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I took the nephew out last Sunday morning. I thought a trico hatch would be a sight for him to see. Up to this point, we've kept 95% of the fishing sub-surface with an indi. I started him out with a pair of trico spinners and a split shot. I thought he'd clean up on sunken spinners. I was wrong. He took a few rock bass and smallmouths. After tying / re-tying his nymph rig 3-4 times, I asked if he'd be interested in trying to catch them on dries. "Sure" was his response. I put on a CDC caddis emerger so it was easy for him to see and then dangled a trico off the back of it. I walked back over to the fish I was after. When I turned to see if he was doing OK, I was amazed. He's tossing 35-40' casts with a nice loop. He was throwing it too far and getting a 2' drift before it started dragging. I jumped back down, whe shortened things up and targeted specific fish rather than blind casting. A soon as he did that, fish on! I think he took 5-6 on top. I don't impress easily but he impressed me. Ed and Fox, you need him to help with the newbie jam next spring, let me know. LMAO


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