

Media Release

Besties beat the odds to share in million dollar Lotto win

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A syndicate of two long-time friends from north of the river have come forward to claim their \$1 million Saturday Lotto prize from the weekend's draw.

The mother of two and engaged man, who've been playing Lotto together weekly for nearly three years, hold a friendship spanning 22 years.

"My late father played Lotto and always told me that you have to be in it to win it," he said.

"So as homage to him, we've kept each of our winning tickets, totalling \$459, in his wallet.

"And we'll keep the tradition alive with a photocopy of our Division One ticket in there too!"

The pair described the feeling of winning Lotto as surreal and were thankful they could now pay off their respective mortgages and for the man, pay for his upcoming wedding.

"We'll also do some travel, build a pool and invest the rest," the woman said.

"Together we're millionaires and it's thrilling to be able to share it with my best friend."

The ticket was purchased at Nextra Express Ellenbrook – the store has previously produced four Division One winners in just four years totalling nearly \$5 million in prizes.

The friends are Western Australia's 48th Division One winners of 2018.

Thanks to those that play Lotterywest games, the Ellenbrook Community Collective Incorporated received a \$20,000 Lotterywest grant towards their free annual event, the Elfenbrook Christmas Festival and Pageant happening this Saturday 8 December from 12noon to 6pm.

With less than a month until Christmas, why not spoil someone you know with a Lotterywest Gift Pack and give them the chance to win big!

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