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Portage la Prairie winners split \$1 million windfall

A group of 46 winners from the Portage la Prairie area are divvying up a \$1 million prize after their LOTTO 6/49 subscription netted them a Guaranteed Prize Draw win on the September 30 draw.

The group, who has been playing together since 2009, first started their subscription in 2011 which now includes 8 LOTTO 6/49 tickets and one LOTTO MAX ticket. One of their LOTTO 6/49 tickets for the September 30 draw exactly matched a winning Guaranteed Prize Draw number – 29804205-01.

According to Stanley Zapotochny, who claimed the prize on behalf of the group, getting the call from WCLC informing the group that they'd won was a bit of a surprise.

"It was unbelievable!" he exclaimed with a laugh.

Zapotochny says he's already got some plans for his share of the windfall – he'll be polishing off some home renovations, and look to booking a family trip once it's safe to do so again.

Sharing the prize with Zapotochny are:

Ron Atkins	Brian Little	Briana Sapinski	Sandra Boyachek
Ronald Kowalchuk	Denise Stairs	Diane Hackewich	Landon Little
Johnnie Ogilvie	Lisa Painter	Mandip Sainbhi	Beverly Roy
Benjamin Wallace	Kevin Young	Valerie Lavalee	Katy Schram
H. Glenn Lawson	Brenda McIntosh	Ronald Brown	Raymond Frost
Ronald Loeppky	Linda Swidnicki	Susan Chambers	Subhankar Ghosh
Brian Sapinski	Mumtaz Habib	Moh'd Zeid	Jocelyne Durand
Charlne Boak	Scott Kyle	Kenneth Clarkson	Janine Kim
Gail Johnson	Murray Donald	Stephen Wilson	Justin Klassen
Christopher Leckie	Lori Ann Andrews	Douglas Struthers	Prokopis Papadimitropoulos
Mona Lindwall	Gary Solomon	J. Wesley Turk	Deborah McIntyre-Moffat
			Anthony Leduc-Belleau

Retail sales and validation of lottery products are currently suspended throughout most of Manitoba in support of public health orders to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Manitobans are still able to purchase tickets for some draw-based games (LOTTO MAX, LOTTO 6/49, DAILY GRAND, WESTERN MAX, WESTERN 649, and EXTRA) via <u>WCLC's subscription service</u> or on Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries' <u>PlayNow.com</u>. Players can also check any previously purchased tickets using the ticket scanning feature on <u>the Lotto Spot! app</u> (available for both Android and iOS devices)

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and <u>claim large prizes remotely</u> as the WCLC Prize Payout office is currently also closed to the public. At this time, players are asked to safely store smaller winning tickets if possible until redemption at retail is available again.

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