

FDG Salmon & Sea Trout Fly Course
Spring 4 – Alistair Conehead or Tube



Pattern / Materials for Conehead

Tube	40mm of 1.8mm dia clear plastic inner Sean Stanton tube inserted 10mm into 25mm of 3mm dia orange outer tube [Finished tube fly can be 20mm – 50mm]
Thread	Red or Black 8/0
Tag	Gold Flat Tinsel.
Rib	Gold Wire
Body	Gold Flat Tinsel
Wing	'Dirty' Yellow Bucktail under Yellow / Brown Bucktail 'head hackle'
Flash	Several Mirror Flash / Flashabou / Krystalflash
Head	Sean Stanton Gold Conehead
Hook	#4 - #6 Tube Double.

Guidance Video – Note that this video illustrates techniques, but not the fly pattern

- **Re Tube Construction:** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a_Yeco4vNRQ

Method for Conehead

1. Build Inner & Outer Tube and insert on tube fly needle in vice (watch Davie McPhail video!)
2. Tie on thread to inner and lay down wraps to build up smooth transition to outer tube. Tie off.
3. Tie on thread and Tag to outer tube, superglue, wrap tag, secure, tie off and trim waste.
4. Tie on Rib.
5. Tie on Body tinsel & return thread to head of outer tube.
6. Wrap body mylar tinsel & tie off, trim waste.
7. Wrap Rib and tie off, trim waste.
8. Select small bundle 'dirty yellow' bucktail and align tips
9. Tie on & spread bucktail around body, about 20mm longer than tube to cover hook.
10. Select small bungle yellow brown bucktail & align tips.
11. Tie on & spread bucktail around body as 'head hackle'. About length of body.
12. Tie in some flash
13. Whip finish & tie off thread.
14. Coat head with superglue and slide suitable size conehead onto inner tube, ensure secure.
15. Remove tube fly from needle.
16. Trim inner tube about 1mm from conehead.
17. Carefully melt/burr inner tube with lighter to secure conehead.

Pattern / Material for Tube

Tube	25mm (1 inch) Copper or Brass tube (can be 20mm – 50mm or longer)
Thread	Red 8/0
Tag	Gold Wire.
Rib	Gold Wire

Body	Gold Mylar Tube (or Oval Gold Rib and Flat Gold Tinsel body)
Wing	'Dirty' Yellow Bucktail under Yellow / Brown Bucktail 'head hackle'
Flash	Several Mirror Flash / Flashabou / Krystalflash
Cheeks	Jungle Cock (optional)
Head	Red thread. Superglue and 2 coats varnish.
Hook Sleeve	15mm long 3mm ID Fluoro Orange Silicone
Hook	#4 - #6 Tube Double.
