

## Thoughts from the Professor Vol. 3 Chapter 2

This month I am reviewing only one item from the Library. It's a DVD on **European Nymphing**. Well to be totally accurate it is two DVD's on the subject by **Aaron Jasper**.

These are definitely not, let's watch a quick Video on nymphing and enjoy the scenery, although that is a bonus. No this is a serious in depth look at a number of areas surrounding this phenomenon. Let's note that this is about 4 hours of Video. Yes you read it right we are talking four hours worth of viewing. What I need to say at the outset is that this is a DVD which will be useful to both the experienced fisherman and the novice alike and I will address that later in the article.

First let me note the titles of each Video. European Nymphing a Strategic Approach and Techniques and Fly Tying. The DVD's cover High Muddy Water, Early Pocket Water, Head of Pool, High Clear Water, Mid-Season Pools Stock Trout, small streams, ledges and Drop offs, Fishing Plunge Pools and summer trout. It talks about short leader Cast, Long Leader Cast, leading the flies, knots and I could go listing many other areas that are covered in the Videos. If it sounds like this is a really technical and maybe boring DVD's you are both wrong and right. It is technical in many aspects but it is far from boring and that is because of the interweaving of on the water activities and the sectioning out of a lot of the technical parts so that you can watch them in smaller sections. I said earlier that this was both for the beginner and the experience fisherman and the reason is simple. It covers so much information each can glean from this what is currently useful for each. Aaron spends much of this video on the stream fishing and reading the water which the novice will enjoy and learn from. For the

experience fisherman he provides clarity as to the techniques and strategy of this type of fishing. Just as a little extra he throws in some fly tying, leader building, strike indicator construction and outtakes' including an occasional humorous fall in the stream. Not that any of us have done that. The streams that he fishes and streams that he says are right by the road in New Jersey. He points out that these are not places deep in the woods or hard to get to but the streams that are fished on a regular basis and he catches fish. Oh, yes probably one of the biggest surprises is that his selection of flies is about 6 to 8 total. Even I can manage to tie up that many varieties. For me the only downfall to this review is that I probably need to view it again to let all the information sink in and maybe that's not so bad after all. So give it view and Enjoy. ....

Tight Lines  
Professor Ernie