

## Early Christmas present for Seaton couple, courtesy of Westcountry **team**

A Seaton couple were presented with an early Christmas present last month - a cheque for £1,000 as the winners of Westcountry **team**'s Autumn Prize Draw.

The largest South West network of independent estate agents launched its free prize draw back in July. Everyone who invited their local **team** estate agent to provide a market valuation of their property between 1<sup>st</sup> August and 31<sup>st</sup> October was entered into the draw to win £1,000, plus a bonus of £4,000 if the agent was instructed to sell the property prior to the draw taking place, bringing the total possible prize value to £5,000.



With over 100 **team** estate agents across the South West, there were hundreds of entries. On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December, Chris Charles, manager of the Jack in the Green - Michelin and Good Food Guide recommended bar and restaurant in Rockbeare, Exeter – selected Mr & Mrs Hooper's entry as the winner at random by delving into the large box of entries.

The valuation of Mr and Mrs Hooper's home – on the highly sought-after western side of Seaton – was provided by the Fortnam Smith and Banwell office in Seaton back in September.

The couple were presented with their cheque for £1,000 just before Christmas, by Julie White, director of Seaton's Fortnam Smith and Banwell. The Hooper's home isn't yet on the market but the couple are delighted to have won. Mr Hooper said: "We have never won anything before so it was a complete surprise when Julie called us to let us know that our entry had been drawn as the winner. It was really wonderful news. We're thinking about moving in 2012 so when we have made the decision to put the house on the market, we'll definitely be going to Fortnam Smith and Banwell!"

Julie said: "We're thrilled for Mr & Mrs Hooper – they are such a lovely couple and were genuinely surprised when I called them with the news."

Steve Moir, chairman of Westcountry **team**, said: “We’re delighted with the amount of entries we received into the Prize Draw and the timing worked out really well, with the cheque being awarded to the winners just before Christmas. **team** estate agents are professional agencies, all well-established with years of local knowledge and experience and working together to sell client’s homes with what is effectively a multi-agency service for a sole agency fee, along with a raft of other benefits including unrivalled high street and in-print marketing exposure as well as more online coverage than any other agent.”

For further details or to book an appointment for a market valuation, call or pop into your local **team** office. To find your nearest **team** estate agent, check the local press or visit [www.westcountryteam.com](http://www.westcountryteam.com).

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**Notes to editors:**

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