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Sainsbury's Winner

Sainsbury's has announced its 2009 Driver of the Year as Ernie McMillan. Ernie has been driving trucks for 22 years and beat off nearly 600 other drivers to claim the title.

The prize was a double whammy – a weekend away with a Mercedes SLK Class sports car (oh, and a luxury hotel stay with the missus) and a new truck in which to make his deliveries for a year: the Mercedes Axor X.

The competition was an action-packed day of truck manoeuvring tests. It also included a skid-control test and a 4x4 circuit.

The Axor X has Bluetooth enabled stereo and an electric sunroof. Ernie says: "I still can't quite believe it". He adds: "The Axor X is a really nice drive, very spacious and comfortable; it's also a real head-turner".

Nigel Hough, Sainsbury's Logistics Communications & Programme Manager, says: "Our drivers are right up there with the best in the industry, they are also our ambassadors out on the road, so it's only appropriate that their contribution is recognised".

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