HOWELL'S STRAWBERRY BLONDE BUGGER



<u>Recipe</u>	
Hook	. Streamer/Nymph, Size 2-10
Thread	. 6/0, Brown
Bead	.Metallic Red Tungsten to match hook size or equivalent
Weight	Lead wire underbody .020 or greater
Rib	. Extra Small Copper Wire
Flash	Pearl Krystal Flash
Tail	. Brown and ginger Marabou
Body	. Yellow and Brown variegated chenille
Hackle	. Barred medium ginger
Head	. Thread

- 1. Start thread on hook shank; be sure bead is all the way forward to the eye. Make a small thread base from mid hook shank to behind bead.
- 2. Make 4-10 turns of .020 lead wire behind the bead. (Note: Use 4 wraps to hold the bead in place add more wraps to achieve a quicker sinking fly.)
- 3. Over wrap the lead wraps with thread to secure them in place. Move thread to rear of hook shank directly above the barb.
- 4. Tie in 4-6 strands of pearl krystal flash hanging to the rear of the hook.
- 5. Take several strands of Ginger and Brown marabou roll them together between thumb and forefinger. Once mixed together tie them marabou in for a tail rolling them around the Krystal flash. Tail should extend back off of the fly for about the length of the hook shank. Clip off excess material.
- 6. Strip off a small amount of chenille to reveal the core of the chenille. Tie in the Core of the chenille at the same point the marabou is tied in.
- 7. At this same location tie in a piece of extra small copper wire. Also tie in one barred medium ginger hackle by the tip end.
- 8. Bring thread forward to the just behind the bead. Wrap chenille forward, tie off and clip off excess.
- 9. Palmer hackle forward to just behind bead. Make 1-2 extra turns of hackle just behind the bead, tie off hackle and clip off excess.
- 10. Counter wrap the wire rib forward to the thread, tie off and clip excess. (Note: This step can be omitted, but it does help build a more durable fly.)

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