

Quick Ties with Tom Regina

At the November 15th casting and fly tying clinic we will tie the Little Red Worm Beadhead. The tools needed are a vice, bobbin, and scissors. The materials needed are a Mustad 3906 wet nymph hook, size 16 or smaller, red glass bead, red 8/0 thread and red embroidery floss. Your club will provide the materials and tools.



INSTRUCTIONS: First bend down the hook barb. Place the bead over the hook point. Once the bead is on the hook place the hook in the vise. Start the thread with a jam knot at the back of the bead which should be hard against the hook eye. Take about ten touching thread wraps toward the hook bend then return the thread to the back of the bead. Cut a six inch length of embroidery floss from the skein. Separate the six strands of the cut off floss. Use the thread to tie in one or two of the floss strands at the back of the bead with about one inch of the strand(s) sticking out over the top of the hook eye. Take several thread wraps over the floss toward the hook bend stopping at the point where the first thread wraps ended. Pull the floss toward the hook bend until the short end sticking over the hook eye is under the thread wraps. This is easier than trying to cut the end of the floss next to the bead. Continue to wrap the thread over the floss to the hook bend. Return the thread to the back of the bead. Wrap the floss forward in touching wraps to the back of the bead. With the thread, tie off the floss and cut away the excess floss. Take a few thread wraps at the back of the bead to cover the tag end of the floss. Whip finish the thread at the back of the bead. Cut the thread and place a small amount of head cement at the tie off point.

Quick Ties with Kevin Cohenour



We will tie the RM Sting originated by Richard Murphy at the November 13th bull session. See Fly Tyer magazine, Autumn 03. Materials required are a size 2 saltwater hook (60 deg jig hook preferred), white flat-waxed nylon, black crystal flash, grizzly hackle, medium monofilament eyes, medium lead dumbbell eyes and 1/16" tan foam. The fly is a small shrimp imitation.

INSTRUCTIONS: Tie in several strands of black crystal flash for antennae, a set of monofilament eyes at the hook bend, and the lead dumbbells just behind the hook eye. Tie on a grizzly hackle at the hook bend and palmer wrap forward to the dumbbell eyes. Cut the foam to shape and tie on behind the dumbbells. Apply super glue to the bottom of the foam and press it over the palmered hackle. Wrap the tying thread back and forth in wide spirals over the foam to define the segmented tail.