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LIGHTENING STRIKES AGAIN AT FIFE LEISURE PARK: DUNFERMLINE BINGO PLAYER CALLS 'HOUSE' ON ANOTHER £50,000 JACKPOT

Another lucky bingo player at **Carlton Bingo**, **Fife Leisure Park Dunfermline** has called 'house' on a life changing £50,000 Jackpot on the **National Bingo Game**, just over two months since another regular at the club took home the huge cash prize.

The 68 year old winner from Lochore, Fife, who wishes to remain anonymous, was playing at the club on Sunday 19th September when her bingo session took an exciting turn. A regular, playing for more than forty years, she drives 10 miles each way to play bingo at her favourite club, **Carlton Bingo Dunfermline**, but had decided on this particular Sunday not to go. It was only a lastminute telephone call from her friend that changed her mind and they set off to the club together.

As regular bingo players and fans of the **National Bingo Game** they knew that this was the big money game, so were focussed on listening carefully to the numbers as they were called. The lucky winner very quickly found herself calling 'house', believing that she was making a claim to the club prize of £260.00: the shock game as the caller confirmed that the claim was good but that she had in fact also won the top £50,000 Jackpot Prize.

The Dunfermline winner commenting on her prize said, "I couldn't believe it. I still can't believe! I thought I only won the £260 house prize until the cheer went up and Tony the caller said I had won £50,000. I can't believe it. It's a dream come true!

"I love bingo and it's always a great night out: the club is lovely and everyone is friendly and looks after you. It's always exciting when you think you are about to win and thrilling when you do."

Previously the lucky bingo fan's biggest win had been £3,000, a figure put in the shade by her latest win. The only decision that she has made so far regarding her £50,000 prize is that she will be sharing some with her 'bingo buddy'.

Craig Oliver, General Manager at **Carlton Bingo Dunfermline** said, "The lucky winner joins the ever increasing list of big winners at Carlton Dunfermline. This is our second huge win in just a couple fo months and it's always great to see regulars winning this life changing prize.

"I'm really delighted for our winner, as was everyone else in the club given the huge cheer that went up on the night. The atmosphere was electric. We play the **National Bingo Game** twice a day, everyday: it's an amazing game and one which can be truly life changing."

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 **Carlton Bingo Dunfermline** and hope that she enjoys spending her winnings. We have had 6 big winners in Scotland alone this year, since clubs were allowed to reopen, and two of those have been the same club!"

The life changing jackpot win comes just over two months after another player at the club also won a £50,000 **National Bingo Game** Jackpot. **Carlton Bingo** are no strangers to celebrating big wins having had three since June this year alone.

To find a participating club and for further information on the **National Bingo Game** visit <u>www.nationalbingo.co.uk</u>. or follow us on Facebook (<u>www.facebook.com/NationalBingoGame</u>) 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 Buzz, Mecca, Majestic, Castle, Carlton and Merkur, 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 and Kian from West Life.

About Carlton Bingo

Carlton Bingo is an independent licensed bingo operator and currently runs 13 clubs.

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