

## -Sports & Radio Stars help Launch Local Youth Awards

A host of local celebrities gathered yesterday at the Liberty Stadium, Swansea to launch nominations for the 2008 Swansea Bay Young Achiever Awards, sponsored by gas distribution company Wales & West Utilities.

Attending the event to kick off proceedings were Osprey Players Marty Holah and Hale Tplo, and Badger & Emma from 96.4FM The Wave's Breakfast Show.

The Awards present a unique opportunity to celebrate and reward the achievements of young people and recognise the contribution they make to their communities through business, training, education and voluntary work.

Categories include Business, World of Work, Community, Young Enterprise Company and new for 2008, The Food Champion Award.

Short listed finalists from these categories will attend a celebration evening to receive their awards and to find out who has won the overall title of 'Swansea Bay Young Achiever of the Year 2008'.

The awards evening will be hosted by Badger & Emma from 96.4FM The Wave, on Friday 13th June 2008 at the Margam Orangery, Port Talbot.

Entries are invited from young people between the ages of 14-30 (as at 13th June 2008), who live, work or run a business within the Swansea Bay area, i.e. Swansea, Neath Port Talbot and Carmarthenshire.

Graham Edwards, Chief Executive for Wales & West Utilities, the event's main sponsors, commented at the launch 'This is a fantastic way for us to launch the nominations for an Awards event which highlights the efforts of young people in the community. This is our second year as main sponsors and, with the exciting addition of an overall Awards Winner for 2008, it will be an even more thrilling climax to the presentation evening.'

To reserve a table or seat or to get a nomination form (Downloadable here) contact the event contact Sarah Toomey, Bay in Business Events Co-ordinator, on 01792 545066 or visit [www.thebayinbusiness.com](http://www.thebayinbusiness.com) to download a nomination form.

### notes

1. The Awards take place on Friday 13th June at Margam Orangery, Port Talbot.
2. Tickets for the dinner & awards are available on a first come first serve basis at £10each. To make a booking contact Sarah Toomey on 01792 545066 / [sarah.toomey@swansea.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.toomey@swansea.gov.uk)
3. Nominations Close on 11th April 2008
4. Entries close on 28th April 2008