

THE BACKCAST

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June 3rd Club Meeting

**6:30 at the Italian-American Club
1471 Cypress Ave
Melbourne**



Captain Debbie Hanson is an award-winning outdoor writer and freshwater fly-fishing guide living in Estero, Florida. Her passion for the outdoors was ignited at a young age due to her experiences fishing on the lakes of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan with her grandfather.

Debbie's articles, covering both freshwater and saltwater fishing techniques, have appeared in publications such as Salt Water Sportsman Magazine, Florida Sportsman Magazine, USA Today Hunt & Fish, and Gulfshore Life Magazine.

Her contagious enthusiasm for the sport has led her to appearances on nationally-televised shows such as Lunkerville, George Poveromo's World of Saltwater Fishing, and A Fishing Story with Ronnie Green.

Debbie also works as the Director of Community Outreach for the Freedom Waters Foundation in Naples and serves on the board of Fish Florida, a non-profit organization which helps people, especially children, learn about fishing and Florida's environment via proceeds from the sale of the state's specialty sailfish auto license plate.



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Rambles

Welcome to June with daily afternoon rains and hot weather in full swing. Where else can you be driving along I-95 and the outside temperature is 90 d. and then 20 minutes later you are driving through hail and the temperature is down to 68 d. That scenario recently happened while I was driving south from NSB to Cocoa Beach recently. The reason I bring this up is on May 29th I watched an afternoon storm blow through in Cocoa Beach. From my back porch I watched several boats racing through the rain and lightening trying to get back to wherever they came from or were going to. So, if you are going out on some type of watercraft check the weather forecast and keep your eyes on the horizon.

The BFFA shirts will be ordered after this next meeting as we want to make sure everyone has had a chance to make their selections. If you have not contacted me, please do so. Craigsmith52@gmail.com

Fly Tying with Jeff Ward
Fly of the month is:
Mylar Surf Candy

Recipe:

Hook: Mustad 34007 #1

Thread: 210 White

Belly: Clear Crystal Web

Flash: Holo Silver

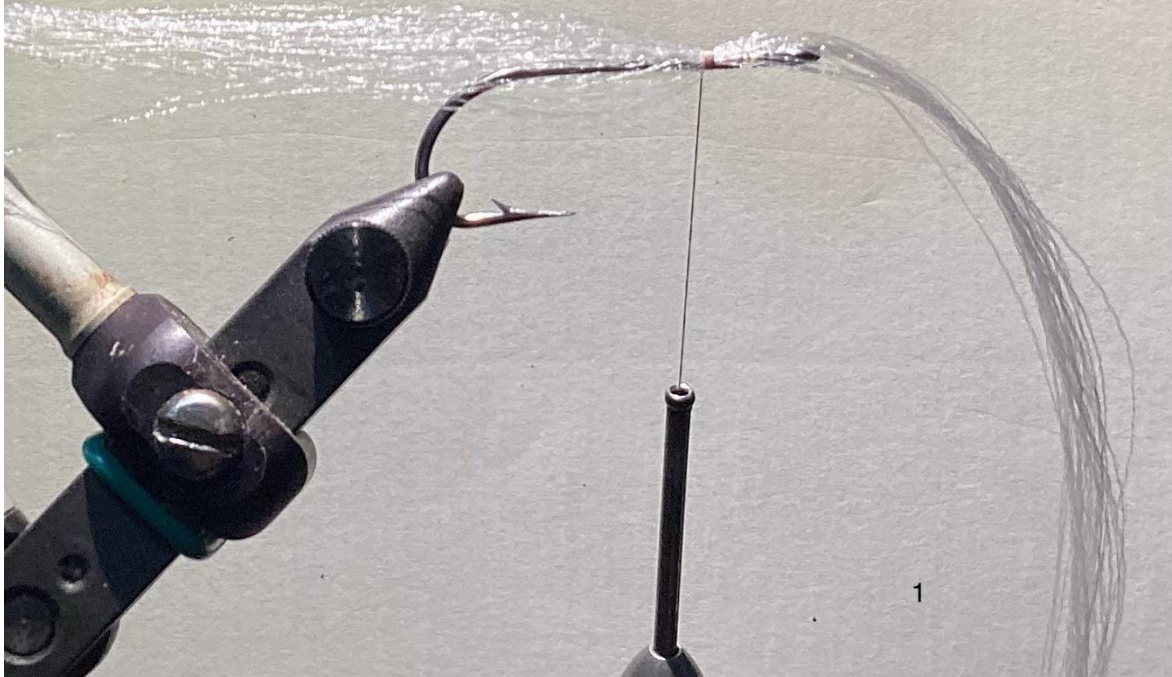
Back: Crystal Web color of choice

Head: Medium Clear Mylar Tube

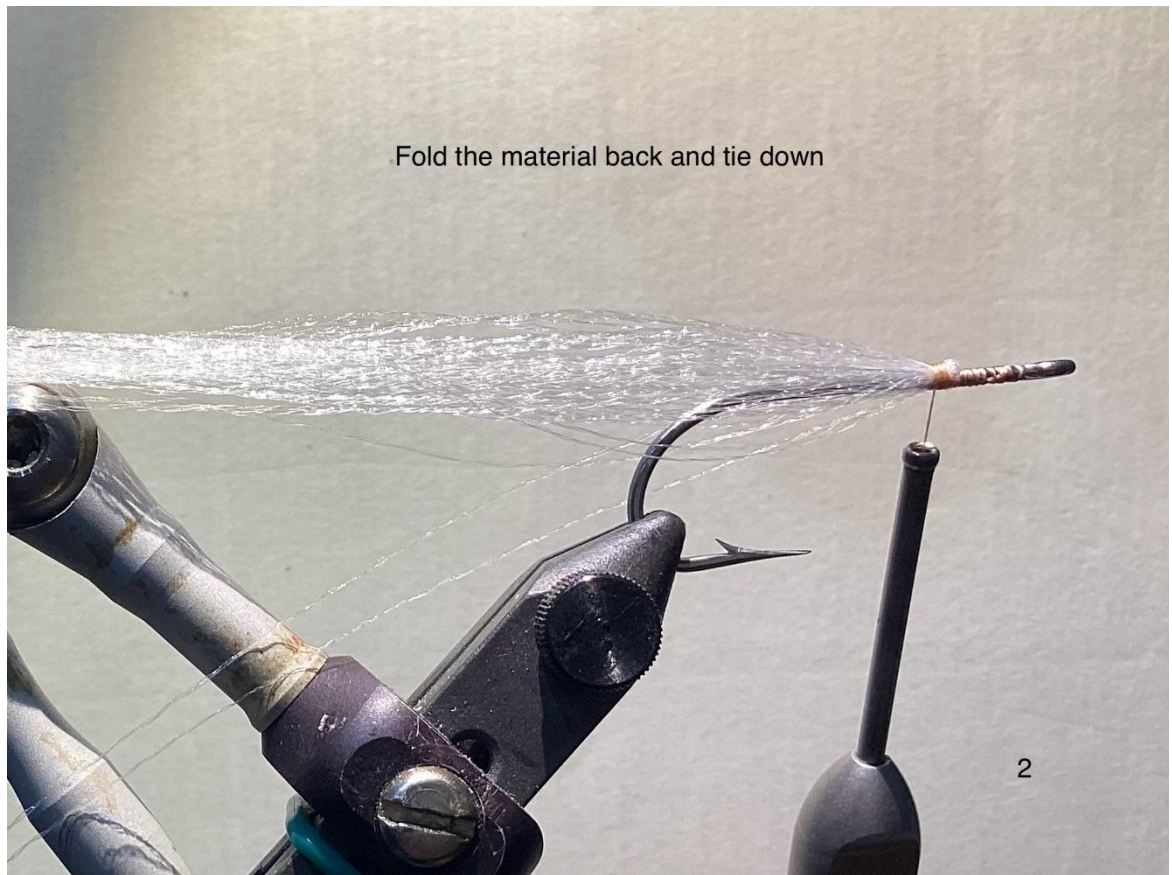
Eyes: 5mm



Start thread at the eye of the hook and wrap back a quarter of an inch
Thai belly material in equal amount front and back



Fold the material back and tie down



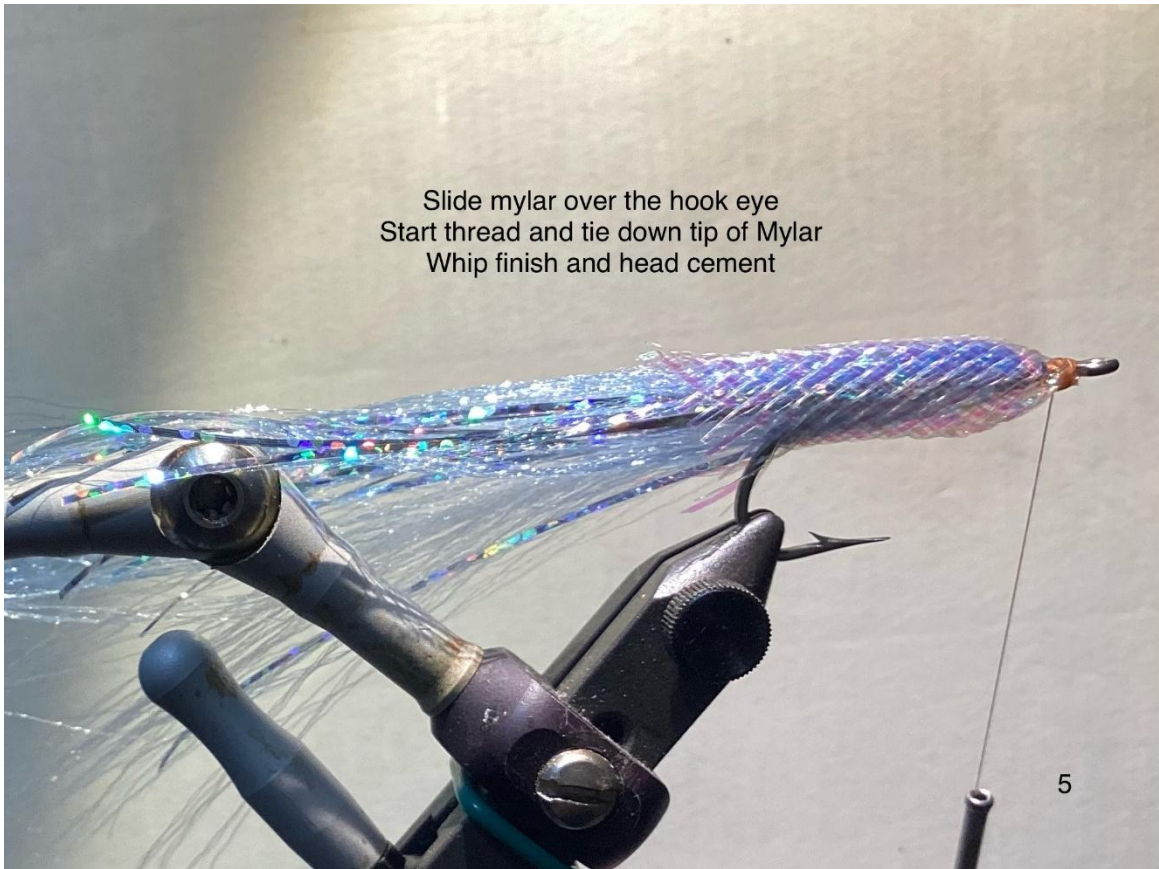
With some holographic flash tie down the same way



Next add back material in the color of your choice
Whip finish and head cement



Slide mylar over the hook eye
Start thread and tie down tip of Mylar
Whip finish and head cement



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Glue on eyes
Head cement or epoxy mylar from the eye to the bend
of the hook



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BFFA June 2025 Events

Monthly Dinner Meeting :

June 3rd 6:30
Italian-American Club
1471 Cypress Ave
Melbourne, Fl

Fly Tying:

June 16^h
Melbourne library 6:15 p.m.
Everyone needs to bring their own fly-tying
tools. Jeff will have the materials and hooks
for the fly.

June Outings

Nothing on the books.

Board Meeting:

June 10th--5:00 We meet at Ron Winn's
office at 2103 Grant Place Melbourne. All
members are welcome to join. We typically eat
at Megs first and then rejoin at Ron's office
around 6:00 for the club meeting.



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