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## **Exeter Rugby Fans Scrum Down To Celebrate Lotto Win**

The lucky members of a 10-strong syndicate from the British Rail Staff Association Club in Cowick Street, Exeter, are now planning a trip to the Rugby World Cup – after winning £164,341 by matching five numbers and the bonus ball in the Lotto draw on Saturday 17 March.

Syndicate organiser, Chris Lewis (57), was watching the National Lottery draw show at home and made a note of the winning numbers as they came up. After checking the syndicate's tickets, he realised they had won so immediately started phoning the other members of the group to share the good news.

Chris said: "We have never won this amount of money before, so it was quite a shock when we found out! We are all over the moon. A few of us in the syndicate are rugby fans, so we have decided to head to France in September for the Rugby World Cup!"

As well as a trip to the Rugby World, the syndicate members are also planning to splash out on new cars, DIY and holidays. One of the syndicate members, Brian Ewings, is going on a trip of a lifetime to New Zealand and Australia with his wife Margaret (62). The couple had planned to emigrate to New Zealand in 1971 but never got round to it, so they are going there to see what they missed out on.

Brain commented: "It is wonderful that we have won, just unbelievable. When I received the call, my eldest daughter was cooking a meal for Mothers' Day and my other two daughters were there, so I was with the whole family. I couldn't believe it. It took me about 24 hours to get used to the idea."

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The winning Lotto numbers on Saturday 17 March were 1, 9, 14, 20, 43, 44 and the bonus ball was 32. The ticket was bought from Martin's Newsagents in the St Thomas Centre, Exeter.

Tonight's (Friday 30 March) EuroMillions jackpot is an estimated £10 million while tomorrow (Saturday 31 March), there is a £4.6 million estimated Lotto jackpot available to win. 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<sup>®</sup>.

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