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Wild weekend weather delivers two WA Lotto winners

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WA may have experienced some wild weather on the weekend but it also produced two Division 1 Lotto winners who will each take home a \$572,766 prize.

WA's winning tickets were purchased from Padbury News & Post and The Lucky Charm South Hedland.

Both stores are no stranger to Lotto luck selling Division 1 Lotto tickets last year. The Padbury store sold a ticket which held a \$5 million prize in February and in August South Hedland sold a winning ticket worth \$750,000.

Manager of Padbury News & Post Joe Kempster said there were a few lucky charms instore which may have been bringing his players luck, including a Buddha and small cat statue.

"We got them right before selling the \$5 million winner last year and the luck has kept spreading ever since," he said.

"We sell quite a few winners here and not just Division 1! You can always hear that winning bell sound singing from our lottery terminal."

Lotterywest is waiting to hear from its newest Division 1 winners.

WA's latest Lotto success brings the State's combined tally of Division 1 and 1st Prize winners this year to 41. These players have shared in over \$84 million in prizes.

When you play Lotterywest Games, the money stays in WA and supports the community through our statutory support to health, sports and the arts and via direct grants.

Local groups to receive Lotterywest support include the City of Karratha which received a \$2 million Lotterywest Grant in February. These funds were used to help with the construction of the Karratha Arts and Community Precinct which will provide a hub for local, regional and visiting arts and cultural groups.

Countdown to tomorrow's \$40 million jackpot

There's only one night to go until an incredible \$40 million jackpot goes on offer in OZ Lotto tomorrow night.

The jackpot is the equal largest the game has offered this year and is the result of no-one across the nation being able to match the game's winning numbers for the past six weeks.

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Lotterywest retailers are already reporting lots of interest in the jackpot by local players, with Lotterywest expecting close to 400 tickets to be sold every minute tomorrow during the busiest hour of sales.

"Jackpot day is always the most popular day to purchase tickets, so we're encouraging players to get their tickets early," said Lotterywest spokesperson Pina Compagnone.

Tickets in the \$40 million OZ Lotto jackpot are available until 6pm tomorrow from Lotterywest retailers in-store, from Play Online or by downloading the Lotterywest App.

Over the six week jackpot roll, more than \$8 million has also been raised to support the WA community.

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