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I guess I should better explain: Let's ask a few simple questions:

1. Do you own multiple fly rods?
2. Are several of them the same weight?
3. Which ones do you use the most?

If you answered yes to 1 and 2 of these questions and have a preference, then possibly the answer is the balance of the rods and reels are not set up properly. To top heavy or to bottom heavy will make other rods and reels look much better and more affordable.

For me, what happened is I own 4 flyrods in the same 5/6 wt range. Only one did I purchase through a respectful dealer (Orvis) who set it up with proper amount of backing. The other setupsyou guessed it, I set them up myself and put the backing on. My 2 St Croix Flyrods from Dicks sporting goods sit in their sleeves and have not been used in over 5 years.

The rods and reels I use the most are the ones that were properly set up by a respectful dealer. And they are much better balanced than the ones I put together that's for sure.

So with that mouthful said, please go back through your collection of rod's and reels and see if what I'm saying makes sense.