

Fly of the Month-June2017

The Mikulak Sedge, or Travelling Sedge by *Greg Chester*

To accompany Ed Gannon's nice write up about fishing this great fly, especially on Georgetown Lake I thought I'd submit some tying instructions and photos of the Mikulak Sedge that Denny Westover suggested.

Here are the materials I used

- Hook Tiemco #280 Hopper Hook size 8
- Thread – Light Olive Unithread, 8/0
- Dubbing – MFC Frog's Hair Dubbing, Skwalla color
- Wings, head - Medium Elk



Wrap a thread base of tying thread

Tie in Elk tail/body as shown in photo. Resulting tail length to be $\frac{1}{2}$ body length...Don't overly flair hair at tail tie –in point.



Dub over body as shown.

Tie in a wing of elk hair as shown with tips just short of the tail length, dub as shown.



Tie in another wing , again with tips just short of the previous wing. This helps create the tent wing profile. This time don't clip the butts yet. Dub over the body as shown and tie in a brown saddle hackle, dry fly style, one size less than normal. In this case a size 10.



To complete the Sedge, post the elk butts as shown and clip to form a short head. Wrap hackle forward about 4 turns and tie off. Then clip the hackle flat on the bottom to allow it to float flush on the surface. Lastly apply ample cement to harden the head. This will facilitate "waking" the fly on the surface, just like the real bug. Ed offers a good technique in his write up.

Good Luck!