



# News

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## **Cheers! Ardrossan Landlady Toasts £144k Lotto Win**

The drinks were on the house last Saturday night (30 July) after the landlady of an Ardrossan pub matched five numbers and the bonus ball to win £144,531 on Lotto.

Yvonne McClure (43) and her partner Niven Benson (48), who run the Castlehill Vaults in Ardrossan, are over the moon about the win. The couple are not planning to put their feet up though and were back behind the bar today pulling pints for their regulars. They have been working hard to establish themselves after taking over the pub lease last year – and now want to expand their business by installing a new pub kitchen and introducing food for future customers.

Yvonne explained: “I was driving to the pub on Saturday night and just caught the draw result on the car radio. I missed the bonus ball number and thought we’d matched five, which was quite exciting. As soon as I got to the bar I checked Teletext. I let out a scream when I realised we had the bonus ball as well. We had a free bar until we closed and bought drinks for all our regulars and staff on Sunday. We’ll have a proper staff celebration next week too.”

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Yvonne, who is originally from Paisley, reckons that the win could not have come at a better time. She added: “The first year in a new business is always hard, but we love it here. Now we are delighted that we can invest in the bar for the future.”

Yvonne and Niven, who live in Glengarnock and have four children, as well as two grandchildren aged eight and five, will also be having a bit of fun and plan to take their two younger daughters to Florida – but not until their barmaid has her holiday first.

Yvonne's winning numbers were based on her parents' birthdays and she has been playing the same ones since The National Lottery<sup>®</sup> began. She bought the winning ticket at Tesco at Bridgend, Kilbirnie, where one of her daughters works serving National Lottery customers (although she was on holiday when Yvonne bought the winning ticket). The winning Lotto numbers on Saturday 30 July 2005 were: 03, 09, 13, 35, 43, 45 and bonus ball: 08. Yvonne matched all of these except 35.

Tomorrow (Wednesday 3 August) there is an estimated £8.5 million Rollover jackpot on Lotto, and an estimated £5.1 million jackpot on Lotto Extra.

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