



South West Sports Centre centre manager Cameron Woods is expecting a bumper crowd for the South West Sports Centre's Community Open Day on Sunday. PICTURE: NORMAN BAILEY

Chance to try before you buy at Sports Centre

THE premier sport and recreation facility in the South West will open its doors for free to the public this Sunday.

The South West Sports Centre's Community Open Day will showcase the facilities and services offered by the region's biggest leisure centre.

One of the highlights will be the South West Sports Academy's AFL, Hockey and Soccer coaching clinics, with teams of under 8s, under 9s and under 11s demonstrating their skills through coaching drills and games.

There will also be a State water polo

exhibition match held in the 50m olympic pool from 10am.

South West Sports Academy chief executive officer Bernice Butlion said the open day would be a great opportunity for the general public to come and see some of the region's finest young sport stars in action.

"The Academy coaches will be putting them through their paces and hopefully they will be able to inspire other youngsters to pursue their love of sport," Mrs Butlion said.

Held annually, the South West Sports Centre's GWN Community

Open Day provides free entertainment for the whole family.

Centre manager Cameron Woods said the day was a huge community event that gave people the chance to see what the centre could offer and encouraged people to take up memberships.

"It's a great opportunity for people who have never been to the centre recently to come and try these fantastic facilities before committing to a membership," Mr Woods said.

"We have 2500 active members,

which is up 430 from the end of last financial year."

Mr Woods said this year's Community Open Day would include more kid-friendly activities including a bouncy castle, showbags, climbing wall, face-painting and animal farm.

"There will also be appearances by West Coast Eagles players as well as a monster prize draw with more than \$3000 worth of prizes to be won — and best of all it doesn't cost anything," Mr Woods said.

The South West Sports Centre Community Open Day is on Sunday from 10am until 2pm.