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Re: One More Brite Lite Buzzer Question

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Fishidiot wrote:

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afishinado wrote:

Tying off the wall or experimental patterns can be fun, but most times they fail to produce as well as the tried and true patterns.

True.

However, going down this road from time to time makes one a better tier and opens insight on the entire fly tying process. The most innovative tiers (think of Popovics or any of a number of guys/gals from past years) have always been experimenters. **Once in awhile, such experimentation can produce a real killer fly that is different from what the fish are accustomed to seeing and that they can't resist.**

True!.....once in a while.

I too love to experiment with patterns and try as well as invent new ones. I teach tying, and see a lot of flies that new tyers bring in.....some real crazy stuff. While that's fine / fun.....many cannot even dub very well or properly wing a dry fly.

Or on the stream, I often run into guys asking "whatyacatchinumon?" I look into their fly boxes and see they tie their own flies. I look through all kind of junk and bling and dust bunny flies looking for anything that even remotely resembles the blue wing olives floating downstream. I usually give them a few flies and wish them luck.

My advice to a new tyer is first, before going off on your own and inventing patterns or attempting to tie things you see on the Internet, learn, practice and master the basic techniques and materials which are the building blocks of fly tying. Once learned and mastered, your options are as limitless as your imagination.

But with that said, peek into the fly box of most of the experienced and successful anglers and I would bet you see many of the tried and true patterns and/or hatch matchers lined up in their box.

If your tying time, fishing time as well as budget is limited, I suggest you learn to tie up what you fish with and what matches the hatch in the streams you fish.

I tie a few experimental patterns of something I see or invent and give it a try. Every once in a while I find something that works well in a given situation or for a hatch. That's part of the fun of tying your own flies.