

## Media Release

## Baldivis man shares \$2 million win with 40 State-wide syndicate members

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A Baldivis man has claimed Western Australia's second \$2 million Division One prize from last month's \$20 million Saturday Lotto Superdraw, on behalf of a 40 member syndicate.

The syndicate, which started as a few work mates pulling together loose change, quickly snowballed into a larger State-wide affair.

Spanning across Western Australia from Baldivis to Geraldton, each member is set to pocket \$50,000.

"We started with \$10 here and there but I wanted more people on board," he said.

"Only a few mates from work were keen, so I put a call out online."

"Everyone wanted in and we've been going strong for about three years now."

The man learnt their ticket was a winner through a phone call from his best mate the other members quick to follow him up.

"I'd just knocked off from work and my mate kept saying check the numbers, check the numbers!" he said.

"I did a little happy dance when I checked them for myself but didn't want to be too loud."

"I couldn't sleep at all that night and my phone was ringing off the hook the next day from the other syndicate members."

Buying a new house, flying family from overseas and wiping debt were just some of the spending plans for the winners.

"I even had one lady tell me her family no longer had to live off rice and tomato sauce," he said.

"It's a nice feeling to be able to help others, even though I started this thing all for me."

The man, who was recently made redundant earlier this year, said he'd considered buying a new car for himself on the drive to Lotterywest's Winners Room.

"Then I decided, actually this one will do me just fine!" he joked.

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The winning ticket was purchased from The Lucky Charm Baldivis.

Meanwhile a third Division One winning ticket from the June Superdraw remains unclaimed.

The \$2 million winning ticket was purchased from Warrick's Newsagency in Northam. It was one of three Division One winners produced in WA in the Superdraw.

WA players have any early chance for millionaire status with Tuesday's \$10 million OZ Lotto jackpot and Thursday's \$12 million Powerball jackpot.

Tickets are available until 6pm draw day from Lotterywest in-store, via Play Online or by downloading the app.

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