

# Rapid Magazine's Spring '09 Issue Review of the Flux Drytop



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## SPRING IN THE NEW GEAR

STAY DRY, LIGHT, SHARP, GROUNDED AND GREEN THIS SEASON by Virginia Kneidel



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**KEEN**  
**CIMARRON**  
[www.keen.com](http://www.keen.com)  
**\$120 US**

The newest eggs in Keen's waterproof lineup borrow style to fit from the shoe that started it all, the Keen Newport LV. But the open design of the Newport, which grants all manner of small rocks and pebbles to work their way under your feet, the Cimarron features a built-in mesh underfoot that'll see water and keep out the pebbles. With a style look comparable to and bombproof traction on the wet and slippery, the only thing you'll miss is the detective legend of Newport wearers.

**FACELEADER**  
**FLYER**  
[www.faceleader.com](http://www.faceleader.com)  
**\$250 US**

Going green is easy with the Flyer, a featherweight take (about that, you'll need to be sure) on the classic fly fishing reel. It's got a quick-release reel hub mount, and adjustable line for loads up to 15-foot trials for versatile, convenient situations. Of course, you'll miss those nicely designed carpools that let you, and you'll probably have to leave a bit early to compensate for your lady transportation, but one of the steep thighs and carbon-neutral frame.