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‘Serious Cash’ Is The Perfect Prescription For Wolstanton Nurse

A nurse from Wolstanton has had a cash injection of £80,000 after scratching her way to the top prize on the ‘Serious Cash’ Scratchcard from The National Lottery.

Sandra Locke (49) from Wolstanton, works part-time at the Elliot and Candlish GP surgery in Stoke and could not believe her eyes when she revealed the jackpot prize of £80,000.

Sandra said: “My partner Mike and I were going to watch Stoke City play and on the way Mike cashed in a previous scratchcard, on which we had won £20. At the same time he bought another scratchcard and once home, after the winning match, I sat down at the kitchen table and scratched away. I couldn’t believe it, I let out a huge scream when I realised I had hit the jackpot.

Sandra continued: “I went across to the newsagents to check the scratchcard. The read-out said ‘speak to Camelot’ and in between giggling and shouting we rushed back to call Camelot. It’s going to make such a difference to the whole family.”

Sandra, who lives with her partner Michael (43) and has two children Ben (26) and Samantha (22), was so afraid of losing the winning scratchcard she kept it as a bookmark in a Doctor Who book and then inside a cupboard for ‘extra-safe’ keeping. With 50th birthday celebrations to plan for in September and her daughter, Samantha getting married later this year, the windfall has come at a perfect time. The couple also plan to pay off their mortgage and enjoy a holiday to the home of rock n roll - Graceland.

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National Lottery Scratchcards offer players a whole range of instant cash prizes at their fingertips. With one game to play on each ticket, the Serious Cash Scratchcard costs £2 and offers overall odds of 1 in 4.68 of winning a prize. Sandra bought her winning Scratchcard from Dimsdale News, Dimsdale Parade West, Wolstanton.

Tomorrow's (Friday 2 May) EuroMillions Rollover jackpot is an estimated £21 million while Saturday's (3 May) estimated Lotto jackpot is 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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