GARY BROWN'S FRESHWATER BAIT FISHING RIGS

HOW TO RIG CRICKETS & GRASSHOPPERS

Surface feeding fish like bass, estuary perch, trout, Atlantic salmon, jungle perch, archer fish and even bream will take a cricket or grasshopper that has just landed on the water and is struggling to get out. Other native fish species like silver and golden perch and Murray cod are known to like a feed of crickets and grasshoppers.

In the three figures shown you will see that the hook is placed so that the cricket or grasshopper remains alive. In saying this, the cricket or grasshopper can also be extremely effective when rigged behind a set of Cowbells or Ford Fenders on a lead line or down rigger.

Crickets or grasshoppers are also extremely effective when rigged below a float and either allowed to drift down a stream or river. They can also be fished unweighted or with a very small piece of split shot.

