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Topic: : Strike Indicator

Re: Strike Indicator

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Merriam-Webster wrote:

rec-re-a-tion noun \?re-kr?-??-sh?n\

Definition of RECREATION

: refreshment of strength and spirits after work; also : a means of refreshment or diversion

Gfen, why don't you just stand in the river without fishing then? Wouldn't it accomplish the same goal for you? Or just go for a walk near a body of water? If you are just there for recreation why not save the trouble of rigging up a rod and such, and just start your recreational fun even sooner? I personally think fising dries CAN be boring, but I didn't complain about it.

Main Topic: Over the weekend I was fishing the PA Lake Erie Tribs and came to a few realizations. I was fishing 20 Mile and was using the smallest Fish Pimp, in white, for my indie. I made several drifts through a nice pod of Steelies, and on each successive cast the fish would shift their position away from the path of the indie. I switched colors and got the same reactions, so, then, I decided to experiment more. I tried Thingamabobbers, in different sizes and colors, and got the same results. I tried a grey Floatmaster indie, same results. I tried poly-yarn, in white and bright green, and still got the same results. I decided to rebuild my leader, using hi-viz Stren in the middle as an indie, and the results finally changed. I started with 6 feet of 12 lb Maxima, knotted to 16" of 8 lb hi-viz Stren, then attached 3-5x (the streams were pretty low) tippet with a tippet ring. On the second drift with the same flies from earlier I hooked and landed a 28" 11 lb Steelhead. Indicator style, color, and shape do make a difference, and sometimes different situations call for different styles. That is why I will now always carry several different types, along with a few small sections of hi-viz Stren.