

Correctly identifying the 'Trio' reels

The "TRIO" reels.

These reels were erroneously attributed to the company Zangi (Turin), after extensive research ended January the 15 th, 2013 I was able to reconstruct the true history thanks to what is described by Mr. *Emanuele Pracchi* who is the son of a founding member

The **first version** of TRIO was born in 1945 and produced by the workshops PRC - CORSICO MILAN.

This reel is born from the passion for fishing of the three founding members, Mr. *Roer Mario*, Mr. *Carniti Settimio*, Mr. *Baldassarre Pracchi*.

The mechanics of the reel are constituted from steel helical gears that allow a rotation ratio of 3,1:1, the handle is of folding type.

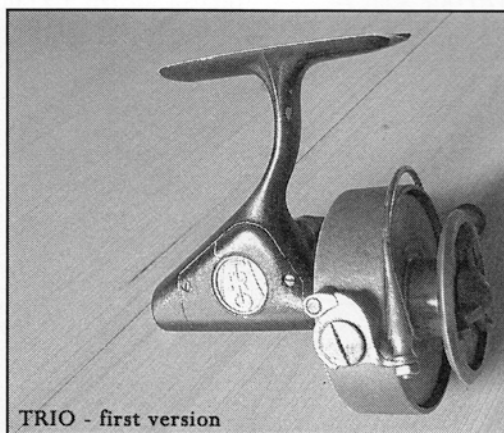
Small differences between the various models relate to the size of the foot, the lever anti-return, the side cover and the anodizing tone.

The logo is embossed on the side cover, the writing is not easy to read because the various letters are superimposed.

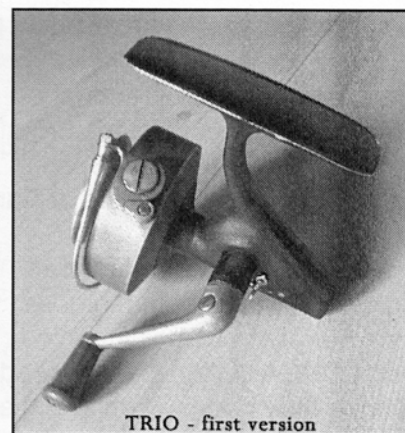
The **second model** was designed in 1946 and marketed from 1947 to 1953.

As images shown, the II° version is larger and have more squared body.

Helical gears are scaled better and allow a recovery ratio slightly faster. The anti-return is controlled by a small ring placed laterally.



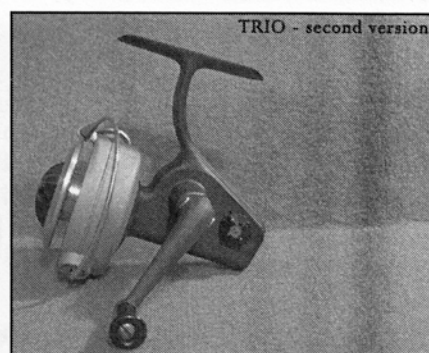
TRIO - first version



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TRIO - second version



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The handle, although apparently similar to the previous version, is better dimensioned.

The logo "TRIO" is clearly legible and circumscribed by a circle in relief; the side cover is fixed to the body by only one screw positioned centrally on the side cover.

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The link of my article published in Italy on the site ANTIPES - (National Association of Italian Old Fishing Equipment): http://www.antipes.it/ulteriori_mulinelli_Trio_I_II_versione.html