Just talked to Chris Williamson at Laguna Rods today. He informed me about a new line of rods they have recently introduced. The *Laguna Liquid Series* line includes seven models (5 casting, 2 spinning), ranging from 6' 6" to 7' 6" in length. All are built on Multi Modulus Laguna Graphite blanks with black matte finish. Riding on them are Alps SS316 Stainless Steel Guides, made from extremely corrosion resistant stainless steel, with recessed ring design to keep inserts from popping out. They have gun smoke machined-aluminum winding checks, and guide wraps colored metallic gunmetal gray with metallic silver accent. For attaching reels, the rods have Alps graphite/nylon reel seats. At the angler-end, each rod has a split-grip handle made of Grade A cork, and all rods come complete with marks at 15, 20, 25, 28 and 30 inches to use when measuring fish.

As with their custom rods, the guys at Laguna placed a high premium on quality of construction and lightweight, durable design when creating the plans for the new *Liquid Series* rods. Chris told me he has "already placed about 1,000 of them into the market, and has yet to see one come back to the shop for repairs." I look forward to testing one of more of these new tools. Of major interest to some of you will be the retail price--\$159.99. Currently, Roy's Bait and Tackle in Corpus Christi carries the full line.

For more information on the new line of rods, and/or the custom rods offered by Laguna Rods, call the shop at 281 665 1300 or visit LagunaRods.com. The page dedicated to the *Liquid Series* should be up and running in the very near future.