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Re: West Branch, Delaware River, NY 8/2-8/3
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For Starters: Here is a link to a thread on the Iverson Emerger. About halfway down there is a pic of the finished fly, and a picture of the inspiration for the name.

Yes, it was a very long float. There was not much wind, but guess which way it blew when it did blow? How does it always know to blow up river?

The goop in the river was not terrible. Maybe clean the streamer every 3-4 casts. But every 3-4 casts I am untangling it from my hat, oar, boots, anchor so that was not so bad. By Hale Eddy I did not have any more problems with algae.

I saw Olives, very few, during the day (I call every small grey fly an Olive). I started way too high on the river to see any Trico's if they were happening down lower.

Later in the day someone told me there were very small Sulphers, and that possibly my "olives" were sulphers. In the evening, starting around 5pm, probably from Meth down there were lots of what I think were Olives, but they were very small (20ish) and there were sporadic feeders. I paddled down to Bard, and there I saw the smaller Olives and larger Sulphers. Not a blizzard hatch, but enough to bring up regular feeders.

Yesterday was a nymphing day, or a chuck and duck day. I opted for chuck and duck, because I am not much of a streamer fisherman, but I bought the video and I am trying to improve. It is also a good way to burn up the miles on the river.

I never stuck a thermo in the water, but it was chilly. Flows were above 900, I rarely bumped bottom. It was overcast most of the day also.