



# News

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## Just What The Doctor Ordered!

### *Lotto Win is the Right Prescription for Nevill Hall Hospital Syndicate*

A syndicate of workmates from an Abergavenny hospital received the perfect tonic last weekend – a Lotto cash injection of £113,929.

The six-strong syndicate is made up of a group of maintenance men and their office secretary, who are all employed in the works unit at Nevill Hall Hospital in Brecon Road, Abergavenny. They matched five main numbers and the bonus ball in last Saturday's Lotto draw (20 August 2005).

Father-of-two and syndicate organiser Stuart Andrews (42), of Tredegar, bought the winning ticket at the Morrisons supermarket in Beaufort Road, Ebbw Vale, a week ago. However, it was syndicate newcomer Jackie Sheppard (40), of Abergavenny, secretary to the hospital's works manager, who first realised the friends had won as she watched their numbers come up live on last Saturday night's National Lottery TV show.

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"I knew something was up when Jackie rang me," said maintenance fitter Stuart. "Her voice was shaking as she said she thought we had matched five numbers and the bonus ball and she was right. She was in such a state I had to ring the other four to give them the good news.

"I couldn't really celebrate on Saturday night because I was on call at work, but we all made up for it last night," added Stuart, whose wife, Alison (42) is a hospital nurse. "We hired a stretch limousine and went to a pub in Abergavenny for a few drinks. It may not be a life-changing win for any of us, but it's certainly enough to make things a lot more comfortable for us all. It's what I'd call a very good night's work!"

When it comes to spending his share of the winnings, motorcycle-mad Stuart knows exactly what is going on the top of his shopping list: "I've really got my eye on a beautiful classic bike," he explained. "I've always fancied owning a Harley Davidson."

The hospital syndicate has been playing Lotto for about six years, sticking faithfully to their original numbers chosen at random. The winning numbers on Saturday 20 August were: 7, 11, 12, 20, 38, 44, and the bonus ball: 45.

The other four members of the winning syndicate are: maintenance fitter, Howell Lavis (59), of Beaufort, Ebbw Vale; maintenance assistant, David Williams (45), of Abergavenny; supervisor, Jamie Caulfield (25), of Rogerstone, Newport; and maintenance assistant Gil Cooper, also from Abergavenny.

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Tonight (Wednesday 24 August 2005) there is an estimated £2.9 million jackpot available to win on Lotto and a further £6.6 million estimated jackpot up for grabs on Lotto Extra – while this Friday's (26 August) EuroMillions jackpot is an estimated £30 million.

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