

These flies include several of my old favorites from decades of fishing the upper North Platte in Wyoming and a couple of excellent, lesser known patterns for Front Range streams. The old favorites are my variations on some classic patterns that don't get used much today. I threw the rainbow smelt in for fun. It's a great fly for really big brook trout in the Nipigon River, where the world record brook trout was caught.

**Mega wooly**

Hook - 2x or 3x long size 6 TMC9395  
Thread - black  
Weight - .030 lead wire  
Tail - brown hackle tips  
Body - black wool yarn  
Rib - medium copper wire  
Hackle - brown saddle

**Little Hornberg streamer**

Hook - 2x long size 10 Dai-Riki 075  
Weight - .020 lead wire  
Body - gold flat tinsel or gold braid  
Tail - mallard breast feather filaments  
Under wing - yellow marabou  
Over wing - mallard breast feathers  
Hackle - grizzly

**Modern Montana nymph**

Hook - 3x long size 8 or 10 Dai-Riki 710  
Thread - black  
Weight - .020 lead wire  
Tail - brown hackle tips  
Body - black wool yarn  
Thorax - yellow chenille with black yarn overlay  
Hackle/legs - brown

**Charlie Brooks stonefly**

Hook - 2x or 3x long size 6 or 8 Dai-Riki 710  
Thread - black  
Weight - .025 lead wire  
Tail - black biots  
Body/thorax - black wool  
Rib - copper wire  
Thorax - white ostrich, brown and grizzly hackle

**Hairwing Royal Coachman streamer**

Hook - 3x long size 8 or 10 Dai-Rik 710i  
Weight -.015 lead wire  
Tail - ringneck pheasant breast feathers or golden pheasant  
Body - rear and front, peacock herl, middle red spanflex  
Wing - version 1- white calftail fibers, version 2- white mink strip  
Throat brown hackle fibers

**Milt's orange crush**

Copper version:  
Hook - size 14 or 16 1x long TMC2488  
Thread - bronze or rust  
Tail - light brown biots  
Body - medium brown biot or rust antron wrapped in clear midge tubing  
Thorax - rust synthetic dubbing, overlaid on back with orange Crystal Flash, secured with Loon UV  
Legs - small light brown round rubber or orange barred  
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Bead - copper tungsten 7/64

Yellow version:

Hook - size 16 1x long TMC2488  
Thread - yellow  
Tail - yellow biots  
Body - yellow biot  
Thorax - yellow synthetic dubbing overlaid with yellow Crystal Flash  
Legs - small cream round rubber  
Bead - gold tungsten 7/64

**Milt's go to fly**

Hook - Dai-Riki 270 or TMC 200R size 14-18  
Body - olive 2mm foam and light brown or tan razor foam  
Thread -olive  
Rib - fine gold wire  
Hackle - light blue dun  
Wing - deer body hair with dark tips, pink or magenta antron  
Legs - small brown round rubber  
Head - Arizona peacock or peacock herl

**Rainbow smelt**

Hook - size 2, 4x long TMC9395  
Thread - black  
Tail - mallard flank fibers  
Body - purple cactus chenille, holographic cactus chenille  
Rib - fine silver wire  
Wing - white rabbit zonker strip, green and copper flashabou, small holographic Flashabou  
Front overwing - chartreuse rabbit strip  
Cheeks and throat - mallard breast feathers  
Eyes - holographic, 3/16 stick-on secured with Loon UV resin