



# Flies and Lies



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An Affiliate Club of Fly Fishers International*

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Tim Flagler

at Delaware Valley Fly Fishers

February 26, 2020

**NOTE MEETING LOCATION CHANGE**

**7:00 PM**

**Yardley Community Center**

**64 South Main Street**

**Yardley, PA. 19067**

**Night Fishing for Monster Trout**

## Tim Flagler on Fishing for Monster Trout

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/DVFFlyFisher/>

## Leaders Wanted

September 2020 is when we vote for Officers and Board Members. Sure September is 9 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.

## Flybrary Project



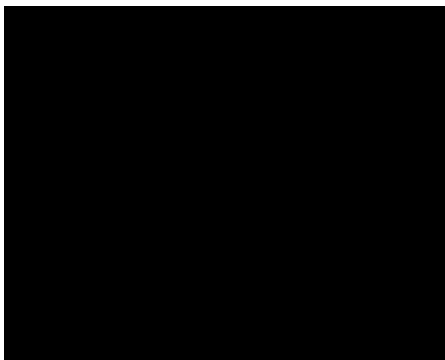
The club Flybrary Project has been well received and many have already participated. Many thanks for your help in making this a success. Don't be shy, please participate by adding one of your favorites. Feel free to take one if you see something you like. Remember the slogan..." Need one? Take one/Have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

## 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](mailto: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



25 Inch Trout caught at Midnight

Tim's presentation will be on fishing after dark. At certain times of the year, fishing after the sun goes down can be spectacular and the chances of hooking into a monster are better than any other part of the day. Fishing in the dark does take some getting used to but with a few tricks, some basic equipment and minor modifications to technique, it can be an absolute blast. The presentation will include a wealth of video shot recently and over the last couple of years and yes, it includes plenty of big fish.





### March Meeting Rick Nyles

Penns Creek-Hatch Factory

Rick will cover the creeks 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.

### April Meeting Tom Gilmore



After almost three decades of service, Tom Gilmore retired in the spring of 2012, as President and CEO of the New Jersey Audubon Society, the oldest and largest conservation organization in the state of New Jersey. During that time, he led the conservation community through numerous extraordinary environmental achievements. It's no surprise that Tom has received numerous awards and honors, including the Conservation Medal from the Daughters of the American Revolution, New Jersey Environmental Lobby's first Environmental Legacy Award, Earth Share's New Jersey's Environmental Stewardship Award, and Trout Unlimited's Crystal Trout Award for Coldwater Conservation and the NY/NJ Baykeeper's Award for Outstanding Public Service..

### 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](http://www.tcoflyfishing.com)

#### Joe Armenti

Master Fly Tyer  
[www.profliesunlimited.com](http://www.profliesunlimited.com)  
609-448-0062.

#### Border Water Outfitter

Jim "Coz" Costolnick  
607.760.2270

#### Fretz's Furled Leaders

[www.fretzfurledleaders.com](http://www.fretzfurledleaders.com)  
WFRETZ@fretzfurledleaders.com

#### Plymouth Meeting Orvis Retail Store

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



# THE Fly FISHING Show®

January 24, 25, 26

Edison NJ

New Jersey Convention and Expo Center

March 7 & 8

Lancaster PA

Lancaster County Convention Center

Returning to the BWI Marriott  
1743 W Nursery Road, Linthicum Heights, MD

**Save the Date!!!**  
**Celebrating 20 Years**  
**Over 5000sq ft of Fly Fishing**

3 Seminar Rooms, Featured Tiers, Fly Shops,  
Industry Pros, Salt and Freshwater Guides  
February 22 10-4:30 February 23 10-2:30

*Lefty Kreh's*



*Tie Fest*

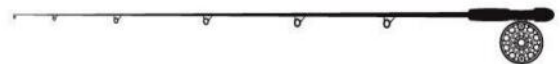


For more information on how to become a vendor, contact us at:  
tieflyes@gmail.com



## MARYLAND FLY FISHING

& COLLECTIBLE TACKLE SHOW



On March 14, 2020, the Maryland Fly Fishing and Collectible Tackle Show will be in Towson, Maryland. The Show has quickly become a premiere regional show attracting a variety of professional exhibitors throughout the east coast. Doors are open from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

### Fly Tying Demo before Monthly Meeting



Starting 7:00PM at the  
November Meeting

Going Forward we will have a  
signup sheet for anyone who  
would like to be the next  
demonstrator.

This is a great way to learn  
how to be a Demo Tier and  
also how to become a Fly Tying  
Instructor

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### Furled Leaders? By Bill Fretz

Some people know of them. Some have heard of them. Others have no idea of what they are. Just a little of background info. Furled leaders are what was used until the advent of current Monofilament leaders that are now used. Furled leaders were made with horse hair and then switched to SILK. Mono leaders quickly over came Silk & made them obsolete.

There are still many good features of the Furled leader that mono leaders can not surpass. Everybody has dealt with mono leaders and their nasty memory, coiling. Or turning into a birds nest that has destroyed their leader right after it was rig up. Furled leaders have no memory and lay flat on the water. They cast so nice, accuracy and presentation comes with ease.

Over the past 10+ years I have been making different furled leaders, using modern materials. I have been fishing with these leaders for over a decade and have no intention of ever using MONO gain. Except for the fine furled leaders that I construct from mono. I also make them from thread. Furled leaders can last for seasons. I spend more time now fishing & less time sitting on the bank fixing Leader.



# 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 .



# **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\*\***







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



# 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 20<sup>th</sup>  
3:00 PM – 10:00 PM**

**(215) 639-7427**

**1545 Street Rd.  
Bensalem, PA**





# 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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Club Affiliation **Delaware Valley Fly Fishers PA** \_\_\_\_\_

Referred by \_\_\_\_\_

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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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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 February 25**  
**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 Adams Dry Fly. This is a great attractor pattern that still is one of the best sellers at fly shops and fly fishing catalogs

**Just bring your own vise and materials and join in the fun.**



**Materials for the Adams**

Hook: Dry Fly Hook size 10 to 18  
Tail: Mixed Brown and Grizzly Hackle fibers  
Body : Muskrat grey dubbing fur  
Thread: Black 6/0  
Hackle: Grizzly and Brown Mixed  
Wing: Grizzly Hen Hackle Tips

## January Fly of the Month

### Olive Lefty's Deciever

Fly tied and photos by Jerry Coviello



*Adams Dry Fly  
Tied By  
Jerry Coviello*

#### Adams Dry Fly

This is a traditional Dry Fly. Some consider it an OLD Time Fly but to this day one of the best selling favorite dry flies and should be in everyone's fly box. Vary the sizes from 10 through 20. In 1922, Leonard Halladay, a Michigan fly tier conceived the Adams as a general mayfly imitation. It was first fished by an Ohio attorney and friend of Halladay, Charles F. Adams on the Boardman River near Traverse City, Michigan. Charles Adams reported his success with the fly to Halladay who decided to name the fly after his friend.

(Cited: Schullery, Paul (1996). American Fly Fishing-A History. Norwalk, CT: The Easton Press)

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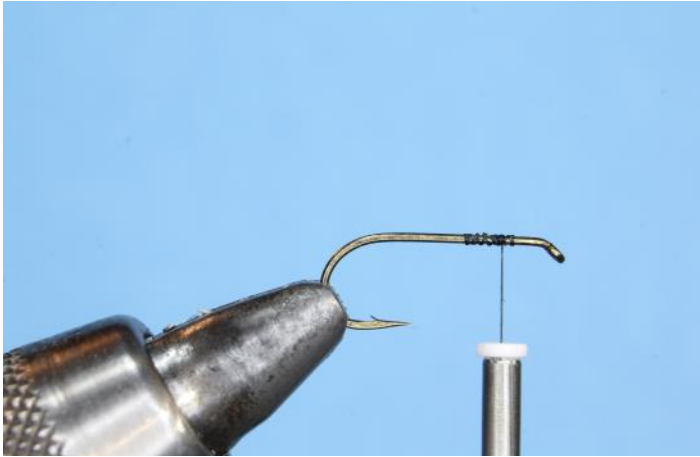
**Thread:** Black 6/0

**Hackle:** Grizzly and Brown Mixed

**Wing:** Grizzly Hen Hackle Tips

Grizzly and Brown Ewing Hackle Feathers are used for this size 12 fly Solarez UV Bone Dry used for the head





### Step 1

Place your Hook in the vise



### Step 2

Take a pair of hen grizzly hackles for the wing. Measure them against the hook shank



### Step 3

Once the wing is measured, move the to 1/4 point behind the eye of the hook to tie them in on top of the hook shank.



#### Step 4

Pull the wing upright. Tie a thread dam or jam knot in front of the wing so it will stand up



#### Step 5

Pass your thread between the wings to split them into two separate wing. Figure eight the thread between the wings



#### Step 6

Bring your thread to the bend of the hook. Cut brown and grizzly hackle fibers for the wing and mixed them.

Measure the mixed hackle fibers against the hook shank. Tail will be the length of the hook shank..



Step 7  
Tie the tail at the bend of  
the hook



Step 8  
Get ready to dub the body



Step 9  
Start dubbing the muskrat  
fur at the bend of the hook  
and taper as you go towards  
the wing



### Step 10

Stop the body behind the wing but leave a small space to tie in the hackles



### Step 11

Tie in a Grizzly and Brown hackle, I like have the dull sides facing each other.



### Step 12

With your hackle plyers take one hackle and wrap it 3 times behind the wing and 3 times in front of the wing, tie it off and cut the tip.





### Step 13

Take the second hackle with your hackle plyer and wrap 3 times behind the wing and three times in front of the wing.

Secure the tip and cut the hackle tip



### Step 14

Build a head and whip finish. Cut the thread and apply of drop of head cement or UV Solarez Bone Dry



Completed Adams Dry Fly



# 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](mailto: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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