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CARDIFF BINGO PLAYER LANDS £50,000 JACKPOT

The evening of Thursday 16th September was filled with joy and excitement at **Castle Bingo** Canton after one lucky member won £50,000 on the **National Bingo Game**!

The lucky members, Paul George and his wife Dawn, are regulars at **Castle Bingo** and have been playing bingo for over 30 years and play at least 3 times a week.

When asked how he felt when he realised he had won, Paul said "We were completely shocked and in disbelief."

"I had a dream recently that I was going to win something big on the **National Bingo Game** so maybe dreams really do come true!"

Paul and wife Dawn plan to spend some of their big win on a lovely holiday, but are still unsure where they are going or how they will spend the rest.

Josh Davies, General Manager at **Castle Bingo** Canton Cardiff said "It was a hugely exciting evening and what a fantastic win! Paul and Dawn are a fantastic couple. The buzz around the club was amazing. We're all looking forward to the party next week!"

On Thursday Evening 30th September the couple are looking forward to celebrating their big win at **Castle Bingo** Canton, with £10 Cashback for all who attend, as well as free meal!

Alastair Stewart, Head of Commercial Operations at the **National Bingo Game** said: "We are thrilled for our lucky **National Bingo Game** £50,000 Jackpot winner at **Castle Bingo Canton** and hope that Paul and Dawn enjoy spending their winnings!"

For more information on **Castle Bingo** visit www.castle.bingo, or visit them on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. For further information on the **National Bingo Game** visit www.nationalbingo.co.uk. or follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/NationalBingoGame) and Twitter.com @nationalbingo.

All players must be aged 18 or over. The National Bingo Game is played under the provisions of The Gambling Act 2005 and played under National Bingo Game Players' Rules. Players should always gamble responsibly. For more information and advice visit www.BeGambleAware.org

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Notes to Editors

About The National Game

- The National Bingo Game started in 1986, with the current format launched on 30th April 2018
- The new National Bingo Game is a Full House only game and offers players the following prizes:
Club Prize – won in every club, on every game
Jackpot Prizes of £50,000, £1,000 and £100
- To win a Club Prize a player must be the first in their participating venue to successfully complete a full house.
- To win a Jackpot Prize a player must be the first in their participating venue to successfully complete a full house as follows in the following number of calls:
16 numbers or less to win £50,000
20 numbers or less to win £1,000
24 numbers or less to win £100
- Tickets for the National Bingo Game are £1 for 2 tickets OR £2 for 5 tickets
- Total prize money paid to date by the National Bingo Game is over £1BILLION!
- The National Bingo Game is the UK's second largest computer controlled game in the UK, the national lottery being the largest
- The National Bingo Game is played twice a day, every day, 364 days a year
- Around 270 clubs across the UK offer the National Bingo Game, including Gala, Mecca, Majestic, Castle, Carlton and Beacon, in addition to a wide range of independent clubs
- National LIVE is a linked interval game also provided the National Bingo Game Association.
- Over three million people play bingo regularly in the UK (at least twice a week)
- A night out at the bingo can cost as little as £15-25 each, including game books, duty, food and drink
- Most common reasons for playing bingo are because it's fun: it offers companionship and the chance to socialise as well as winning cash prizes
- Celebrities love bingo! Catherine Zeta Jones can thank bingo for her career after her dad won enough to afford to send her to theatre school; other celebrity fans include: Denise Van Outen, Scott Mills and former President Barrack Obama's step-mother!

- A number of celebrities started their careers in bingo, including Chris Tarrant, Simon from boy band Blue, East Ender's Shane Richie, Russell Crowe, Kian from West Life and Peter Kay.

About Castle Bingo

Castle Bingo is an independent licensed bingo operator and currently operates 11 clubs across England and Wales.

Membership is free and available to anyone over the age of 18, registration takes place upon arrival at the club reception desk. New members are welcomed, all Castle Bingo clubs are open 7 days a week, with a variety of session times from breakfast to afternoon and evening sessions.

To find out more please visit: www.castle.bingo