

Free fishing taster sessions on this weekend

The popular Let's Fish! introduction to coarse fishing programme for children and adults is on on this weekend at Strathclyde Country Park and it is linked to the Celtic Cup Home International against Wales and Ireland.

The match is on Saturday, October 12, and Sunday, October 13, when the Tartan Team will attempt to retain the silverware, but Scotland coarse fishing bosses will also be hosting angling taster sessions and information clinics at the same venue.

They are based at Car Park 2, just up past the park's water sports centre headquarters and Gus Brindle, the organiser and Scotland's team manager, said: "You can book a session with our fully-qualified and licensed coaching team who will be able to answer all of your questions and, perhaps, even catch you your first fish.

"The sessions are 50 minutes long and are tailored to the needs of participants. What's more, they aren't just for children.

"Whether you are a complete novice just looking to try fishing for the first time, someone coming back into the sport after a

break, or an experienced angling just looking for some advice or guidance, these sessions can meet your needs.

“The sessions will also cover the safe and correct use of disgorgers to unhook and return fish to the water.”

Brindle said parents are more than welcome to sit in on these sessions so that they can learn together and he said: “This makes this a great activity for the family.”

Sessions start at 10am and end at 4.50pm and can be booked through the JustGo Membership system.

PICTURE: Gus Brindle teaching a youngster how to unhook a fish at a Lets Fish! session at Falkirk on the Forth and Clyde Canal. Picture ***Nigel Duncan***