



## CAMELOT CHALLENGED!

For more years than I care to recollect I have been critical of the whole Camelot (National Lottery) operation.

On many occasions I have challenged them over their alleged 'draws of chance' and how is it that they, (Camelot, the bankers) contrive to produce countless numbers of 'Rollover' results?

Let me explain; for convenience lets assume that the odds of coming up in the National Lottery are 14 million to 1. The odds are the same every draw. However to come 'up' in two consecutive draws, whilst the odds remain the same for both draws the 'chances' against that happening have increased to 14m X 14m to 1, which equals a staggering 196 million to 1.

Now to the best of my knowledge no punter has ever done that double, yet Camelot can produce this staggering result almost at will.

But wait a mo, what about a triple Rollover you ask? Well, and here some readers may get bogged down with figures, a triple Rollover generates the 'chances' of that happening as 14m X 14m X 14m = 2,744,000,000 to 1. WOW.

Oh dear how can any intelligent punter believe and accept such regular happenings as that done during the Camelot draw is by 'chance?'

My theory, and personally I am certain I am right, is the Camelot's super computers can highlight lines of 6 numbers which have **not** been purchased for any particular draw. Hence the multi Rollovers occurring

on such regular basis.

Its not for me to put in print just how this could be achieved, but to alleviate any doubt in the minds of we punters, they (Camelot) should be more open. I suggest that to prove their integrity that they (Camelot) allow a member from the audience to count the number of balls left in the 'Drum' after each draw. Not only count the balls, (there should be 42) but to ensure that the balls on the rack correspond with the missing numbered balls from the drum.

### HOW ABOUT IT CAMELOT?

No doubt Camelot, and their, I believe, hired university professors of mathematics, will claim that my calculations are erroneous, but facts speak for themselves.

All the punters I have spoken to want more prizes in the lower echelons. Un-won Jackpots should be shared out among the punters with less than the maximum six numbers on their cards. Not carried over to what I

personally believe is a contrived Rollover.

After all it is mostly people on the lower income bracket, or pensioners like me, who not only provides Camelot with the bulk of the prize money, but would greatly benefit by an improved lifestyle, even by a modest win. People are disgruntled with the £10 for three numbers prize, there is no doubt about that.

Just for the record some time ago Camelot contested another matter your editor. Camelot lost!

Ed.



# THE HEALTH LOTTERY.... A CHALLENGER?

Unquestionably there is not only great deal of interest in the 'new' Health Lottery but an underlying excitement, or even an air of anticipation that at last, '3 numbers' will be worth something.

In the Health Lottery draw 3 numbers will pay a dividend of no less than £50.00. Well worth having!

However before we (the punters) go ballistic over that opportunity, a word of caution.

The National Lottery pays out the disgraceful £10 for three correct numbers, while the Health Lottery promises to pay out a notable £50 for three numbers from their kitty.

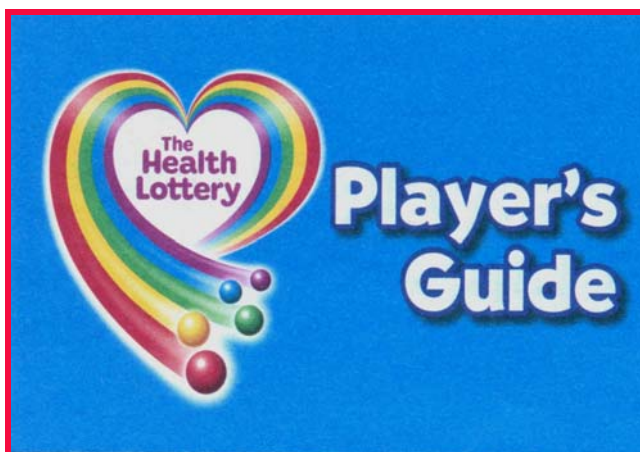
However, and here is the 'rub'. While the National Lottery 3 numbers for a tenner prize comes from a line of 6 numbers, the Health Lottery '3' for a prize of £50 has to come from a line of 5 numbers. Also the national lottery provides the punter with a choice of 49 numbers, while the Health Lottery offers a total of 50 numbers.

So if we do a wee bit of maths you will find that the odds of picking up a £50 prize is that much greater, especially when you take the 50 numbers on the 'board' into the equation.

None the less there are ways of offsetting this anomaly to your advantage. By spending a little bit more on the Health Lottery card, especially if you aim at the lower

prize, yet with the hope that you could 'hit the jackpot' you decide to play with a £6 stake each week.

So here is my offering, select 6 of what you believe are lucky, or even regularly used numbers. Then you perm 'any five from six' transfer the six lines onto 2 Health Lottery cards and buy your tickets.



Result, 3 numbers will win you £50 for your £6 stake. Four numbers will win you 1 X £500 and 4 X £50 and should you be so lucky as to hit all winning numbers on your two cards, well be surprised, but don't forget your uncle.

Don't know how to make a perm? O.K. as follows, on a sheet of paper write in a line with spaces the numbers 1 to 6. The next line down write your preferred numbers, in ascending order (for ease of transferring to your cards). Now you have two lines of figures. On the first line of your playing card write the chosen numbers 1 to 5 on the second line of your playing card write numbers 2 to 6 carry on using number 3 as the third line starter and so forth. If you get your configuration correct each of the 6 numbers should have been used FIVE TIMES in all. Good luck.

Some of the National Press is somewhat unforgiving in their appraisal for the 'new' lottery. Like millions of others I don't give a sh-t who owns it Provided it is run openly and honestly and the punters get a fair share of the ante.

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## JUST THE TICKET

**LAUNCHING** his new lottery business, Richard Desmond told his own *Express* newspaper: "I couldn't be more proud to be the owner of the Health Lottery brand and therefore fully associated with it."

But as Desmond's new lottery was founded by Oxfordshire businesswoman Sarah Jane Moore, whose husband Chris is on bail on fraud charges, is it such a good brand after all? Sarah Jane Moore set up the firm, which aims to make profit by running a lottery donating to health charities, back in 2010. Desmond acquired the firm in March for an undisclosed sum (believed to be in the low millions), at which time Sarah Jane Moore ceased to be a director.

Chris Moore was chairman and chief executive of Torex, a firm supplying software to help run tills in McDonald's, Argos and other shops. But Moore's Torex collapsed in 2007 after a rapid expansion. In March this year he was charged with conspiracy to defraud investors and false accounting, after years of investigation by the Serious Fraud Office and City of London police. Other Torex staff have already been jailed for fraud. In 2007 the press reported that investigators had also inspected properties and a computer linked to Sarah Jane Moore, but she has not been charged.

Till software and lottery software are related fields of business, but Health Lottery ELM Ltd's most valuable asset is a licence to operate from the Gambling Commission, which it awarded in 2010 despite the widely reported investigation into Sarah Jane Moore's husband.

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