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Colchester Syndicate Has Licence To Print Money *Lotto double in lucky Colchester, with two jackpots won in one week*

A seven-strong syndicate from a card printing company in Colchester is now celebrating after winning an incredible £4,800,414 on Lotto last Saturday (17 November 2007).

The syndicate members, who all work for Hythe Offset Printing, are now busy celebrating and making plans for the future – ranging from taking a course in landscape gardening, to buying a Harley Davidson for Christmas. According to syndicate leader, Karen Radley (60), the syndicate has been playing for about two years and has previously won an occasional £10 before. Karen found out about the win when she checked the numbers on Ceefax on Saturday night but did not call any of the syndicate until she was sure of the win on Sunday morning.

Karen explained: “I was so excited I couldn’t sleep and really tempted to call everyone, but wanted to be sure so essentially I had the sleepless night on Saturday and the others on Sunday. We are all just so thrilled and it couldn’t have happened to a nicer bunch of people.”

Karen added: “We change our numbers regularly and strangely enough I picked these numbers a couple of weeks ago at random from an old lottery ticket. You could say this was our own Lucky Dip.”

Karen is now planning to buy a new house for her and her husband while other syndicate members all have their own ideas about what to do with their respective shares of the lottery win.

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One member of the syndicate is planning to go part-time so he can spend time helping to look after his new baby son, while others are planning house extensions and dream holidays to Mauritius. Apart from one planned retirement, all the syndicate members are planning to come back to work.

Karen commented: "It's a great company and we all really enjoy working together."

Karen bought the winning ticket from J Sainsbury on Tollgate West in Colchester. The syndicate's winning numbers were 11, 16, 20, 22, 27 and 46.

This Wednesday's (21 November) Lotto jackpot is an estimated £2.5 million, while on Friday (23 November), there is an estimated £19 million EuroMillions Rollover 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®.

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