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I took the rod out yesterday to see how it cast. I put a 7 weight line on it since the line it had was in bad shape. I'm not sure what casting a bamboo rod is supposed to look like, but my loops were pretty wide. I'm thinking maybe the 7 weight line I put on it was a little heavy for the rod.

The rod itself was super heavy! Nothing like casting a graphite rod. I feel like I really had to slow down my casting stroke. Didn't care for the automatic reel much... Kind of a pain to use, and no adjustable drag.

I did catch a 10 inch trout on it. Also hooked another fish, which I'm assuming was a large stocked trout. I was really more focused on the rod when he took, so didn't really get much of a hook set. It ran downstream and then spit the hook. Lol. Oh well.

@sandfly: I'm planning to send you the line. It'll probably take me a while though. Need to find time to get to the post office. I don't know the first thing about the line. Not sure if it's silk or nylon, and even if it was silk I can't see myself taking the time to restore it.