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Re: The Elitist Fly Fisherman....Reality or Myth?

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Why do you assume that we're making references to all spin fishermen by taking jabs at the guys who go out one day a year, sit on a lawn chair at a bridge where they dump in buckets of fish 2 weeks prior, fill their coolers, then walk around saying, "I'm a fisherman!"?

There are no doubt many respectable spin fishermen and bait fishermen (bait fishing is a lost art, I think. In my dad's generation, he would tell me about guys who used bait and would really work the stuff-no power bait, no bobbers, but really present it as live food).

Slobs are what we usually take stabs at. The blue stringer time? That came from Becker seeing a WILD TROUT in one of the streams he fishes w/ a stringer hanging out of it. A blue stringer. That is just careless. If you want to keep fish, at least knock them out, don't shove a metal bar through their mouth or gills, and string them on a rope, only to have the rope come undone and that fish have to deal w/ that crap hanging out of its mouth.

I do admit, there is a sense of elitism. I'm guilty of it, but I think, again, its from the truck chasers. One of my favorite local streams has a lot of natives. It also happens to be an ATW. So when I go there and I see people sittin' on lawn chairs hauling out stocked bows, that's all well and good, but I do view those people as "different" than say, the fisherman I meet 3 miles up a small mountain stream-whether that fisherman is spin fishing or FFing.