

**South African is July Winner of Millionaire Draw**  
***51-year old pledges to donate a portion of winnings to Singapore charity***  
***if he becomes the Changi Millionaire***

**SINGAPORE, 8 September 2010** – The second monthly winner of the ‘Be a Changi Millionaire’ Draw hails from South Africa. Mr Jacobus de Vries, 51, the winner for July, now stands a one-in-six chance of winning S\$1 million cash after purchasing a PlayStation Portable (PSP) game console and a VCD player at Singapore Changi Airport.

The South African businessman took part in Changi Airport Group’s ‘Be a Changi Millionaire’ Draw when he visited Singapore with his family for a holiday in July. The father of five resides with his family in a picturesque town surrounded by lakes and a beach in the Garden Route region of Western Cape, South Africa.

As the monthly winner, Mr de Vries wins S\$5,000 in cash plus return airfare to Singapore with a three day/two night stay in a luxurious hotel<sup>1</sup>. The ‘Be a Changi Millionaire’ Draw, which kicked off on 1 June 2010, is possibly the largest cash prize ever to be given away in a retail draw in Singapore or by an airport anywhere in the world. The Millionaire will be selected from among six monthly winners. In addition, there are 188 other cash prizes totalling more than S\$200,000.

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<sup>1</sup> Five finalists will receive S\$5,000 each, while the remaining one wins the Grand Prize of S\$1 million

If he does win the Grand Prize of S\$1 million, Mr de Vries intends to donate a portion of his winnings to a local charity. "First, I will give 5% to a charity of my choice in Singapore. Then, I will use a small amount for travelling and the rest, I will invest for my retirement," said Mr de Vries, when asked what he would do with the money if he becomes the Changi Millionaire.

In July this year, Mr de Vries brought his wife and three of his teenage children on an exciting two-week holiday to Asia. After a ten-day trip to Phuket, the de Vries family went on to spend three fun-filled days in Singapore visiting attractions like Sentosa, Universal Studios, the Singapore Flyer, and of course, lots of shopping.

Before taking their Singapore Airlines flight back to Johannesburg on 7 July 2010, the de Vries family made it a point to arrive at Changi Airport five hours early just to shop and relax. Indeed, Mr de Vries and his family had a very fruitful shopping spree with many great buys, among which were a PSP game console and VCD player bought from the Cameras, Electronics and Computers store at Terminal 2. Worth about S\$430, this transaction turned out to be the winning lucky draw entry that bagged the de Vries the amazing chance to win a million dollars.

In January next year, Mr de Vries will return to Singapore to participate in the 'Be a Changi Millionaire' Grand Draw alongside five other monthly finalists, whose names will be drawn upon the close of every month from July to November 2010.

"It is my wife's biggest dream to go back to Singapore... Her 45th birthday falls in the month of January 2011 and she can't dream of a better birthday present. We said this is our lucky charm for the Draw! The Draw will be the main topic in our family for the next few months. My wife said this is the return for my goodwill towards people around me," said Mr de Vries.

### **Thirty-one daily winners**

In addition to the monthly winner, 31 daily winners (one each day) have also been drawn from the qualifying entries submitted during the month of July. Each wins a cash

prize of S\$1,000. The daily winners comprise nationals of many countries including ten from Indonesia, seven from Singapore and five from Australia. Other winners come from Britain, China, France, India, Malaysia, Philippines and the United States.

Winning entries ranged from a purchase of just S\$80 from Aldo at Terminal 2 to a more-than-S\$10,000 purchase at Gassan Watches at Terminal 1.

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### ***About Changi Airport Group***

Changi Airport Group (CAG) ([www.changiairportgroup.com](http://www.changiairportgroup.com)) was formed on 1 July 2009 as a result of the corporatisation of Singapore Changi Airport. As the airport company managing Changi Airport, the world's most awarded airport, CAG undertakes key functions focusing on airport operations and management, air hub development, commercial activities and airport emergency services. Through its subsidiary Changi Airports International, the Group invests in and manages foreign airports to spread the success of Changi Airport far and wide.

Changi Airport ([www.changiairport.com](http://www.changiairport.com)) handled 37.2 million passenger movements in 2009 and registered a monthly record of 3.83 million in December 2009. Presently, Changi serves 89 airlines flying to some 200 cities in about 60 countries and territories worldwide. A flight takes off or lands at Changi every two minutes.

### ***About 'Be a Changi Millionaire'***

To qualify for the Millionaire Draw, passengers and visitors simply need to shop or dine at Changi Airport<sup>2</sup>, with a minimum spend of just S\$60. The number of chances increases exponentially with the amount spent. Additional chances are given to 'Changi Rewards' members or those who pay with Visa cards. Purchases made in both the public and transit areas of Changi Airport qualify for the Draw. The qualifying period is 1 June 2010 to 30 November 2010.

The 'Be a Changi Millionaire' promotion will see a daily prize of S\$1,000 given over the 183 days of the qualifying period. After the close of each month, a monthly draw will be conducted to shortlist one finalist for participation in the Grand Draw. Apart from the chance to win S\$1 million, the finalists will win S\$5,000 in cash<sup>3</sup>, plus a three day/ two night stay in a luxurious hotel in Singapore, with airfare provided for non-Singapore residents. From among the six monthly finalists, the Changi Millionaire will be selected in an exciting Grand Draw that will take place at Changi Airport in January 2011.

'Be a Changi Millionaire' is co-sponsored by Changi Airport Group and Visa Worldwide. For more information, please refer to [www.changiairport.com/millionaire](http://www.changiairport.com/millionaire).

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<sup>2</sup> Some transactions do not qualify for the Draw. Please refer to full terms and conditions.

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**Ten questions with ... Jacobus de Vries**

- 1. What was the first thing that came to your mind when you got the news from Changi Airport?**

I first thought it was not for real until I received the e-mail.

- 2. You now have a one in six chance to win S\$1 million. How does that make you feel?**

I feel so fortunate just to win an air ticket and S\$5,000. How lucky I am if I really do win S\$1 million! I am very excited and anxious.

- 3. What brought you to Changi Airport in July?**

We visited Singapore to take the kids to Universal Studios.

- 4. While shopping at Changi Airport, you bought a PSP game console and VCD player, among other things. Who were these for? Is it for a special occasion?**

The PSP Console was bought for my son, and the VCD player was for my daughter.

- 5. Did you think about the Draw again after that day or have an inkling that you somehow might be lucky?**

Yes, I did think of the draw but didn't think I would win anything.

- 6. Have you won anything in lucky draws or contests previously?**

No, I have never won anything in any lucky draw or competition.

- 7. Was your trip to Singapore in July your first time at Changi Airport? If not, when had you previously visited?**

We visited the Changi Airport twice before - first in October 2003 for my honeymoon, then again in July 2005 with my relatives, specifically to show them Sentosa Island.

**8. What are your impressions about Changi Airport?**

Changi Airport is 'wow'! It is the most beautiful airport with the best facilities you can think of and it is perfect for shopping. We have been to many major airports before including Hong Kong, France, Switzerland, Italy, London and many other smaller airports, but no other airport can compare. We loved the showers we could use. The gardens are perfect and you forget that you're indoors. The personnel were professional, helpful and friendly. Everyone that use Changi Airport should make sure they have enough time to spend at the airport before leaving on their flight.

**9. What will you do with S\$1 million if you do win the Grand Prize? Please provide some specific examples.**

First, I will give 5% to a charity of my choice in Singapore. Then, I will use a small amount for travelling and the rest, I will invest for my retirement.

**10. Finally, what are your thoughts about the Grand Draw in January next year! Will you carry a lucky charm? Who will you bring to Singapore?**

I think this is a great event. It is a perfect way to promote and market Changi Airport and Singapore by including other nationalities in your draw. Yes, I will bring a lucky charm - my wife will accompany me!

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