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I taught my nephew to fly fish and he does rather well for his second season. Anyway, I've decided to give him my Sage 690 RPL for big water trout and small water bass. My altruism will be rewarded though, now I have to purchase a rod to replace it.

I like fast action rods – my favorite overall is a Sage XP. I should have bought one when they were being sold at a discount when being discontinued. I still may be able to locate one. I plan to look at the new Sage Z-axis and the Winston Bllx. My fly shop has both rod lines and I can cast them side by side. What about you Scott fans? I've never cast one. Would the S3 be equivalent to the Sage and Winston? Is it worth traveling to a shop to give it a cast?