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Local Surgery Staff Are 'Well-Healed' After EuroMillions Win

A syndicate of 36 surgery staff from St. Paul's Medical Centre in Blackpool is today celebrating a massive £479,782.20 cash injection, after matching five numbers and one Lucky Star number in last Friday's EuroMillions draw (Friday 10 November).

The syndicate has been organised by three of the members – Vivian Griffin, Sandra O'Loughlin and Jacqueline Gardner – who decided to organise the group in the wake of this series of EuroMillions Rollovers. Having only played together for two weeks this really is a dream come true for the group, but it seems that their win was written in the stars.

Jacqueline explained: "One of the syndicate members, Jeannette Street, recently had her Tarot Cards read which predicted that she would be receiving a cheque. Also I had a dream that there could be some money coming to me in the near future."

Jacqueline added: "We thought it would be good to play as a syndicate to increase our chances of winning the EuroMillions jackpot. I really can't believe that we have won such a massive amount of money."

On the Friday of the draw, it was Maureen Weszka, another member of the syndicate, who first realised that they had won. Maureen explained: "I was at home Friday night watching television when I put Teletext on to find out the numbers from the draw. With them written down I started to go through the lines. It wasn't until I got to the last line when I realised that we had matched all five of the numbers – then looking again I saw that we had one of the stars as well!

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“Not really believing it I asked my husband to check them when he came in from work. I called a couple of the other members of the syndicate and soon everyone knew the good news.”

Other members of the syndicate include Judith Barlow, Julie Bride, Susan Andrews, Jeannette Garrick, Valerie Rainford, Jeanette Norris, Anne Bagot-Moore, Faye Burke, Pauline Cockroft, Sarah Massey, Lynn Mackinnon, Alison Shearer, Jeannette Street, Lyne Dunkerley, Melissa Waring, Emma Livesley, Rebecca Smith and Peter Herbert.

The syndicate members are all still thinking about what they would like to spend the money on. Initial thoughts include home improvements, cars, holidays and a trip to see family in Australia.

Vivian bought the winning EuroMillions ticket, which was a Lucky Dip[®], from Gynn News on Dickson Rd in Blackpool. The winning EuroMillions numbers on 10 November were 14, 21, 27, 30, 36 and the Lucky Star numbers were 2 and 3.

This Friday's (17 November) colossal EuroMillions Rollover jackpot is estimated at a whopping £120 million, while tomorrow's (Wednesday 15 November) Lotto jackpot is an estimated £2.6 million. Every Lotto play slip now comes with its own Dream Number – it is up to players to mark 'yes' to give their Dream Number its chance of winning up to £500,000, or choose a Lucky Dip[®].

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