

Library thoughts from the Professor
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Well since I was nicknamed the Professor I thought I would give the reviewing thing another try. This time I reviewed 2 tapes and a DVD.

This month I thought I should review **Lefty's Tips, Tactics and Techniques for Fly Fishing Volume 2** to complete the set. The tape is 60 minutes long like the first one. Again the tape was filled with lots of information in short segments. What was most interesting about this tape was that he spent a good amount of time on fly selection for Stillwater, Trout, Bass, and Saltwater Flies. This was one of those if I only had a few flies what would they be kind of thing. What made it good was it talked about why he chose the flies he did which gave you some insight into choosing other flies. If you have been fishing at all you will recognize a number of these flies and they are probably in your selection of flies as well.

In addition to the flies he spent some time on waders, wading staffs, and some little techniques for casting that you may not have thought of. There was a little bit on taking pictures and for those of you who are interested, a little insight in how Lefty got started in the business of being one of the premier Fly Fishermen of the world. Overall a good tape and as I have said before you always learn a little from Lefty.

The second tape I reviewed was **Fishing The Dry Fly** by Gary Borger which is also 60 minutes long. This has a lot of general info on fishing Streams as to lies and the type of water that you encounter. It includes the methods and techniques to fish in streams and rivers effectively. There was also a fair amount of

information as to stream insects and feed. Included were a few casting and wading techniques which most all of us can use.

The last one viewed was a DVD called **Essential Skills, Streamer Fishing on Rivers with Oliver Edwards**. This is fishing in the UK. The DVD spends quite a bit of time fishing for and catching fish on the River. Oliver's Fly box is made up of only a few flies which he swears by and from his success they are effective. However a second part is the main reason, in my mind to watch this DVD. In it he shows you how to tie the patterns he finds successful. Those two patterns are something called a snappy poodle and the other a Sculpin pattern. The Poodle is a kind of bugger pattern and the Sculpin is one of the most realistic I have seen.

Enjoy your time watching all of these and then put what you learn to good use on the water.

Tight lines
Ernie