

## DESIGNATED FLY TYERS for May 15, 2008

### Snook Specials a la Ken Doty and Alan Sewell



Allan Sewell & Ken Doty

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Sewell's (top) & Doty's Snook Specials

See Alan for all the step-by-step details to build his Enrico Puglisi-inspired snook fly. Alan wraps Neer Hair (lots of it!) with white thread. Some flash, of course. The eyes are molded plastic. Then the real artistry begins. How are you with scissors? Trim. Trim. Trim some more. Color with permanent markers. Scissors and coloring. Don't you see, everything we need to know we learned in kindergarten. Not.

"My white snook special starts with a Mustad 2 or equivalent. I use white waxed nylon thread to attach pearl Mylar flash, two white hackle tips, white marabou feathers (lead pencil thickness) tied on in small clumps along the top of the hook shank. Fill it up. Add Mylar film then one more clump of marabou feathers. Trim it up." Ken Doty

## WHY DON'T MORE PEOPLE FLY FISH?

By Capt. Pat Damico

*One of the comments frequently heard when discussing fly fishing with either a group or an individual is represented by the title of this article. "Why don't more people fly fish?" And to me it comes as a genuine surprise that when out fishing our Florida waters, seeing someone using a fly rod is a rarity. Conversely, in the Keys, it is very common sight.*

Even members of our local fly fishing clubs reveal that many primarily use more conventional tackle, and infrequently go to the long rod. There are exceptions of course, but frankly this phenomenon is difficult for me to understand.

In spite of these conclusions, saltwater fly fishing has become the fastest growing segment of our sport. Why? Because frankly -- it's fun!