



Flies and Lies



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DVFF day-trip to Tulpelhocken Creek September 15, 2026

Late summer fly fishing in the tailrace below Blue Marsh Lake near Reading
Pennsylvania appears enjoyable
-All Fish All Waters-

The Delaware Valley Fly Fishers an charter club of Fly Fishers International and is a **non-profit** 501 (c) (3), conservation and educational organization that has been promoting the sport of Fly Fishing and Fly Tying since 1984.

We meet the 2nd Thursday of the Month

Articles for the Flies and Lies newsletter must be submitted by the first week of the month to be published in the next month's issue.

DVFF Facebook Page
<https://www.facebook.com/DVFlyFisher/>

From the President's Fly Tying Desk

Dear DVFF Members,

Our member renewal process has started. We already have over 10 members that have renewed online in the first 2 days. Our goal is to have all members renewed before December 1, 2026. You must renew your membership to sign up for any of our 2027 trips.

Our Annual Banquet is fast approaching; it is our major source of funds for the club. The Banquet is scheduled for December 10, 2026, at Georgine's Restaurant in Bristol PA. It is a good opportunity to socialize with club members. We have a lot of door prizes, including Fly Rods, Reels, Packs and accessories as well as Gift Cards. We are looking for filled fly boxes for additional prizes, if you can help with that, please let me know.

The first trip you can sign up for is Kettle Creek Lodge and Cabins, April 22-25, 2027. The sign up for the trip will start on January 2, 2027. A club email will be sent out on that day. (time to be announced later)

The next trips will be Mink Pond, Riverside Inn & Café (Beaverkill) and Dream Catcher Resort (West Branch of the Delaware). You can sign up for them in the first week of February 2027.

Tim Flagler is our speaker for October 2026. He will be giving a presentation on fishing the Ken Lockwood Gorge on the South Branch of the Raritan in Califon NJ.

Our weekday trip is scheduled for October 22, 2026, on this river.

Be safe and stay well,

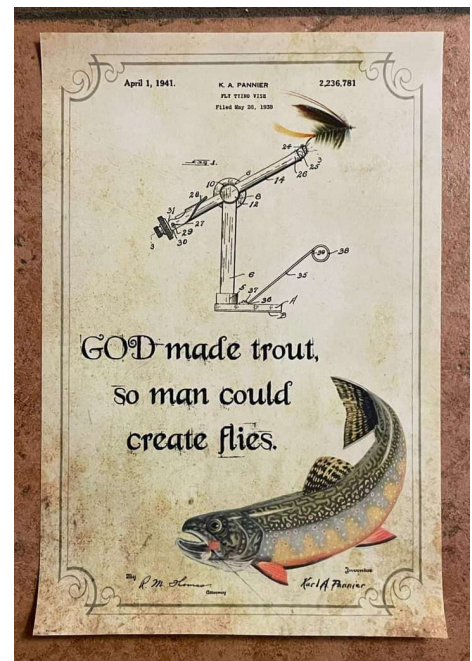
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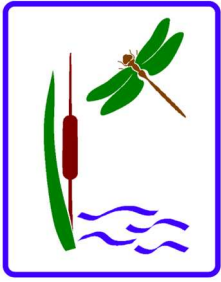
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Meeting Location

Churchville Nature Center
501 Churchville Lane
Churchville, Pennsylvania 18966
DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 pm
MEETINGS START AT 7pm

This Month's Presentation



Tim Flagler is the owner of Tightline Productions, L.L.C., a video production company located in Califon, NJ. Although he produces video programs over a wide range of topics, his specialty is fly fishing. Tim is a well-known fly tying instructor. His YouTube videos are some of the best in the business and his YouTube channel, <https://www.youtube.com/@tightlinevideo/videos> currently has over 128,000 subscribers and 42 million views. He produces new fly tying or "how to" videos which appear not only on his YouTube channel but on MidCurrent as well. They're also featured on Trout Unlimited's national website and in the Orvis Learning Center. In addition, he has a regular column "Beginner's Masterclass with Tim Flagler" in Fly Tyer magazine, which selected Tim as their "Fly Tyer of the Year" in their Winter 2022 issue. Many of Tim's tying videos take the viewer well beyond just the tying of the fly and show what it looks like underwater, what natural it represents and how it can be fished.

Tim's a fixture at the Fly Fishing Shows - giving presentations, teaching classes and often as a Featured Tier. He does monthly "Tie-Off's" with Tom Rosenbauer (Orvis) and Cheech Pierce (Fly Fish Food) as well. He enjoys guiding year round for South Branch Outfitters (formerly Shannon's Fly & Tackle) in Califon, NJ and hosts annual trips to Patagonia in the spring and to the Kootenai River in MT & Northern British Columbia in the summer. He also hosts several trips within the year to Spruce Creek, PA and to the Erie area for steelhead in early December.

SPECIAL EVENTS

2026 Fly Fisherman of the Year - Nominations are now open, go to the webpage <https://forms.gle/sMBuLHSZzUwR3R6YA> for the survey link to submit your choice for this award soon. Nominations close October 20th.

The 2026 DVFF Holiday Banquet is on Thursday evening December 10th this year. The event is being held at Georgine’s Restaurant at 1320 Newport Road, in Croydon PA.

Price is \$40 per person
(We will soon have web links available to purchase Dinner tickets and Raffle tickets. Check the DVFF webpage for updates with these additions)
Menu- buffet style roast beef, shells, and chicken marsala, Sheet cake, Cash bar

Volunteers are needed (to arrive early) for this event to proceed smoothly.
Scott Griffith is coordinating the event Contact him at mrgrif3888@gmail.com

- _____ : Door check to issue admittance based on reservations.
- _____ : Raffle Ticket dispenser of pre-ordered raffle tickets.
- _____ : Raffle Ticket seller for persons to buy at the Banquet.

Michael Epstein: Basket of Cheer collections
Members can contribute bottles of Wine and Spirits at General DVFF meetings. (Items that require refrigeration not accepted)

Below is a sample of some of the many prizes available this year:

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Battenkill click Reel III | Orvis guide Sling Pack |
| Battenkill disc Reel III | Orvis Carry It All Large |
| Recon 9' 5wt | Orvis Wading Staff |
| Recon 8'6" 4wt | Peak Vise THVP G2 |
| Superfine glass 7'6" 4wt | |

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SPEAKER</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
October 8th	Tim Flagler	Fishing Ken Lockwood Gorge
November 12th	Workshop	Swap Meet (sellers wanted), Fly Tying Demo, Online Dues Payment Stations & Assistance
December 10th		Annual Holiday Banquet
January 14 th		
February 11 th		
March 11th		
April 8 th		
May 13th		
June 10 th		
July 8 th		
August 12th		
September 9th		
October 14 th		
November 11th		

2027 DVFF Membership Dues

Existing Members were sent an email on September 29th with an attached form for 2027 renewal. A link is included there for online submittal of your renewal payment.

New Members should go to the club website to complete the member information form and submit payment online.

DVFF dues \$35.00 for all members (excluding: Life Members, Honorary and Youth)

FFI dues	Standard	\$45.00	Total	\$80.00
	Senior/Veteran	\$35.00	Total	\$70.00
	Youth	\$20.00	Total	\$20.00

Dues Structure will be evaluated annually. FFI and DVFF dues will be collected together prior to the start of a new year. Dues for 2027 will be collected from October 2026 thru November 2026. We will have computers available during the November meeting to pay your dues on-line.

SOS (Swap or Sell)

This space is reserved for listing items that members wish to trade or sell.
Fly fishing related items only.
Items can be described and a photo can be included.
Send your item listing to be added to the newsletter to: delawarevalleyflyfishers@gmail.com
Listing will be limited to 2 consecutive newsletters.
Transactions will not be permitted during the general club business meeting.
The parties should arrange to meet after the normal business meeting.

Johnny Kaminski has listed the following items for sale.
Contact Johnny at jkaminski2011@gmail.com

Rod and Reel Pricing

- 1. Fly Tying Kit with Renzetti traveling vise - \$200.
- 2. Reels
 - A. Abel #3 AntiReverse (AR) with case, new - \$900.
 - B. Abel 4N 8wt, new - \$400.
 - C. Billy Pate 7wt AR with case, new - \$500.
 - D. STH 6wt, used - \$50.
 - E. STH 7-8wt, New - \$75.
 - F. Islander #2, 6wt, AR, New - \$350.
 - G. STH 5-6wt, w/sock, used - \$75.
 - H. STH IM C1, new - **SOLD**
 - I. STH IM C2, new - \$50.
- 3. Sage X, 11’ 7wt, 4 piece, new - \$700.
- 4. Custom 10’ 5wt, 2 piece, used - \$200.
- 5. Sage Graphite II, 9’ 5wt, used - \$300.
- 6. G-Loomis IMX 10’ 10wt 2 piece, new - \$200.
- 7. G-Loomis GL3 FR763 6’6” 3wt, 2 piece, new - **SOLD**
- 8. G-Loomis IMX Pro 10’ 7wt, 2 piece, new - \$500.
- 9. Echo 11’ 6wt, 4 piece, new - \$200.
- 10. G-Loomis GL3 FR1088 9’ 8wt, 2 piece, used - \$100.
- 11. Custom 10’6” 6wt, 2 piece, new - \$200.
- 12. Sage Graphite IV 12’6” 8wt, 2 piece, new - \$300.
- 13. G-Loomis GL3 9’9wt, 2 piece, used - \$200.
- 14. G-Loomis 9’9” 7wt, 2 piece, used- \$200.
- 15. G-Loomis GL3 9’4wt, 2 piece, used - \$200.
- 16. Allen Case with contents - \$50.

Member Reminder- You can list items you wish to sell here by sending an email to delawarevalleyflyfishers@.com

Delaware Valley Fly Fishers Overnight Trips			
Dates	Accommodations	Location	Cost
April 22-25, 2027	Kettle Creek Lodge	Cross Fork, PA	¹ TBD
June 2-4, 2027	Riverside Lodge	Roscoe, NY	² TBD
May 12-14, 2027	Mink Pond Club	Bushkill, PA	² TBD
June 24-27, 2027	Dreamcatcher Cabins	Deposit, NY	² TBD

For Overnight Trips information contact Bill Fretz

¹Trip sign-up opens January 2, 2027

²Trip sign-up opens February 1, 2027

Delaware Valley Fly Fishers Weekday Trips			
DATE	DAY/TIME	WATER	GPS Coordinates
February 26th	Thurs 10AM	Little Schuylkill	40.679281, 76.002196
March 26th	Thurs 10AM	McMichaels	40.961015, 75.249177
April 16th	Thurs 9AM	Brodhead	41.032188, 75.208572
May 6th	Wed 9AM	Tulpehocken	40.372674, 76.008779
June 18th	Thurs 4PM	Pohopoco	40.847177, 75.642830
July 16th	Thurs 9AM	Neshaminy	40.245490, 74.977984
Aug 18th	Tues 9AM	Perkiomen	40.331690, 75.483180
September 15th	Tues 9AM	Tulpehocken Creek, PA	40.372674, 76.008779
*October 22nd	Thurs 9AM	Ken Lockwood Gorge, NJ	40.688143,-74.880082
November	?	TBD	TBD

*PLEASE NOTE New Jersey Trout Fishing License Required

For Day-Trip information contact Johnny Kaminski

Shops Supporting Delaware Valley Fly Fishers		
Mainstream Outfitters 1121 N. Easton Rd. Doylestown, PA 18902 Phone: 215-766-1244 www.mainstreamoutfitters.com	Fretz's Furled Leaders www.fretzfurledleaders.com www.fretzfurledleaders.com	Anita Coulton Guiding from Cross-Current Outfitters 6048 Hancock Highway Starlight, PA Phone: 570-635-5151 www.crosscurrentguideservice.com
Tulpehocken Creek Outfitters 525 West Lancaster Avenue Haverford, PA 19041 Phone: 610-527-3388 www.tcoflyfishing.com	Ray Miller The Wandering Sportsman www.riversageoutdoors.com/	
	Sky Blue Outfitters www.skyblueoutfitters.com/	



Delaware Valley Fly Fishers Merchandise

Check out the DVFF swag and get Holiday gifts at our vendor website

Share your support of DVFF by wearing Shirts, Hats, Jackets, Vest, Beanie’s, Etc.



Link below for the DVFF Store, Any issues or questions contact Scott Griffith at mrgrif3888@gmail.com



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We now have a DVFF Coffee Mug available for sale at \$10 each. Contact Scott Griffith to place an order or to check current availability. (This is not available through the apparel website above)



Video Library - Marie Roarty

Marie is the new Library Chair, she will bring the DVD's to the meeting for you to borrow.

If you would like to see the list of the DVDs you can access the list using the below link.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1abTvoB00A-fsDL41pzHK8_mPugXXXisO/view?usp=sharing

Below are a few of the DVD's in the Library

20	Fishing Across America, Little Lehigh, Utah's Green River Trout	
21	Fly Tying- Favorite Flies Volume 2	Paul Jorgenson
22	Nymphing	
31	Fly Tying Made Clear and Simple	Skip Morris
33	Fly Tying- Favorite Flies Volume 1	Paul Jorgenson
39	Rene Harrop's Favorite Flies, Extra Terrestrials	Harrison Steeves
42	The Best of New Zealand, Trout in Stillwater	
45	Trout Strategies, Fly Fishing for Trout	Gay Borger
46	Life cycle of the Mayfly, Steelhead Patterns	Rene Harrop
48	Saltwater Fly Tying	Lefty Kreh
49	Shad Fishing, Bass Buggers	John Punola
52	Fishing Knots, Essence of Flycasting	
53	Classic Dry Flies #1, Learning to Tye Flies	
59	Favorite Flies, Innovations of Modern Fly Tying	Dick Talleur
60	Hair Trout Flies, Spinning Deer Hair	Chris Helm

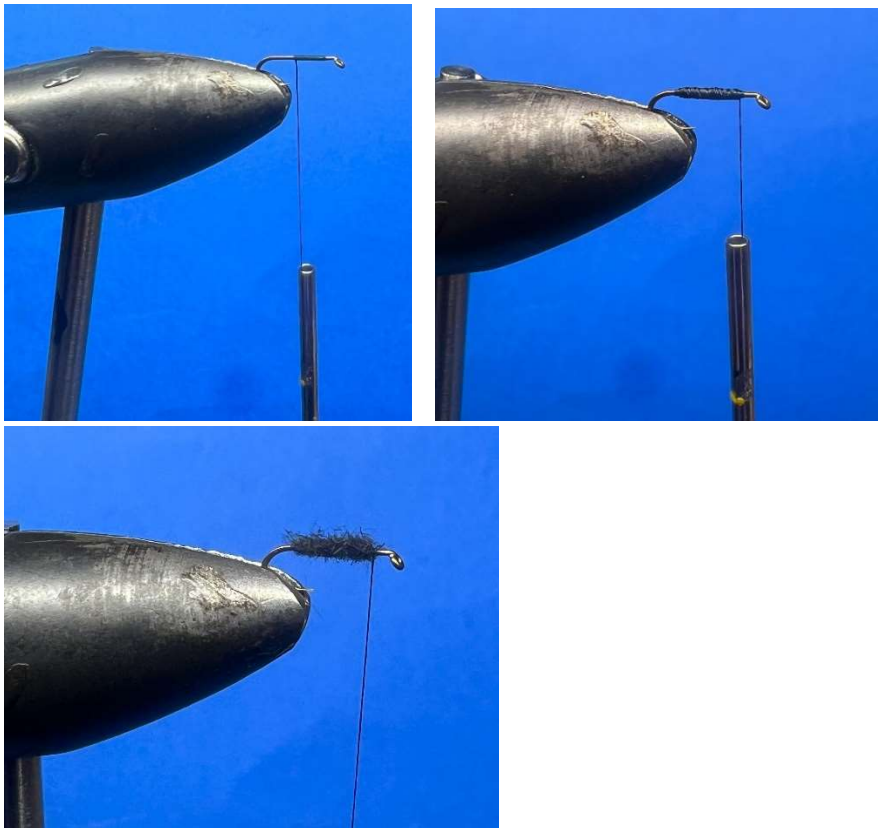
FLY OF THE MONTH

The F Fly



One of the easiest and simplest to tie flies is the F Fly. It was created by Marjan Fratnik who was an early proponent of using CDC for tying flies and is responsible for many simple and effective fly patterns. It can be tied in many sizes and colors for both the body and the wing. It can be tied with just a thread body or by dubbing a very thin one. The original pattern was tied with just a thread body. Marjan also tied his with a CDC wing which he cut to length rather than using the tips of the feather. His method provides greater stiffness in the wing and possibly a higher float on the water, though they do look nicer with the natural ends.

Place your choice of dry fly hook in the vice and attach your choice of color for the thread. Wrap the thread up and back and build a thread body or dub a thin body.



This is being tied on a size 18 hook for which I'm using two CDC feathers. Stack the feathers on top of each other and even the tips. (Note, this isn't critical if you are trimming the feathers to length). Stroke the feather fibers toward the tips and create a bunch to about the length of the wing.



Use a pinch wrap and tie the CDC bunch on top of the hook at the end of the thread/dubbed body with several wraps. Adjust the length by pulling on the feathers if they are too long. Then lift the butt ends up and take a couple of

wraps in front and under the stems before returning to behind the butts and taking a few securing wraps. This helps to lock the feathers in a little better. Trim off the butt ends.



Wrap over the butts, create a small head, whip finish and use head cement if you like.



You can also tie the wing longer than needed and then trim the tips off. This is the method used by it's originator. He felt it provided a stiffer wing which allowed the fly to float higher on the water.



This simple fly is truly a must have in your box. It is a great imitator of the small black caddis found in our Pocono streams. It can be tied in many sizes and colors to imitate a variety of insects and it has proven to be very productive fly for grayling when tied in bright orange and pink.



MEMBERS ONLY FACEBOOK GROUP PAGE

www.facebook.com/groups/

For Members to post fly fishing and fly tying discussions

A new feature has been created off the Delaware Valley Fly Fishers Facebook Page, it is a Facebook Group Page. You can find it on the DVFF Facebook page in the Group Box.

This was created because of a survey comment that asked for a way so members can communicate, comment and discuss with the group fly fishing, tying and any other topics you feel is important.

The difference between the DVFF Facebook Group Page and the DVFF Facebook Page is, the DVFF Facebook Page is accessible to the world but only comments can be left on the page. Only Admins and Editors can post to the DVFF Facebook Page. The DVFF Facebook Group Page is members only and only the members can post and comment on this page. This becomes an interactive page for our members to use for discussion topics.

This is a **PRIVATE GROUP** and if you would like to join it you need to click on the Group Page Link in the box and answer the questions and you will be accepted to the page if you are a paid member.

There are currently 3 Posted Topics in the Group Page now. **Online Meetings, September Fishing Outing** and **Online Fly Tying Workshops**, more topics will be created as needed.

DVFF Group Page rules:

Be Kind and Courteous

We're all in this together to create a welcoming environment. Let's treat everyone with respect. Healthy debates are natural, but kindness is required.

No Hate Speech or Bullying

Make sure everyone feels safe. Bullying of any kind isn't allowed, and degrading comments about things like race, religion, culture, sexual orientation, gender or identity will not be tolerated.

No Promotions or Spam

Give more than you take to this group. Self-promotion, spam and irrelevant links aren't allowed.

Respect Everyone's Privacy

Being part of this group requires mutual trust. Authentic, expressive discussions make groups great, but may also be sensitive and private. What's shared in the group should stay in the group

This page is moderated so any violations from a member, will cause the member will be removed.

Please enjoy and be responsible

Please if you have anything you are displeased with don't make public posts, a private email to the Delaware Valley Email will be the correct venue. Other Board Members have access to read those emails and would take the appropriate action.

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A Reminder on Stream Etiquette

- Always be polite on the water, respect others, and respect the environment.
- Don't 'crowd' other anglers, give people space.
- When wanting to pass a person fishing always ask if its ok to pass BEHIND them, communicate your intentions
- Don't be splashing around.
- A person has an area until they are ready to give it up, avoid jumping in immediately downstream or upstream of another angler.
- Don't litter, pack out trash if you find it
- Practice good conservation by keeping fish in the water and minimize time out of water
- Use barbless hooks for easy/safe release