OSPREY FLY BOX

KEN'S MAYFLY contributed by Steve Hanson

This Mayfly pattern was shown to me many years ago by long time Osprey member, Ken Baker (*now an Associate Member living in Penticton*).

Whenever the Mayflies start to hatch, this is a pattern that can be used, often with great success.

It is a very easy fly to tie.

This fly can be fished under an indicator just like a Chironomid. My favourite method is fishing it with a floating line and a long leader.



MATERIALS



Hook:	Tiemco 2302 or any curved Nymph Hook Sizes #14 to #16
Bead:	Copper - sized to match hook size 3/32" or 5/64"
Thread:	Uni 8/0 Black or Grey
Tail:	6 or 8 Moose Hairs
Body:	Flashabou dyed Olive over Pearl
Rib:	Natural Grey Ostrich
Counter Rib:	X Small Copper Wire

TYING INSTRUCTIONS



- 1. Debarb the hook, place a Copper Bead on the Hook. Start the 8/0 Thread and cover the hook shank down to the crushed Barb and then back up to the Bead.
- 2. Clip 6 or 8 Moose Hairs from the hide, remove the fluff and stack in a Hair Stacker. Make the Tail about the same length as the body and bind up to the bead to form a smooth underbody. Tie off and Clip the excess.
- 3. Tie in the X Small Copper Wire down to the tail along the bottom of the hook





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TYING INSTRUCTIONS

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- 4. Tie in the Ostrich Herl on top of the hook to the bend of the hook.
- 5. Tie in the Olive/Pearl Flashabou along the top of the hook to the bend of the hook.
- 6. Wind the Flashabou forward in toughing turns to the bead. Tie off and clip the excess.
- 7. Wind the Ostrich Herl up to the bead in 4 or 5 open spirals. Tie off and cut the excess.
- 8. Counter wind the Copper wire up to the Bead to reinforce the delicate Ostrich Herl. Tie off and helicopter the wire to break it off.
- 9. Place a cut straw over the thread and slide it back on to the body to prevent the Ostrich Herl from getting Head Cement on it.
- 10. Place a drop of Head Cement on the thread and whip finish.













