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Re: Farmerdave

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Matt, I haven't actually built any. I rebuild old rods as a hobby. I should say I used to do it as a hobby, but got away from it for about 4 years and plan to start back up. I have not made any blanks which is the heart of rod building. I don't have the equipment or expertise. But to answer your question, normally I don't sell them, but I have sold a couple on ebay in the past. One was just a minor repair, the other was a complete stripdown to the bare blank, and i didn't like the feel. I wouldn't try selling one on this site. Besides, i think it is against the rules or at least it was in the old days.

So far, these have all been lower end production rods that you can pick up for very little. Even the one in the picture was thrown in along when I bought another. I feel they often perform very well. I love the feel of the one in the picture. I've had a couple of them. The reason they were cheap is because they were mass produced. They were just milled, and not hand planed. If you looked at it before refinishing, you would see gaps. It isn't quite as apparent once it is all done. I think it looks pretty good.

There is something about that first fish you catch on an old vintage rod that you have brought back to life after a half century of collecting dust. I can't explain it.