

Media Release

'Whoops!' Accidental purchase leads to Division 1 Lotto win

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A middle-aged bachelor from Roleystone has come forward to claim almost \$1 million in prize money after the State produced two Saturday Lotto Division 1 wins on the weekend.

The man, who purchased his winning ticket online, said he was actually trying to purchase his usual Slikpik 25 ticket when his hand slipped, accidentally buying a Slikpik 50.

"Thank god I made the stuff-up because it won on line 44!" the man said in disbelief.

"When I looked online and saw I had won, I thought it might be an electrical phenomenon," he said.

"That or I was seeing things after a big Christmas party the night before," he laughed.

After years of renting, the man said the money would go a long way towards setting himself up in a new bachelor pad with all the bells and whistles.

"But first on the wish-list is definitely a new TV," he said.

"I've been dreaming about a 55-inch screen – it's going to be a real whopper."

While the Roleystone winner wasted no time coming forward to claim his prize, Lotterywest is still waiting to hear from the second weekend winner, who purchased their ticket from Woolstores Lottery Centre & News in Fremantle.

Lotterywest spokeswoman Pina Compagnone said that after two Division 1 Lotto wins over the weekend, players will be keen to get in on tonight's \$20 million OZ Lotto jackpot.

"Let's hope our lucky streak continues all the way from tonight's jackpot to the \$30 million Megadraw on 30 December," she said.

"I think Western Australia is going to come up with the goods and produce some newly minted millionaires," she said.

Tickets for tonight's \$20 million OZ Lotto jackpot and the \$30 million Megadraw are available now in-store, <u>online</u> or by downloading the app.

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