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Eighth EuroMillions Rollover Means More Lottery Cash For Good Causes

The whole of the UK has come out as the biggest EuroMillions winner so far – the huge jackpot has now rolled eight times to reach an estimated £75 million this Friday, not only leading to a ticket buying frenzy across the nation but also a boost for Good Causes.

During peak sales last Friday afternoon over £350,000 was being raised for Good Causes every 60 minutes. In total, during this latest roll series, more than £15 million has been generated for Good Causes in the UK since it began on 1 September 2006. This has been added to the £19 billion generated for Good Causes – and 240,000 individual grants which have been made – across the whole of Great Britain and Northern Ireland since The National Lottery® began in 1994.

A National Lottery spokesperson said: “Everyone across the UK has already become a winner because of EuroMillions over the last eight weeks. Even if you haven’t banked a prize, a local Good Cause will have won a grant to benefit the whole community – as on average, there have been over 80 lottery grants awarded in every single postcode district across the UK.”

How would £15 million of National Lottery funding support the UK? Half of all lottery grants are under £5,000 so a whole range of Good Causes projects, both large and small, look set to benefit from this latest outbreak of EuroMillions fever. To show where £15 million might go, here are some examples of previous beneficiaries of lottery funding:

- ***The Cutty Sark, National Maritime Museum and Ahoy Centre*** in Greenwich, South London, have together received lottery funding totalling over **£15 million** from Heritage Lottery Fund

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- **Mile End Park** – an ecology park with a new arts pavilion was created in the heart of London's East End with **£14,722,009** of lottery money
- **The British Museum** received **£15,198,859** for its Education and Information Centre.

Some other big grants have been awarded to:

- **Save Our Squirrels in Northumberland** which received £626,000 to help save the red squirrel
- **North East Red Kite Re-Introduction and Education Project** in Newcastle received **£303,500**
- **Scottish Seabird Centre** received **£1.3 million** to use state-of-the-art remote-controlled cameras to view thousands of seabirds on the Bass Rock and the island of Fidra
- **Guards Household Division Association, Warrington** received **£5,000** to fund a trip for 30 war veterans to Belgium and Holland, where they saw action in the forces and where some of their comrades are buried
- **Northern Ireland Cancer Fund for Children** was awarded **£150,000** to construct a new log cabin that will offer a place for young people suffering from cancer to integrate with each other and their families
- **West Walton Primary School** in Norfolk received **£10,000** from Sport England to build a rebound sports wall and all-weather surface.

Recent small grants made in October have included:

- **Young basketball players of the Cullompton Comets** – who received £2,600 to fund new kit and equipment

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- **Boil and Bubble Theatre Company**, Bristol, received **£10,000** to provide work for older actors, directors, writers and theatre technicians – and to perform for older audiences
- **Writhlington School** in Radstock, Somerset, has been awarded **£10,000** to set up trampoline clubs to help improve the fitness of people in the local community and encourage healthier lifestyles
- **The Grovesend School** in Wales will soon be launching its out-of-hours club thanks to a **£5,000** grant.

Other lottery-funded projects that received a National Lottery Award this year:

- **UCAN Perform** in Cardiff used a **£4,800** grant to enable children from five local schools to take part in a series of drama workshops
- **The Food Chain** in London received more than **£125,000** to provide meals and nutritional advice to people living with HIV/AIDs
- **Inverary Pipe Band**, Scotland – Stuart Liddell used **£17,000** from the lottery to set up the town's first pipe band for 17 years
- **Trans Pennine Trail**. The trail opened in 2001, thanks to **£6.4 million** of National Lottery funding.

EuroMillions is the world's biggest multi-national lottery game by total population eligible to play. To win the EuroMillions jackpot, players need to match five main numbers from one to 50 – and two Lucky Star numbers from one to nine. EuroMillions costs £1.50 to play and the draw is shown every Friday on Challenge TV at 9.55pm.

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- To date, over £19 billion has been raised for Good Causes by The National Lottery, and more than 240,000 individual awards have been made across the UK – the biggest programme of civic and social regeneration since the 19th Century. The National Lottery has given away over £28 billion in prizes and created more than 1,900 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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