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Local Builder Strikes Scratchcard Gold

A builder from Eccles in Aylesford, Kent, has laid down some solid foundations for a golden future after scratching his way to the top prize of £90,000 on a Solid Gold Scratchcard from The National Lottery.

It was a case of second-time lucky for Danny Startup (18), as he had only ever bought one other National Lottery Scratchcard previously. With just £2 in his pocket, he decided to try his luck and buy his second Scratchcard, and went on to cement his good fortune. Danny, who lives at home with his parents, now plans to buy a new LCD TV for his bedroom and will invest the rest for his future.

Danny said: "I was at home with my mum when I realised I'd won and I couldn't believe it! I asked my mum to double-check the Scratchcard. I was amazed when she said I had definitely won."

Steve Startup, Danny's father, added: "We were all in shock when Danny revealed the great news, but Danny just took it all in his stride. I don't think it has really sunk in for him yet but we're all so delighted for him. The win really sets him up well for the future."

National Lottery Scratchcards offer players a whole range of instant cash prizes at their fingertips. With two games to play and up to eight chances of winning on each ticket, the Solid Gold Scratchcard costs £2 and offers overall odds of 1 in 4.65 of winning any prize – up to a £90,000 jackpot. Danny bought his winning Scratchcard from Eccles SPO, 3-5 Varnes Street, Eccles, Aylesford in Kent.

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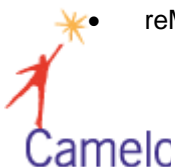
Tonight's (Friday 4 April 2008) EuroMillions Rollover jackpot is an estimated £21 million while Saturday's (5 April 2008) estimated Lotto jackpot is £4.6 million. Every Lotto play slip now comes with its own Dream Number – it is up to players to mark 'yes' to give their Dream Number its chance of winning up to £500,000, or choose a Lucky Dip®.

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