

Outdoor Canada's 2009 Fishing Issue  
 The NRS GigBob Awarded a "Best New Gear" Award  
 In the Personal Watercraft Category



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### Best Chest Pack CURRENT

The Current chest pack is part of William Joseph's new MAG series, featuring rare earth magnet closures on the pockets instead of zippers. This makes the weight pockets easy to open with one hand. Plus, they never jam or freeze shut. The Current's large central pocket is roomy enough to hold several fly boxes, and it even folds down to provide a workstation. There are also three smaller side pockets, perfect for holding accessories. *William Joseph, 1-800-268-1672; www.williamjoseph.net*

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### Best Reel SPOKE LARGE ARBOR REEL

A long-time maker of reliable fly reels, Galvan has added the Spoke Large Arbor Reel to its impressive lineup. The new reel's spoke design reduces weight, yet maintains strength and durability. And the smooth composition disc drag is sure to stop any fish, while a clever drag knob provides precise settings. The Spoke easily changes from right- to left-hand retrieve, and there are five models to accommodate lines from 2 to 8 weight. *Galvan Fly Reels, 603-588-2672; www.galvanflyreels.com*