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Topic: : The "Troutiest" of rods?

Re: The "Troutiest" of rods?

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Quote:

shortrod wrote:

So, in short, the rod makers are playing games with the line weight ratings, but only because the market told them to.

This is exactly the problem. Lines fell right into place because with your new rods you suddenly required new lines, because a rod that let you belt out 70' casts with ease wasn't remotely useful at 20' ranges with the appropriately rated lines.

So, the out of spec line was created where we call a 160 grain weight line a 4 even though by the established standards its a 6.

Everyone wins, because now manufacturers are colluding on a technology blitz where you have to spend more.

That said, I think this trend is starting to turn, now.

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shortrod wrote:

Fiberglass and cane are niche markets which have not suffered as much from this phenomenon.

Fiberglass has its own distinct form of idiocy, which is directly inverse to what's happening with graphite.

There, people are so obsessed with having the slowest rod on the planet, they will consistently demand that rods be overlined so as they load as deeply as possible.

I suspect bamboo aficionados have a brand of idiot unique to them, too.