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I am a big Ross Reels fan but recently got a great deal on an LLBean Orion #4. \$25 for the reel and I've pick up spools over the past few months for 1/2 that. Works great for most of my fishing, especially from the kayak.

Unfortunately, I did not make sure the spool "clicked" onto the spindle. I was fishing the Point Pleasant canal at midnight during an epic cinderworm hatch and on the second false cast, the spool went flying into the canal, never to be seen again. Had to to kiss the spool goodbye but was able to salvage the line. If that had been a spool for one of my Ross reels, I would've been pi\$\$ed!

Another inexpensive reel that has done well for me, is the SA System 1 #456. It's a clicker reel and after 15 years, it still works flawlessly.