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Re: Valley Creek and Strike Indicators

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thebassman wrote:

I have some loon strike putty I can make into a pretty small indicator. I also have some of the smallest thingamabobbers, but even those I feel might be to large.....maybe I am just overthinking how easily spooked these fish are.

Guys caught fish before indicators were "invented"....

Don't make a bobber out of strike putty; try rolling a little on your tippet knot and in a couple of spots up the leader just to color it up for visibility. Less is more. The stealthiest thing to use is bright colored mono or even backing to make a sighter and tie it in just above your tippet section.

Fish upstream, but try to angle your casts and mend if necessary, to prevent your line and leader from floating over the fish.

Always try to keep as much line and leader off the water as possible (a longer rod helps).

Approach the section of stream cautiously and fish near to far. Fish from the bank first and slowly lengthen out your casts and wade if necessary to cover the water. To put it another way, don't boom a cast over unseen fish that may be close by and spook the pool or run before you have a chance to fish it out.

Pretend you're at Sunday Mass and kneel down to the fish Gods...they like that and ye shall be rewarded.

Finally, at this time of year, and in low and clear water...go small or go home.

Good luck.