



# News

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## **Four Million Reasons Not To Miss Out On A Whole 'Lotto' Celebrations This Christmas**

A lucky winner from Chelmsford could be caroling with joy if only they come forward to claim a Lotto jackpot prize worth a fantastic £4,462,150.

The mystery ticket-holder matched all six numbers in the draw held on Saturday 26 November 2005. The winning Lotto numbers on 26 November were 19, 27, 28, 34, 39 and 46. The mystery ticket-holder has until 5.30pm on 25 May 2006 to make their claim.

If they come forward in time, the lucky ticket-holder could soon be joining Essex's most recent Lotto winners – a syndicate of 16 from the Queen's Head in Boreham, which matched five numbers and the bonus ball to win £56,921 in the 26 November draw, and jackpot winner Jeremy Blake, who won £815,430 in the draw held on 2 December 2005.

If no-one comes forward with the winning ticket before the deadline, then the prize money plus the interest it has generated will go to the Good Causes – adding to the £17 billion already raised through sales of lottery tickets over the last 11 years.

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It could also be an extra special Christmas and a Happy New Year for someone this year as The National Lottery<sup>®</sup> is giving players you the chance to win a Christmas present to really remember with a Lotto Superdraw on Christmas Eve. With a guaranteed £15 million jackpot available to win, that is 15 million extra reasons to celebrate in real style – imagine waking up a multi-millionaire on Christmas morning.

A Camelot spokesperson, said: “Essex seems to be having a very lucky streak at the moment, which is why we are really keen to find the latest winner. We are urging everyone to check through their paperwork really carefully. With only days to go until Christmas, somebody could be having some extra special celebrations this year.”

To jog Lotto players’ memories, on 26 November 2005, *Flightplan*, starring Jodie Foster and Sean Bean had just opened at the cinema, while Madonna was topping the charts with *Hung Up*. Closer to home, Chelmsford hockey fans were enjoying a thrilling match with local rivals Old Loughtonians who went on to win 5-4 – while at Essex University, the English Union Public Speaking Competition was being held.

With all National Lottery draws, players have 180 days from the day of the draw to claim their win if they have the winning ticket. Anyone who believes they have the winning ticket for any of the National Lottery draws within the 180-day deadline should call the **National Lottery Line** on **0845 910 0000**.

Anyone concerned about lost or unchecked tickets may like to consider setting up a National Lottery Subscription, playing Lotto Online, via their mobile phone, or using the Sky Active service on digital TV.

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Numbers can be entered in advance and lucky winners automatically receive a cheque or are notified online if their numbers come up. For further information call 0845 912 5000 or visit [www.national-lottery.co.uk](http://www.national-lottery.co.uk).

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- To date, over £17 billion has been raised for Good Causes by The National Lottery, and more than 200,000 individual awards have been made across the UK – the biggest programme of civic and social regeneration since the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. The National Lottery has given away £26 billion in prizes and created more than 1,800 millionaires or multi-millionaires since launch in 1994
- Camelot runs one of the most cost-efficient lotteries in the world, with around 5 per cent of total revenue taken in operating costs. At 40 per cent of total sales (28 per cent to Good Causes and 12 per cent in lottery duty to the Government), Camelot returns a higher proportion of lottery revenue back to society than any other lottery operator in the world. National Lottery retailers receive 5 per cent of total revenue in commission, and 50 per cent of sales is paid out to players in prizes
- Camelot is committed to the highest standards in player protection and social responsibility in both the retail and interactive environments. The National Lottery website, Sky Active and Play By Text services have been accredited by GamCare, the UK's national centre for information, advice and practical help regarding the social impact of gambling – while Camelot's approach to game design, test purchasing and retailer vigilance campaigns ensures player protection at retail. Camelot has been ranked among the top 30 UK companies in Business in the Community's 2005 Corporate Responsibility Index, becoming a sector leader in the leisure category
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