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As I read some of these posts about the Richardson Chest Box it brings some old memories. I remember stopping in Chirp's shop in the early 70's to purchase some of my first fly tying material and just was blown away with the shop. I could never figure out how he ever found anything in there, but when you asked him if he had a particular item he would come right up with it. Some years latter my son and I traveled to Montana to fish the Big Horn River by drift boat with a guide for the day. As we met our guide in the am the guide asked us where we were from and I told him Pennsylvania. Right away he said where is your chest box and I said what do mean. He told me that a lot of fly fisherman all from Pa wear those box's on there chest when they come here to fish. I just started to laugh and thought wow the Richardson Box has become synonymous with the guides out west. The guide did tell me that the guides out there thought the box's were a great idea. And sad to say that I don't own one. From my understanding from FlyFisher's there is a big back order on the box's now.