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It's Childs Play For Sheffield Syndicate! *Dream win as childminders scoop £2m Lotto Jackpot*

A 10-strong syndicate of childminders from Sheffield is celebrating after scooping a £2,077,095 share of the Lotto jackpot on Saturday 29 September 2007. The syndicate's good fortune comes only weeks after the husband of one of the syndicate members, Esther Doona, predicted a lottery win in his dream.

The syndicate, who all work at the Mosborough Township Childminding Cooperative, is already starting to make plans on how to spend their winnings including paying off their mortgages, university fees and treats for their children, including a horse.

Syndicate organiser Kita Mortlock (44) from Halfway, was at home when she realised that they had won. Kita commented: "On Saturday night another syndicate member, Mary Sayles, called me to say that she thought we had won – she had a copy of our numbers and had seen the draw on TV. I checked again using the internet and Teletext and it was only when I actually confirmed the win that I finally believed we had won. Then I couldn't wait to spread the news to all the gang!

"Strangely enough, over a week ago, Esther's husband had a dream that Mary had called to tell them that they had won the lottery. And now we really have! It's just wonderful but we still can't believe it."

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The syndicate, who have been playing together for three years – but only online for three months – picked their winning line using a regular selection of randomly picked numbers. They always buy their tickets online at National-Lottery.co.uk. The winning Lotto numbers on Saturday 29 September were 1, 9, 10, 11, 16 and 49.

The members of the syndicate are: Kita Mortlake (44), Karen Reaney (50), Esther Doona (23), Jeanette Lisle (39), Joanne Major (31), Mary Sayles (50), Susan Pearson (43), Lynda Booth (56), Eleanor Jenkins (59) and Claire Thomas (37).

At National-Lottery.co.uk, players can buy tickets for all of the National Lottery's Draw-Based games, including Lotto, Dream Number and EuroMillions.

Tonight's (5 October) EuroMillions jackpot is an estimated £10 million, while Saturday's (6 October) Lotto jackpot is an estimated £4.5 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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