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## **Thunderball Win Cements Abergele Builder's Future**

A builder from Abergele is celebrating after winning a pile of cash! The lucky man scooped the £250,000 Thunderball top prize in the draw Saturday 11 November 2006.

Darren Williams (36) is going to use his life-enhancing win as the foundation for a brighter future – as well as buying a house in the local area he also plans to treat himself to the holiday of a lifetime.

Darren said: "I've got family in Australia, so it would be great to visit them again, but I'd also like to go to Alaska. It's one of those once-in-a-lifetime opportunities and I'm going to take it! I can't wait to start house-hunting too – getting on the property ladder has been impossible until now."

Darren bought the ticket from his local Post Office in Swan Square, Llanfair Talhaearn, on the Saturday of the draw. Darren who lives with his mum, Elsie, and his dad, Harry, in Llanfair Talhaearn had been out on the Saturday night, so missed the televised draw. He only realised he had won the Thunderball jackpot when he checked the numbers on Teletext on Sunday morning – even then, Elsie did not believe Darren until she had checked the numbers herself. Darren then phoned his girlfriend, Emma (24) – who lives nearby with her parents – to tell her the good news.

Darren said: "Emma thought I was joking too. She wanted to go back to sleep, but in the end I convinced her that I was telling the truth. She then came round to see for herself."

Darren's winning ticket was a Lucky Dip®. The winning Thunderball numbers on 11 November were 06, 24, 29, 33, 34, and the Thunderball was 05.

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Tomorrow (Wednesday 22 November), there is an estimated £8 million Lotto Rollover jackpot available to win – while Friday's (24 November) estimated EuroMillions jackpot is £10 million. Every Lotto play slip now comes with its own Dream Number – it is up to players to mark 'yes' to give their Dream Number its chance of winning up to £500,000, or choose a Lucky Dip.

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