

2008 Harold Demarest 2nd Annual Rodmakers Challenge

Entry Date: All rods must be received by Friday, September 5, 2008 12 Noon
Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum
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Entry Fee: Catskill Rodmakers Gathering Registered Participants or CFFCM members-FREE
All others \$20

2008 Rod Making Challenge Specifications:

Bamboo rod is to be made to cast a **6 Weight Forward fly line**
Competition line will be Cortland 444SL

Maximum weight: 3.65 ounce

Rod must have fully functional reel seat to accommodate standard reel

The Challenge is to make a complete rod that will cast the furthest distance of the supplied Cortland WF6 line. Rods will be casted by an independent panel of casters selecting the top rods for finals. Finalists in casting competition will determine Winning rod by total average distance achieved and recorded by all casters.

Winning rodmaker will receive Harold Demarest Rodmakers Medallion and a grand prize personally engraved Hardy Reel donated by Cortland Line Company and winners name affixed to The Permanent Harold Demarest Challenge Plaque in Museum.

Rodmakers Casting Challenge. Contestants will be required to cast a variety of committee selected bamboo rods. Each rod will be cast 3 times. A cast consists of three false casts and one final release. Longest distance for each rod will be recorded. Qualifying casters will be determined by average casting distance on Saturday, September 6. Casting finals will be held on Sunday, September 7 at 12:30PM. Casting finalists will cast qualifying rods for overall average of individual rod, which will ultimately determine the Winning rod. Champion Caster will be determined by combined total average casted distance

Please note: Rodmakers qualifying for Casting Challenge finals will not be allowed to participate in casting challenge if their rod was selected in finals. Qualifying Rodmaker will accept honorable mention in casting competition and remaining casting finalists will determine winning rod.

The Harold Demarest Rodmaking and Rod Casting Challenges are co-sponsored in part by Cortland Line Company.