



# Fly in my Email Dennis Stead



## Jiglopy (pronounced Jig-Lop-ee)

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I like Lilley's marabou jig hooks with a special uneven slanted head but they are just too heavy to use for fly fishing. So, I thought that if I flatten one side of my jig hook, I would have an unbalance jig hook that might give me some of the same action. I remember what Gary LaFontaine said, if you put more weight on one side of your fly, the fly will be unbalanced and travel through the water as an injured bug or fish. So with a piece of oak hard wood and my hammer, I made one side flat of my TMC403BLJ size 10 1/100. What to call it? I will call it my jiglopy (pronounced **Jig-Lop-ee**) with an Italian accent.



A coat of powder paint will make up the lost. So if I powder paint my 1/100th, and if I made a mold, I will get Jiglopy of 1/100th. So if I powder paint my jiglopy with 3 to 4 coats of powder paint, I will get to the 1/80<sup>th</sup> size. If I powder paint my jiglopy with 5 to 6 coats, I will get to the 1/64<sup>th</sup> size.

I hope I can get a mold made with these three sizes 1/100<sup>th</sup>, 1/80<sup>th</sup>, and 1/64<sup>th</sup>. So with my hammer in my hand I make up 36 jiglopies.

But before I go crazy, I better do a little unsophisticated test. Taking a 10" glass jar and filled it with water.

Then I dropped the standard round headed jig and the jiglopy. The standard round jigs went straight down and landed in a pile.

The jiglopy did not drop straight down went in different directions. Look how they landed in the bottom of the glass jar.

Check out the picture on the bottom left side.

My mold is finished and you and see the three different sizes below. I just need to powder paint and tie my marabou jigs. I wonder what other flies I can do. Maybe you might have some ideas. If so, let me know.

Thanks for reading- Dennis



OK, so I have 1/100 but if I had a size 1/80 and a size 1/64, I would be in business.

I remember what my friend Pappy said, if you are going to make a mold, to get the same size jig, you will have to powder paint it because you lose about 10% of the size making the mold.



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