

Rodmaker's Gallery 2017

Larry Tusoni, Angel's Camp, CA

Larry Tusoni is a second generation rodmaker who specializes in Penta Rods. He is the host of the Eastern Sierra Rod Makers Gathering. Over the years, he has contributed immensely to the craft of Bamboo Rodmaking unselfishly and enthusiastically. He is known to most for now hosting the Rodmakers List server after it lost its former home. This list server has been a key component in Bamboo Rodmakers sharing information. Larry has done this freely. However his greatest and unselfish contribution to the craft of bamboo rodmaking was his creation of RodDNA software. He has freely shared this application and made it so it would play on multiple platforms. In addition after attendance at the European Rodmakers Gathering, he incorporated both English and Metric capability. In creating this software, he corrected some fundamental errors in previous software programs, increased its effectiveness and overall utility beyond any other formerly used software by adding completely new capabilities for rodmakers to look at, modify and display tapers. There are over 600 tapers in his database. He has extended this work into an advanced software tool called RodDNA designer and its accompanying book for those who wish to explore real taper design.