



Domino's Pizza NEWS

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SCOTLAND'S FASTEST PIZZA MAKERS ARE CROWNED

Months of dough stretching and saucing skills have been put to the ultimate test by expert pizza makers Domino's Pizza. Cheese flew and dough was pounded as the crème de la crème from the world of pizza flocked to Livingston for the Scottish heat of 'Order Up' – Domino's annual fastest pizza making competition.

Edinburgh's Dalry Road store beat off six other teams from across the country to be crowned Scottish Champions by creating seven pizzas, four medium and three large from scratch with a selection of pre determined toppings, in just 2 minutes 37 seconds. They are now heading to Liverpool on 27 April 2009 for the UK final where they will face the top seven fastest pizza making teams from throughout the British Isles.

The competition marks a year's worth of intense training and results in an incredibly intense event. The atmosphere at the heat was electric as last year's individual winner, Cat Mein, entered in a team of two and was hoping to snare the Scottish title that puts the winners in with a chance of going to Las Vegas for the global final.

The winning team, Steve Hush, Lukasz Jarzabek and Graham Boag has 12 years combined experience. Steve Hush said: "We are thrilled to be crowned Scottish champions. Making the perfect pizza is not as easy as it might seem - at the competition we are all judged on speed, stretching, saucing, cheesing and toppings and it's our job to do it with perfection every time. We've all been practicing frantically for months now as only elite stores are invited to participate - those that get 75% of their orders out the door* in less than 15 minutes but our hard work has definitely paid off."

Lukasz Jarzabek added: "We can't wait to get down to Liverpool for the final. This is an amazing achievement for our store and we just hope we can keep our cool in order to be crowned the UK Champions. Until then we will be practising day and night."

Simon Judge, franchise consultant at Domino's Pizza, who was part of the judging panel that saw team Dalry take the title said: "This year's competition was even more exciting in its new team format. The team from Edinburgh's Dalry store worked exceptionally well together and were definitely the deserving team on the day. The skill and stamina required to make and top seven perfect pizzas in under three minutes is unbelievable."

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*Out the door – each store works towards the company goal of making, topping and baking a pizza to be ready to leave the store in 15 minutes.