

## Tipperary is Official Water of Cork City Marathon

PICTURED at the launch of the Cork City Marathon are (l-r): Marie Cooney, Director, Tipperary Water; with Miss Cork 2008, Jean Kenny, and Kieran Cotter, RSM, Gleeson Group, Cork. Runners in the Cork City Marathon had an added spring in their steps this year, as Tipperary Water was the Official Mineral Water Supplier for the June Bank Holiday Event, which saw over 8,000 runners taking part in the the race, consuming a massive 80,000 litres of water in the process.



## Barry Group Named Stonehouse Depot of the Year

BARRY Group has been awarded the Stonehouse Depot of the Year Award 2008. This is the fifth time that the company has received this significant award. "This is a fantastic achievement for the company and our excellent team," noted Jim Barry, Chief Executive, Barry Group. "We operate to strict guidelines to ensure that high standards are met and maintained and this award is further recognition of our hard work and commitment to excellence."

Barry Group operates from a 125,000 square feet state-of-the-art central distribution centre in Mallow, and employs in excess of 230 staff, as well as operating the Costcutter and Quik Pick brands in Ireland. Pictured are (l-r): Tom Shipsey, Chief Executive, Stonehouse, and Niall Hartnett, Head of Operations and Human Resources, Barry Group.



## Gala Increases Camogie Commitment

AT the launch of this year's Gala All-Ireland Camogie Championships, Gala announced it's to sponsor the Gala All-Ireland Championships (inclusive of the Senior, Intermediate and Junior championships) for a further three years. This secures the partnership until the end of the 2010 Championships. The six-figure sum further reinforces Gala's commitment to one of Ireland's most indigenous Irish female sports and is reflective of how successful the association has been for the Group. Pictured at the announcement are President of the Camogie Association, Liz Howard, with Gary Desmond, CEO, Gala; Derry captain Claire O'Kane (left) and Wexford captain, Mary Lacey.



## Centra Tops Hygiene Awards

THE highest ever number of National Hygiene Award presentations to a single organisation, 340, were presented to Centra retailers by Tony Killeen TD, Minister of State at the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, at an awards ceremony in the Radisson SAS Hotel, Galway, recently. In addition, 20 Centra stores also received the Supreme Hygiene Award, which identifies and rewards retailers that have consistently performed well, based on the accumulated total of Excellence Ireland audit scores, over the past three years. Kilmartin's N6 Centra, Athlone was also awarded the title of Ireland's Cleanest Foodstore in the small retailer category by the Excellence Ireland Quality Association (EIQA.)

Pictured are Declan Mahon, Centra Council member, and Donal Horgan, Managing Director, Centra, who also announced Centra's plans to further invest €750,000 on its hygiene programme and on monitoring stores.



## Superquinn Shoppers Raise €75,000 for Temple Street

THANK to the generosity of Superquinn's chocolate loving shoppers, Superquinn and Lindt chocolates presented a cheque for €75,000 to Temple Street Children's University Hospital. Over two weeks before Easter, Superquinn customers purchased more than 75,000 mini Lindt Gold Bunnies to raise much needed funds for the hospital. Pictured at the Superquinn store in Sundrive are (l-r): Denise Fitzgerald of Temple Street Children's University Hospital being presented with a cheque for €75,000 by Anthony Cameron, Lindt Country Manager, and Simon Burke, Chief Executive of Superquinn.



## Centra Childline Big BBQ

THE Centra Childline Big BBQ was launched at a fun-packed event in Dublin recently. This event kicked off a month long campaign aimed at encouraging people all over Ireland to host a BBQ and raise much needed funds for Childline during June. Part of a three year programme of events, Centra, its retailers and customers are aiming to raise funds to support Childline's primary goal of answering every call it receives from children and young people all over Ireland in distress. Pictured are Donal Horgan, Managing Director, Centra; Lorraine Keane, Xpose Presenter, TV3; Martin King, TV3 Weatherman; and Ashley Balbirnie, CEO, ISPPC.



## Lucozade Sport Head2Head Roadshow

THE Lucozade Sport Head2Head roadshow will visit sports clubs all across the country this summer, giving the ordinary punter the opportunity to be test their core skills and benchmark their results against some of Ireland's leading sports stars, including Colm 'The Gooch' Cooper, Damien Duff, Cora Staunton and Eoin Kelly (all pictured). Speaking about Head2Head, Ronan McClafferty, Lucozade Sport, said, "Lucozade Sport Head2Head has been developed to provide all sportspeople with a true test of their core skills." See [www.lucozadesport.ie](http://www.lucozadesport.ie) for more details.

## The Taste of Ulster

PICTURED is celebrity Chef Paul Rankin, Nick Price (Owner of Nick's Warehouse and Taste Of Ulster Chairman) along with Michael Bell,



Executive Director of Taste Of Ulster. Speaking at the Taste of Ulster Forum 2008, Paul Rankin called on the Northern Ireland food industry to have more confidence and be proud of its culinary heritage. The Taste of Ulster Forum 2008, sponsored by Deep RiverRock and Henderson Foodservice, hosted talks from Taste of Ulster Chairman Nick Price, Taste of Ulster Executive Director Michael Bell, celebrity chef Paul Rankin and Emmet McCorry of Coca-Cola. There was also a chance for attendees to take part in a workshop and sample local produce at the special exhibition.

## Anyone For Tennis?

CELEBRITY mum and model Vivienne Connolly partnered up with her son Ben Dunne (4) netting themselves game, set and match as they lined out on the courts at Fitzwilliam Lawn Tennis Club, Dublin, to try out for the upcoming nationwide 2008 KitKat Parks Tennis Leagues which will be registering soon. Now in its 31st year, the KitKat Parks Tennis Leagues will be taking place in over 160 venues throughout the country over the summer months, and are expected to attract over 30,000 boys and girls. See [www.parkstennis.com](http://www.parkstennis.com) for more details.

