouses, cohabitating partners and children under 18 years of age. Lifetime memberships include spouses and cohabitating partners.

*Membership eligible for up to 3-year purchase (multiply price by number of years).

**Lifetime Premium member will receive a custom-built rod from TFO Rods.

PRINTED FLYFISHER MAGAZINE:

- ☐ \$10/yr U.S. residents ☐ \$20/yr International residents

Lifetime and Business members will receive a free printed copy of *Flyfisher*. All members have free access to *Flyfisher* on our website.



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CONSERVATION / EDUCATION / COMMUNITY

CUT FORM ON LINE

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Country _____

Email _____

Club Affiliation **Delaware Valley Fly Fishers PA** _____

Referred by _____

☐ Check Enclosed (Payable to Fly Fishers International - U.S. funds)

☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐ Discover ☐ Amex

Card# _____

Exp. Date MM/YY _____ / _____

☐ Please do not share my information with organizations outside of FFI.



Delaware Valley Fly Fishers, Inc. Membership Application

Delaware Valley Fly Fishers, Inc. is a non-profit conservation and educational organization promoting the sport of fly fishing and fly tying. We meet at 7:30pm, the 4th Wednesday of each month, except December, at the Yardley VFW Post #6393, located at 1444 Yardley Newtown Rd (RT 332), Yardley, PA 19067. The programs of the organization are structured to be personal and informative for maximum interest and lasting value. Activities include monthly guest speakers and refreshments, monthly raffles, a full video library available for rent at each meeting, fly fishing and fly tying classes, a December holiday party, coordinated fishing trips, and much more. We cordially invite you to join our organization knowing that you will fully enjoy participating in our activities. Annual club dues are \$35.00 payable by check to "DVFF". A \$10 initiation fee is charged to new members making the total initial sign-up cost \$45.00. Junior membership (under 18 years old) is only \$5.00. Membership renewals received after December 1st. will be subject to a \$10.00 late charge. Please complete this form and give it to Steve Wermuth, Membership Director. The form and dues can be submitted to Steve at a club meeting or mailed to:

Steve Wermuth
1041 Richardson Ave.
Bensalem, PA 19020

If you have any questions, please call Steve Wermuth, at 267-423-6435.

Date: _____

Circle One: New Member Membership Renewal

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____

Mobile Phone: (_____) _____

Check if you DO NOT want
your home phone number listed
on our membership list: ☐

E-Mail Address: _____

Are you a current member of Fly Fishers International? Yes No

Signature _____ Date _____

For DVFF Use Only

Date Received _____ Membership Card Issued _____

Tuesday Night March 24th

BYOV

(Bring Your Own Vise)

\$1.00 off Pints if you Show Your Vise



**Suds and Bugs
at the
Crooked Eye Brewery
13 E Montgomery Ave,
Hatboro, Pennsylvania 19040
7:00 PM to 10PM**

The fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM is Suds and Bugs at the Crooked Eye Brewery. Were all us Crooked Eye Fly Tiers meet to have a beer tie flies and tell fly fishing stories.

Tie your own flies or come learn one of our monthly flies. This month is the Blow Torch Nymph. This is a great attractor pattern by Devin Olsen created for the Euro nymph/competition genre **Just bring your own vise and materials and join in the fun.**



Materials

Hook: Daiichi 4647 Jig Hook Sizes 8 through 16
Thread: Fire Orange 6/0 or 8/0
Bead: Copper Slotted Bead to match the hook
Weight: .015 Lead Free Wire (6 to 8 turns) behind the bead
Tail: Fire Orange Antron Yarn not to extend past the bend of the hook
Rib: Holographic Small Green Tinsel
Body: Peacock Ice Dubbing, you can use peacock
Collar: Fire Orange thread coated with either UV Resin or Head Cement
Hackle: Hen well marked fibers

March Fly of the Month

Blow Torch Nymph

Fly tied and photos by Jerry Coviello



Here is a pattern that Devin Olsen created for the Euro nymph/competition genre. Simple, pattern, hook rides upside down with the jig hook and slotted bead head. Also the slotted bead weight is above the hook shank to help the hook ride upside down with the hook point up.

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Thread: Fire Orange 6/0 or 8/0

Bead: Copper Slotted Bead to match the hook

Weight: .015 Lead Free Wire (6 to 8 turns) behind the bead

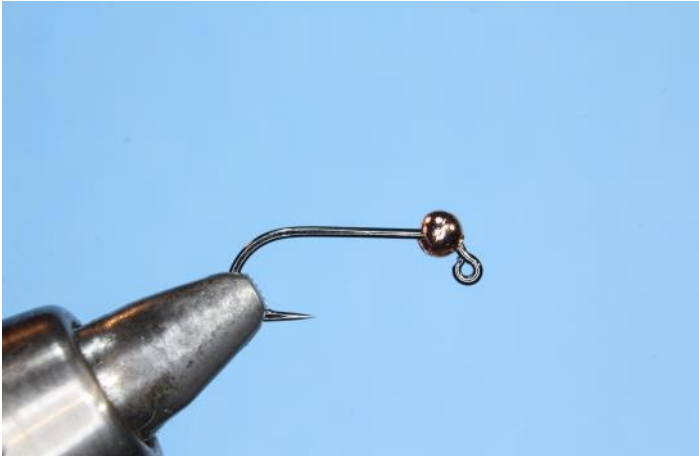
Tail: Fire Orange Antron Yarn not to extend past the bend of the hook

Rib: Holographic Small Green Tinsel

Body: Peacock Ice Dubbing, you can use peacock

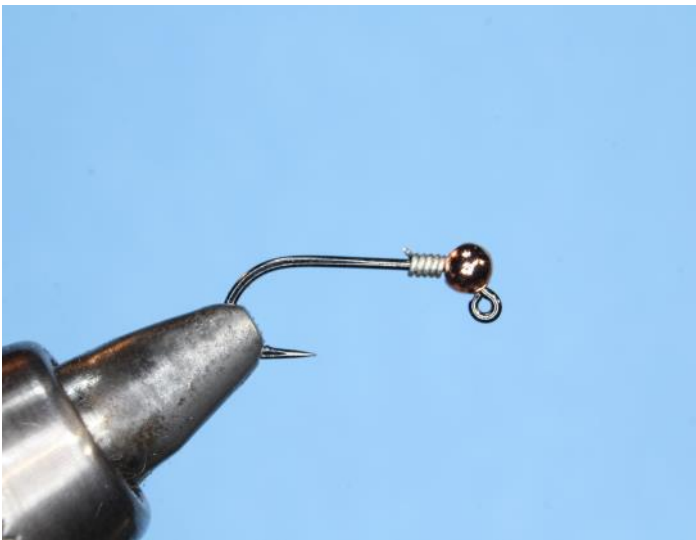
Collar: Fire Orange thread coated with either UV Resin or Head Cement

Hackle: Hen well marked fibers



Step 1

Place your bead on the hook and place it in the vise.



Step 2

Take .015 Lead Free Wire. Wrap 5 to 8 turns around the shank of the hook. Slide the wraps tight against the Bead.



Step 3

Attach your thread behind the bead. Wrap to the bend of the hook.



Step 4

Tie in a strand of Orange Antron yarn for the tail



Step 5

Trim the Antron yarn. The tail should be in line with the bend of the hook. Also trim the yarn behind the bead.

Tie in the Green Holographic Tinsel at the bend of the hook



Step 6

You can either use real peacock herl as a rope for the body or use Peacock Ice Dubbing.

Dub a tapered body



Step 7

Dub a tapered body right behind the bead



Step 8

Rib the body in the opposite direction of the dubbing. Even spaces and secure behind the bead



Step 9

Take a well marked hen neck feather. Tie the fibers behind the bead and have the hackle fiber tips point back towards the bend. Tips should not exceed past the point of the hook.

Tie them on both sides of the hook

Step 10

Build a hot spot collar behind the bead



Step 11

. Whip Finish

Either coat the hot spot collar with head cement or UV Resin.



For a video on how to tie the Blow Torch, go to DevIn Olsen's website

<https://www.tacticalflyfisher.com/blog/blowtorch-tag-nymph-fly-tying-tutorial/>

Materials can be purchase on his website also.

Tim Flagler has a video on Tightlines Production on how to tie the Blow Torch too

https://youtu.be/Rq_SQO-7eEw



Flies and Lies



Articles for the Flies and Lies newsletter must be submitted by the first week of the month to be published in the following publication.

If you have a favorite fly or fishing story please email them to jerry_coviello@verizon.net Please use a Word or Text Document.

Make sure you are the author of any material you are submitting or have written permission to use the material.

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DOYLESTOWN BOROUGH 2020 FISHING DERBY EVENTS

**Borough Dam in the Fanny Chapman Park at Boro Mill Hill Rd. and E. State St.
(10 McKinstry Drive) Doylestown, PA 18901**

Clean-Up Day: Saturday, March 21, 2020, 8 a.m.-10 a.m.

(Rain Date: Sunday, March 22, 2020, 8 a.m.-10 a.m.)

Volunteers Are Needed!! Please bring your rakes, etc. and help out.

Fish Being Delivered: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 - 11 a.m.

Bring your children to help put in the fish

Around lunchtime, some pizzas will be donated and served by Weis Markets, Nat's, Domino's Pizza all of Doylestown and Dominick's Pizza of Plumsteadville for everyone in attendance.

Youth Fishing Derby - Opening Day: Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 8 a.m.

Free for Children Ages 16 and Under

Free Burgers and Hot Dogs

Free Soda and other sports drinks

Water Ice Courtesy of Annie's Water Ice

Second Stocking of Fish: Wednesday, May 13, 2020 - 11 a.m.

Seniors, Handicapped Persons, and Disabled Veterans 2 Fishing Derbies:

Saturday, May 16, 2020 and Sunday May 17, 2020 - 8 a.m.

If you don't have rods or bait, they will be provided.

Around lunchtime, sandwiches will be served.

**SPONSORED BY THE FRIENDS OF THE BOROUGH DAM,
DOYLESTOWN ROTARY, DAVE'S SPORTING GOODS,
and DOYLESTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

We need your support to keep the fishing program going.

Please consider a "tax deductible" donation for:

Friends of the Borough Dam

Doylestown Borough Hall, 57 W. Court St., Doylestown, PA 18901

Old /Used "Fishable Fishing Rods and Reels" are also needed for use during the derbies.

Items may be dropped off at Dave's Sporting Goods, 1127 N. Easton Rd., Doylestown, PA., or at Mt. Lake Pool & Patio, in the Doylestown Shopping Center, 396 N. Main St. Doylestown, PA.

The items will be retrofitted for use by children at the first day of fishing at the Dam who need one. These donations are greatly appreciated.

**ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL GENE HOUCK, 267.374.5185
BOROUGH DAM FISHING PROGRAM / ROTARY CLUB OF DOYLESTOWN**

**Volunteers Are Needed for ALL events "especially fishermen" for the 2 (two)
Seniors, Handicapped Persons, and Disabled Veterans Fishing Days.**

Reaching out to my Southeast PA friends but also on a bigger scale possibly I'm looking for two or three fishermen to help assist me in teaching a Fly Fishing seminar for a field trip on May 14 here in Eastern PA at French creek state park. I'm also looking for a few rod and reel combos and few cheap starter vices that we can teach the kids on! Thank you for any help or advice

Contact [Jeff Ellie](#) for more information.