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Local Docker Lands Lotto Win

A docker from Basildon, Essex, has matched five numbers plus the bonus ball in the Lotto draw on Saturday 22 March 2008, to win £92,168.

Robert Marriott (52) and his wife, Pam (53), have been playing The National Lottery since it began and cannot believe they have bagged this massive win. The couple are already starting to plan how to celebrate – with a holiday to Egypt next year, a fishing weekend in France and home improvements all on the cards.

Robert, a docker for Stanton Grove, and Pam, a cashier at a local petrol station, had already booked a holiday to Corfu for June this year and the final payment was fast approaching. Robert initially thought he had matched five numbers and realised the holiday could be paid off, but then the penny dropped that he had the bonus ball too.

Robert explained: “We checked the Lotto numbers on Teletext on Sunday morning. Pam noticed we had four, then five numbers. We saw from the screen that we had won £1,046, enough to pay off the holiday – but then we noticed we had matched the bonus ball as well and our winnings had rocketed to £92,168. We couldn’t believe it.

“Pam called our son straight away but he couldn’t believe it either. It didn’t feel real. Pam hid the ticket in her handbag and then hid the handbag in the house. We were determined not to lose the ticket.”

Robert continued: “We are over the moon with this win. We are both going to continue working but it’s great to know that in the future we can retire in style and also treat ourselves now.”

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The winning ticket, which was a line of regularly-played numbers, was purchased from Local on Ballards Walk, Basildon. The winning Lotto numbers on the Saturday 22 March draw were 7, 11, 14, 27, 45, 48 and the bonus ball was 37.

This Wednesday (9 April), there is an estimated Lotto jackpot of £xx million, while this Friday's (11 April) EuroMillions jackpot is an estimated £xx 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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