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Re: Rod/Reel Show-And-Tell Thread

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Quote:

sight_nymph_17109 wrote:

Afish,

Well, the idea of the TCX & sharkskin line was to be able to throw it a long way giving me a chance to reach more fish. I'll use #12-#20 flies with it. I gets baptism by fire on the D in 3 weeks.

I'll give a report. I got the Z Axis in Sept after reading reviews that it's "super fast". I don't see it. It feels quite soft but still has the backbone to move the line. I lifted a 20 ft cast off the water, took it back once and shot it out to 40+ feet. Performs well but feels soft. I'm very interested in casting those new rods. I played with a TCR once but unless you're casting 60-80 ft, it doesn't feel like it even bends the rod. Probably a good rod for bones or schoolie stripers but too much for trout around here.

Z-Axis is a great rod for in close as well as longer casts, but I agree, it's not real fast. The XP is also great in-close and has more guts in the butt for longer casts. Many Sage guys would agree with this lineup. Sage fast rods, from fastest to less fast (certainly not slow or even mid):

TCR - Wow! I agree, a long range weapon only. Too much for me.

TCX - A tamed down version of the TCR. You can load the rod okay on mid to long casts.

XP - Casts well (very well) long and short. (my favorite)

Z-Axis - Casts well short and mid, not quite the guts for long range casting as the rods above, but an excellent rod for overall fishing.

I'm awaiting your report on your new TCX and the hogs you hook and land on the D. Good luck Sight.