
FLY OF THE MONTH

Terry's Hoppers (say that 3 times as fast as you can)

Hook:	3x long dry fly, size 4-8 left, 10-12 right - I like 200 rbl
Thread:	Tan or Yellow (match body)
Body Hackle:	Brown hackle clipped short (when body is poly yarn, hopper on right)
Body:	Tan or Yellow round foam segmented (left hopper) Tan or Yellow Polly Yarn (right hopper or smaller hook size)
Wing:	Swiss Straw (both) medium or dark brown
Legs:	Pheasant knotted (left) Rubber knotted (right) I prefer rubber on both
Head:	Natural Elk tied bullet style (both)
Indicator:	Yellow Polly Yarn doubled (both)



- 1) Lay on a thread base
- 2) Tie on body hackle if making a Poly Yarn body
- 3) Tie on poly yarn & wrap to cover 2/3 of hook, wrap forward body hackle & trim short

Or

- 4) Tie on foam at rear so it covers 2/3's of hook and segment body forward
- 5) Tie on Swiss Straw wing to just cover body
- 6) Tie on legs at sides of body
- 7) Clean, stack, & tie on elk hair bullet style so it covers 2/3's of wing, cut hair from bottom of fly so it sits down in the skim
- 8) Lay poly yarn on top lengthwise & tie in, pull both ends up so it is doubled and post wrap it, & clip to length.
- 9) Whip finish & apply cement to bullet head and thread that ties on legs & indicator

It is a little different tying on the indicator last, but it makes it a much easier tie doing it this way, and if you don't want the indicator you can leave it off.

I "dirty" up the tan foam with a brown permanent marker, and color the segment thread wraps on the yellow foam with the same marker. The body hackle does the trick when using the poly yarn.

I want to thank Gary, Tom, & Larry for teaching me to tie, anyone who doesn't tie, should. These guys are great teachers and have become good friends.

Thanks
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