

Chilli for February in Edinburgh!

✘ Edinburgh's first Mexican restaurant, Tex Mex 2, is holding what is believed to be Scotland's first chilli eating competition.

The event is taking place on Wednesday 9 February, starting at 4.30pm and finishing at 6.30, when the winner will be declared.

Donald Mavor, owner and head chef, said: "Last year I started a new Tex Mex 2 tradition, of holding charity events at the restaurant on my birthday. The 2010 event, which raised money for both Macmillan Cancer Support and the earthquake in Haiti, was a great success.

"We're hoping to raise even more money this year, this time for Radio Forth's "Cash for Kids" charity."

It costs £5 to attend the event, all of which will be donated to the charity. Both participants and spectators are welcome to attend and will enjoy the Mexican hospitality that [Tex Mex](#) is famous for, in the form of delicious Mexican tapas and frozen margaritas.

Participants will eat a selection of the hottest chillis and chilli sauces available. Ice cold water and milk will be supplied to help competitors through the challenge, which offers a covetable prize, as Donald explains:

"The last man (or woman) standing will be our Chilli Champion and will win 'bragging rights', a trophy, dinner for two at Tex Mex 2, along with a supply of our home made Fat Donny's hot chilli sauce and a bottle of tequila."

Tex Mex 2 is at 64 Thistle Street, Edinburgh (0131 260 9699)