

Fly of the Month: **WEEDWACKER** by Pat Murphy

This fly was tied in a manner that will prevent it from hanging up on docks after poorly placed casts. It is weedless, as well. There are a variety of materials you can use, but I have chosen a material new to me. Hope you find it successful.

MATERIALS:

HOOK: VMC #6319 WIDE GAP 1/0 WORM HOOK

GAMAKATSU #58411 WIDE GAP WORM HOOK 1/0

THREAD: WHITE 140d

BELLY FLASH: PEARL UV KRYSTAL FLASH

BELLY: CRYSTAL FLASH, SILVER SCALE (S/F BLEND WHITE)

LATERAL LINE: SILVER FLASHABOU (DYED BLUE PEARL FAB)

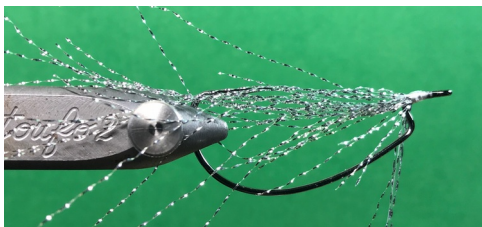
WING BACK: CRYSTAL FLASH, MULLET BROWN (S/F BLEND TAN)

WING FLASH: KRYSTAL FLASH, BONEFISH TAN (OPTIONAL)

THROAT: RED EP FIBER **EYES:** 6MM HOLOGRAPHIC DOME

INSTRUCTION:

Note: All materials will be tied on shank between hook eye and hook bend. Stagger material on shank to form a taper nose.



1. Debarb hook, add 6-8 doubled K/Flash at shank with tag end extended past hook eye. Tag about length of hook to bend. Secure and fold tag end under belly flash.

2. Over top of flash add thin clump Silver Scale materials staggered @1st tie-in extended just past flash.



3. For the lateral line, add 8-10 strand Flashabou doubled, top of belly material. Stagger tie-in. Extend to match belly materials.

4. Secure 7-8 strands K/Flash wing flash over top, doubled extended to end of fly.



5. Brush materials to back of fly, between thumb and forefinger feather out materials and trim to baitfish profile.

6. Add small pinch red EP fibers at end of shank before bend. Divide around hook

7. Add eyes to material strands behind shank.

TYING TIPS

If you are having a problem with you lead eyes rotating around hook after catching a fish, try using metal file to rough up hook shank in different directions before applying thread. Wrap eyes in regular manner. Then make open wraps from eyes to bend then apply super glue, and wrap back to eyes. while super glue is still wet. Then continue tying your fly materials. **Pat**