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WA Lotto player picks up midweek million dollar prize

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Following two WA Division 1 Lotto winners from the weekend, the State has done in again overnight with one lucky local taking home \$1 million in last night's Wednesday Lotto draw.

The million dollar winning ticket was sold at Woodvale Boulevard Newsagency – a store no stranger to Lotto luck after they sold a Saturday Lotto ticket worth \$320,223 in February.

Owner of the store, Raju Batavia, thinks the residents of Woodvale and the neighbouring suburb of Kingsley must be getting luckier.

"We're on top of the world knowing we've been able to sell someone a big winner like this. I'm so happy imagining all the amazing things this winner will be able to do," said Raju.

"My fingers are crossed that we can keep this winning streak up, especially with the Superdraw being just around the corner!"

Not only has the week been filled with three new WA Division 1 Lotto winners, it's been a busy few days in the Lotterywest Winners Room with three outstanding prizes being claimed including:

- Saturday Lotto ticket worth \$521,827 sold at The Lucky Charm Midland for the 17 September draw.
- Saturday Lotto ticket worth \$500,809 sold at Herdsman Lottery Centre & News in Churchlands for the 15 October draw.
- Saturday Lotto ticket worth \$500,809 sold at Lakelands News in Yangebup for a 15 October draw.

It was a young man from the City of Cockburn who claimed the \$500,809 prize from Lakelands News. The man said he'd always had a good feeling about the store and its owners.

"The guy who sold me the winning ticket had sold me winners in the past and I'd have to say he's right when he says he has a lucky store!" the winner said.

When the winner checked his ticket he said he sat silently in shock for about half an hour and then started calling family to double check his good fortune.

"This prize is really going to change my life. I can now pay off my debt, help my family and travel."

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It's not only WA's Lotto winners who benefit following a draw, the local community benefits too with over \$281 million going back to support the WA community last financial year.

Communitywest Incorporated located in Woodvale received the benefits of those who play Lotterywest games with a \$35,000 Lotterywest grant last month. These funds were used towards a new website to enhance access to training and development information for the community care sector in WA.

\$21 million Superdraw not far away!

It's time for WA players to dream SUPER big with the \$21 million Saturday Lotto Superdraw taking place on 29 October.

Lotterywest spokesperson Pina Compagnone said with 66 Division 1 winners from WA already sharing in almost \$110 million worth of prizes, she was hoping luck would return to The West.

"The Superdraw is a chance for our players to start dreaming SUPER big about all the wonderful things they could do with a share in \$21 million," she said.

Superdraw tickets are available until 6pm next Saturday (29 October) in-store from Lotterywest retailers, through Lotterywest Play Online or by downloading the Lotterywest App.

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