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Midlothian Guard Secures Happy Future With £106k Lotto Win

A security guard from Dalkeith is celebrating banking £105,963 safe and sound in the knowledge that he is one of the 15 lucky ticket-holders to match five numbers and the bonus ball in last Saturday's Lotto draw (1 July 2006).

Family man, James McIntosh (58) – known to friends and family as 'Tosh' – is now making plans for a secure future for his two sons, James (33) and David (31), his daughter, Audrey (24), and his six grandchildren ranging in age from nine months to nine years. The security guard, who works 12-hour shifts at a large office building in central Edinburgh, only discovered he had won after his wife Anne (55) and daughter, Audrey, checked his Lucky Dip® tickets against the winning numbers printed in the Sunday papers – and, after finding out he had won, they could not wait to tell him the good news.

James explained: "I was out walking in the park on Sunday morning, when I saw these two women running towards me, jumping up and down. Then I realised it was Anne and Audrey. I thought they'd gone mad but they were shouting 'you've won the lottery!' We've checked and double-checked but still can't really believe it, even though the cheque is in the bank now."

Security guard, James, says that he does not intend to give up work as he enjoys his job even though the shifts are tiring. He is, however, delighted that his wife is able to leave her job as a cleaner at a local school, so she can spend more time with the family. With his winnings, James is planning to buy his council house, pay off the loan on his new Vauxhall Astra, give each of his children some of his winnings and organise a family holiday to Florida – although he will have to get a passport first.

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The winning Lotto numbers on Saturday 1 July were: 18, 28, 33, 37, 39 and 42, and the bonus ball was 15. The winning Lucky Dip ticket was bought at the Mayfield Post Office and Co-Op in Mayfield, Dalkeith.

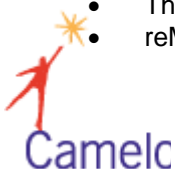
Tonight (5 July) there is an estimated £2.6 million Lotto jackpot and an estimated £2.7 million Lotto Extra jackpot available to win, while this Friday's (7 July) EuroMillions Rollover jackpot is an estimated £46 million.

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