

Ex-DJ in the running to become Changi Millionaire

Camera purchase turns out to be lucky ticket to million-dollar fortune

SINGAPORE, 23 December 2010 – A spontaneous purchase of a DSLR camera at Changi Airport puts former Perfect 10 disc jockey, Ivan Rantung, on the shortlist to become a millionaire just by shopping at Changi. Mr Rantung, 39, who runs his own events company, has been picked as the monthly winner of the ‘Be a Changi Millionaire’ Draw for the month of October. As a finalist of the Draw, he stands a one-in-six chance of winning the grand prize of \$1 million in cash.

The father-of-two had always wanted to invest in a quality camera that can better capture the beautiful moments and precious memories he shares with his family and children. Married to former TV presenter Lisa Ang, Mr Rantung has a six-year old daughter and a two-year old son. In October this year, he was shopping at the Departure Transit Mall of Terminal 2 before catching a SilkAir flight to Kota Kinabalu, when he bought a Canon DSLR camera for about S\$4,900 at the Digital Imaging store by Sprint Caas, which retails digital lifestyle products.

“This is the luckiest bet I’ve ever got so far!” said Mr Rantung, who has never gotten such luck with lottery or other lucky draws before. Come January 2011, his whole family would be rooting for him in the Grand Draw. Describing his wife’s reaction when she first heard the news, he said, “She is very happy for all of us! This would just be the best New Year gift for our family, if we were to get it of course,” said Mr Rantung.

Should their wish come true, the Rantungs will be able to fulfil every exciting plan that they have been dreaming about. “We have, of course, built some little castles in the air. But we don’t want to jinx it, so we’re not telling!” he quipped.

Describing Changi as a “top class airport that never compromises on quality”, Mr Rantung visits Changi about twice a month with his family just to rest and relax. “My family and I are always at the airport ...because my little boy loves airplanes, and we always head to Swenson’s at Terminal 2 for dinner,” he said.

As the monthly winner for October, Mr Rantung wins S\$5,000 in cash plus a three day/two night stay in a luxurious hotel¹. The ‘Be a Changi Millionaire’ Draw, which kicked off on 1 June 2010, has a Grand Prize of S\$1 million – 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, whose names are drawn upon the close of every month from June to November 2010. Besides the Grand Prize, there are 188 other cash prizes totalling more than S\$200,000.

Singaporeans contribute a significant 20% to total concession sales at Changi Airport. So far, three out of five finalists picked are Singaporeans, including Mr Rantung. They will join an Australian, a South African and the last monthly winner for the final month of November in the ‘Be a Changi Millionaire’ Grand Draw, which will be held in January next year.

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 October. Each wins a cash prize of S\$1,000. The daily winners comprise nationals of many countries including 12 from Singapore, seven from Malaysia, and two from Australia. Other winners come from China, India, Spain, Thai, Vietnam, Papua New Guinea, Mauritius, Egypt, Portugal and Sri Lanka.

Winning entries ranged from a purchase of just S\$70 on duty free items at Terminal 2, to a more-than-S\$6,000 purchase at Gassan Watches at Terminal 3.

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

About Changi Airport Group

Changi Airport Group (Singapore) Pte Ltd (CAG) (www.changiairportgroup.com) was formed on 16 June 2009 and the corporatisation of Singapore Changi Airport followed on 1 July 2009. As the 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 internationally.

Changi Airport (www.changiairport.com) has handled more than 40 million passenger movements in 2010, crossing a new milestone in passenger traffic. Its previous traffic record was set in 2008, when 37.7 million passenger movements were registered for the year. Presently, Changi serves 98 airlines flying to some 200 cities in about 60 countries and territories worldwide. A flight takes off or lands at Changi roughly once every two minutes.

About 'Be a Changi Millionaire'

To qualify for the Millionaire Draw, passengers and visitors simply needed to shop or dine at Changi Airport, with a minimum spend of just S\$60. The number of chances increased exponentially with the amount spent. Additional chances were given to 'Changi Rewards' members or those who pay with Visa cards. Purchases made in both the public and transit areas of Changi Airport qualified for the Draw. The qualifying period was 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 win S\$5,000 in cash², 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.

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Ten questions with ... Ivan Rantung

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

I thought my friend was playing a joke on me.

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

Very excited, but I don't want to get my hopes up just in case ...

- 3. What brought you to Changi Airport in October? Where were you going to and what airline did you fly with? Were you on vacation?**

I was travelling to Kota Kinabalu on Silk Air. It was a business trip.

- 4. While shopping at Changi Airport, you bought a camera. Who was it for? Is it for a special occasion?**

It's to capture all my wonderful moments with my family and friends.

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

All the time ...

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

Never in my life.

- 7. What are your impressions about Changi Airport?**

Top class and never compromising on quality. Great Job!

- 8. Do you visit Changi Airport frequently? If so, whatever for and what do you usually do here? Do you visit Changi even when you're not flying?**

My family and I are always at the airport, probably twice a month, because my little boy loves airplanes, and we always head to Swenson's at Terminal 2 for dinner.

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

My family has, of course, built some little castles in the air. But we don't want to jinx it, so we're not telling!

10. Finally, what are your thoughts about the Grand Draw in January next year? Will you carry a lucky charm?

Haven't thought about it yet, but I have to say my family is my lucky charm!
