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Leigh Family Think 'Clucky' And Win Lotto Nest Egg

A family of champion hen breeders from Leigh is 'egg-static' after matching all six numbers in the Lotto draw on Saturday 17 December, to 's-coop' a £530,769 share of the jackpot.

All four members of the Waterworth family syndicate – comprising hen breeder, Andrew (57); wife, Muriel (59); daughter, Deborah (40); and son, Andrew (32) – are now 'hatching' their 'best laid' plans for the future, which include paying off their mortgages and taking UK and foreign holidays. The whole family is also planning an extra special Christmas celebration this year.

Muriel commented: "It's come just in time to make Christmas an extra special event this year. Now that we have won the money, Andrew is planning his retirement in a couple of years. The win means that he will be able to devote more time – and even a bit more money – to his hen-breeding hobby."

Andrew and Muriel discovered their good fortune while they were watching the National Lottery draw on television on Saturday.

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Muriel explained: “We always use the same numbers that we picked at random when Lotto first started, and we’ve been doing it for so long, I know them off by heart. When the numbers were being drawn I remember thinking to myself that we’d won £10 – then £100 – and then when the rest of our numbers came out and I realised that we had all six, I shouted ‘We’re up!’”

It was a real case of ‘don’t count your chickens before they hatch’ at first though, as Andrew did not initially believe their luck. Once Muriel had showed him the winning ticket to convince him, the couple went round to see the rest of the family to share the fantastic news.

The family’s lucky ticket was bought from Cannings newsagents in Leigh, and the winning Lotto numbers were 7, 11, 15, 21, 35 and 47.

This Wednesday there is an estimated £2.7 million Lotto jackpot and a £4.9 million estimated Lotto Extra jackpot available to win – while this Friday’s (23 December), EuroMillions Rollover jackpot is an estimated £43million. The National Lottery[®] is also giving players the chance to win a Christmas present to really remember with a Lotto Superdraw on Christmas Eve. With a guaranteed £15 million jackpot, that is 15 million extra reasons to celebrate in real style – imagine waking up a multi-millionaire on Christmas morning.

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