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Christmas comes early for Co-op giveaway winners

Three lucky locals received early Christmas gifts from Hastings Co-op this week after sharing the prize pool in

the Co-op's \$10,000 Major Prize Draw.

First prize winner Renee Cotter said the \$7,000 Hastings Co-op charge account was a huge bombshell after

finding out from a friend who heard the good news on the radio.

"I'm not usually lucky, but this will definitely be handy for our family," she said.

"I shop at the IGA all the time and totally forgot I had entered to be honest, so it was a really nice surprise."

The Wauchope mother of two teenage daughters, who is studying at TAFE, is a regular customer at

Wauchope IGA, where the winning entry was placed.

Second prize winner was Port Macquarie pensioner Joan Marson, who has her weekly groceries home delivered from Port Macquarie IGA in the Growers Market Complex. No doubt the \$2,000 Co-op charge

account will come in handy at this time of year.

The third prize winner, of a \$1,000 Co-op charge account, was Wauchope grandmother of 17 Carol Charlton, who has been a Hastings Co-op shareholder for more than 33 years and says she religiously shops at all

Hastings Co-op businesses.

Hastings Co-op's chief executive officer Allan Gordon congratulated the winners and thanked everyone who

entered the competition.

"Our annual giveaway is always popular, and we thank all of our valued customers for shopping and

supporting their local Co-op," he said.

"The winners can use their prize on anything from farm supplies, hardware or petrol, to groceries, kitchen

appliances or a new wardrobe.

"This is our way of saying thank you to loyal customers each year because our customer are at the heart of everything we do. They are the reason we continue to grow and the reason we love being part of the Hastings

community."

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