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402-595-2065*

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11 YEARS of Truck\$ & Buck\$



Pam Ballinger of Cedar Creek won the fourth Toyota Tundra in the Road To Riches Tundra Givaway.

In 1996, the Nebraska Lottery introduced a new Scratch game: Truck\$ & Buck\$. The game soon became a customer favorite as players purchased Truck\$ & Buck\$ tickets for a chance to win a new vehicle. The first truck winner was Mike Firestone of Lincoln, who received a 1997 Ford F-150 Super Cab 4x4 in June 1996. Since then, dozens of Ford, Chevrolet, Dodge and Toyota vehicles have been given away to lucky players.

2007 marks the eleventh anniversary of Truck\$ & Buck\$. Players had the opportunity to win one of three Toyota Tundras as well as \$624,200 in total cash prizes. Each Tundra featured 50 state emissions, 18" alloy wheels, running boards, JBL six speaker AM/FM/CD stereo, keyless entry system, limited slip

differential, front bench seat with 8-way driver – 4-way passenger adjustments, and bedliner. The truck prize was valued at \$44,000, which includes \$1,102 for costs associated with ownership and state and federal withholding paid by the Nebraska Lottery of \$2,200 and \$11,000, respectively.





Nicole Lobato of Hastings claimed the first Tundra prize in the eleventh edition of Truck\$ & Buck\$ on July 25. Lobato purchased her winning Truck\$ & Buck\$ ticket at Midtowne Mart, 1921 West 2nd St. in Hastings. "I never knew how I was going to act if I ever won anything big," said Lobato. "I had to ask about 20 people to actually believe it happened."



The second Tundra was claimed by Michael Franks of Gibbon on August 6. Franks, a regular Nebraska Lottery player and previous winner, purchased his winning Truck\$ & Buck\$ ticket at Foote

Convenience Plaza, 1810 East Hwy 30 in Kearney. During the presentation event, he told Nebraska Lottery officials that he was "excited" and "couldn't believe" that he had won the truck prize.



Kirk Niles of Aurora was the third and final Tundra prize winner. Niles purchased his winning Truck\$ & Buck\$ ticket at the Pump & Pantry, 1304 Q St. in Aurora. Nebraska Lottery officials presented Niles with his prize on August 23. He stated that the first person he told about winning the truck was his father. "I pulled off to the side of the road and called my dad. It was about eight in the morning and I think I woke him up. I couldn't believe it," said Niles.

The odds of winning the top prize in Truck\$ & Buck\$ were 1 in 160,000 while the overall odds of winning any prize were 1 in 3.66.

DID YOU KNOW?

Since the Nebraska Lottery began operations on September 11, 1993, sales have totaled over \$1 billion. Over \$296 million in proceeds has been distributed to Nebraska Lottery beneficiary funds in quarterly transfers.

chopper roars to life *for contest winner*



Before a crowd of more than 1,000, and with the help of the Teutuls of the American Chopper television program, 16 semi-finalists in the Roads to Riches OCC™ Giveaway gathered on Saturday, June 23, to learn the answer to the burning question, "Who will win the chopper?"

After a series of elimination rounds, and with a roar of the crowd and from the exhaust pipes of the chopper, the answer to the question was Mike Morrison, an architect for the Army Corps of Engineers in Omaha.

Morrison and fellow finalist

Eric Seamann of Gibbon took turns selecting keys from a covered container. Each key was inserted by Paul Teutul, Sr. into the chopper's ignition. Only one of six keys in the container fit the ignition; that key came in the third round of selections.

Five second place winners each received \$1,000:

Eric Seamann of Gibbon

Rod Maret of McCook

David Soldan of Lincoln

Charles Paulson of Papillion

Jerry Nuttelmann of Columbus

The Roads to Riches OCC™ Giveaway allowed players to send in \$10 worth of non-winning \$2 Scratch tickets for a chance to win a custom Orange County Chopper. Four preliminary drawings were held during April, May and June to select a total of 16 semi-finalists to compete for cash prizes and an OCC™ custom chopper during the Grand Prize Giveaway as part of the Power Up Bike Rally at State Fair Park in Lincoln, June 22-24.

The complete list of contestants included:

Rodney Blevins *of Stanton*

Tracy Middleton *of Lincoln*

Rod Maret *of McCook*

Greg Weber *of Fremont*

Leigh Smith *of North Bend*

Steven McDunn *of Lincoln*

Eric Seamann *of Gibbon*

Mike Morrison *of Woodbine, IA*

Jay Walton *of Waverly*

David Soldan *of Lincoln*

Lyle Uttecht *of Lincoln*

Valerie Mason *of Minatare*

Bruce Schuetz *of Humboldt*

Charles Paulson *of Papillion*

Chad Curtis *of North Platte*

Jerry Nuttelmann *of Columbus*

The Grand Prize 2007 Orange County Choppers™ motorcycle was designed for the Nebraska Lottery and signed by OCC™ founder Paul Teutul, Sr. and sons Paul Jr. and Mikey. All semi-finalists also received a Nebraska Lottery prize package, and \$50 worth of Ethanol Enriched Fuel courtesy of the Nebraska Ethanol Coalition.





Nebraska Lottery Marks 13 Years Of Powerball

On July 21, 1994, the Nebraska Lottery began offering Powerball, as part of the Multi-state Lottery Association.

Over the past 13 years, Nebraska Lottery Powerball players have won more than 10 million prizes totaling more than \$617 million.

Among those prizes, the Nebraska Lottery has recorded nine Powerball jackpot winners with total winnings of more than \$538 million. The nine jackpot winners are:

Lyle and Dianne Fleharty
of Hastings

\$50.1 million, July 30, 1994

Connie Daily
of North Platte

*\$50.5 million (split \$101 million with an Indiana winner),
November 30, 1994*

Donald and Rita Polak
of Prague

\$8.1 million on April 19, 1995

Greg Klein
of Milford

\$2.5 million (split \$5 million with an Indiana winner), April 24, 1996

Richard and Iris Johnson
of Ayr

\$18.5 million (cash option on \$33 million), November 28, 1998

Marilyn and Charles Anderson
of North Platte

\$2.54 million (cash option on \$10 million split with a Kentucky winner), November 3, 1999

Shirley Brewer
of Omaha

\$7.5 million (cash option on \$14 million), August 26, 2000

Steven Herber
of Omaha

*\$5.6 million (cash option on 1/3 share of \$30 million, also won in Arizona and Pennsylvania),
December 22, 2004*

Quang Dao, David Gehle, Alain Maboussou, Chasity Rutjens, Robert Stewart, Michael Terpstra, Dung Tran and Eric Zornes
of Lincoln
\$365 million, February 18, 2006

In addition to nine jackpot winners, Nebraska Lottery players have won the following major Powerball prizes:










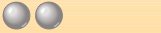




27 winners of \$200,000
168 winners of \$100,000
140 winners of \$10,000
904 winners of \$5,000

There are nine ways to win with Powerball: prizes range from \$3 to the multi-million dollar jackpot.

Powerball drawings are held on Wednesday and Saturday nights. Powerball is played by selecting five white ball numbers between 1 and 55, and one red Powerball between 1 and 42.



The odds of winning Powerball prizes vary by prize:

Match White Balls:	Match Red Balls:	Win Prize*:	Odds Per \$1 Play:
		Jackpot	1:146,107,962
		\$200,000	1:3,563,608
		\$10,000	1:584,432
		\$100	1:12,249
		\$100	1:10,685
		\$7	1:261
		\$7	1:697
		\$4	1:124
		\$3	1:70

* The overall odds of winning something playing Powerball are 1 in 36.60

Total sales of Powerball in Nebraska have surpassed \$380 million. Those sales translate into more than \$91 million for education, the environment, the Nebraska State Fair and compulsive gamblers assistance. Over \$296 million has been raised by the Nebraska Lottery for its beneficiary funds, from Scratch and Lotto ticket sales, since 1993. Every county in Nebraska has benefited from projects funded by Nebraska Lottery proceeds.



Holiday Scratch Games

Coming this winter is a new lineup of holiday-themed \$1, \$3 and \$5 Scratch games perfect for your gift giving needs.

At the \$1 price point is Holiday Buck\$, which features a quick play style and Nebraska wildlife photography from the Nebraska Game & Parks Commission.

At the \$3 price point is Naughty or Nice Crossword. Featuring the popular crossword play style, Naughty or Nice Crossword allows players to win \$979,500 in total cash prizes. Scratch off the play area to reveal three or more names for prizes from \$3 to \$35,000.

At the \$5 price point is Merry Money Multiplier, which features graphics of Santa Claus and Christmas presents. All three holiday-themed Scratch games will be available at Nebraska Lottery retailers starting in November 2007.

During your holiday shopping this winter, consider these Nebraska Lottery tickets as stocking stuffers, gifts for coworkers, or something fun for the person who already has everything. You could even wrap a little something for yourself. And to give your gift with style, printable cards for "wrapping" tickets are available on nelottery.com – just print, fold and give.

PLAYER\$ *Paradise*

Nebraska City Man Wins \$40,000 Powerball with Power Play Prize



Robert Cargill of Nebraska City turned a \$10,000 Powerball prize into \$40,000 by adding Power Play to his purchase.

Cargill purchased a quick pick Powerball ticket for the April 21 draw at Sauers 66 at 89th and Center in Omaha. The ticket contained four of the five winning white ball numbers (22, 26, 28, 33, 45) and the

Powerball number (17) for \$10,000.

Because he added the \$1 Power Play option, Cargill's prize was multiplied by the Power Play multiplier of four for a total win of \$40,000.

While claiming his prize, Cargill told Nebraska Lottery officials that he had never selected the Power Play option before, but the radio and TV commercial for the April Power Play 10X promotion changed his mind. Cargill and wife Nanette said they had no immediate plans for their winnings except to pay bills and then adding, "Our children and grandchildren will share in our good fortune."

The odds of winning a \$10,000 Powerball prize are 1 in 584,432. Adding the \$1 Power Play option, which does not affect the odds of winning, gives players a 1 in 4 chance at multiplying their winnings between 2 and 5 times.



Humboldt Man Wins \$200,000 Powerball Prize



Michael Riley of Humboldt recently won \$200,000 playing Powerball from the Nebraska Lottery.

Riley purchased a quick pick ticket for the May 9 draw at Shell Speedee Mart, 802 J Street in Auburn. The ticket contained all five of the winning white ball numbers (2, 13, 30, 44, 52) for the \$200,000 prize. Twenty-seven Nebraskans have won the \$200,000 Powerball prize to date.

While claiming his prize, Riley told Nebraska Lottery officials that he was "overjoyed and elated" to win \$200,000. Riley learned of his win by checking the winning numbers on the Nebraska Lottery web site, nelottery.com. He plans to pay bills with his winnings.

The odds of winning \$200,000 playing Powerball are 1 in 3,563,609 while the overall odds of winning a prize are 1 in 36.60.



Decatur Man Wins \$50,000 Casino Cash Prize

Chad Hircock of Decatur won \$50,000 playing the \$5 Scratch game Casino Cash from the Nebraska Lottery.

Hircock purchased his winning Casino Cash ticket at Decatur Express, 702 South Broadway in Decatur. The ticket contained two card symbols that beat the dealer's hand in game one for a corresponding prize of \$50,000. There are two \$50,000 top prizes available in the game.

While claiming his prize on April 10, Hircock told Nebraska Lottery officials that he scratched off the ticket at home and "couldn't believe" that he had won the top prize. He plans to use his winnings to pay for a new car and a honeymoon trip.

Casino Cash is a \$5 Scratch ticket that offers players the chance to win \$643,960 in cash prizes from \$5 to \$50,000. The odds of winning the \$50,000 top prize are 1 in 120,000, while the overall odds of winning any prize are 1 in 3.40.



Lincoln Man Wins \$150,000 Crossword Doubler Top Prize

Dwayne Ryder of Lincoln won \$150,000 playing the \$10 Scratch game \$150,000 Crossword Doubler from the Nebraska Lottery.

Ryder purchased his winning Crossword Doubler ticket at Kwik Shop, 2940 North 14th Street in Lincoln. The ticket contained 11 complete words for the \$150,000 top prize. There are two top prizes available in \$150,000 Crossword Doubler; Ryder is the first person to claim a top prize to date.

While claiming his prize on May 7, Ryder told Nebraska Lottery officials that he didn't believe he had won the \$150,000 prize at first. After his wife checked the ticket, Ryder discovered that he had forgotten to scratch off two letters in the crossword. He stated that he was "excited" about his win and has no definite plans for the prize at this time.

The odds of winning the \$150,000 top prize in \$150,000 Crossword Doubler are 1 in 120,000, while the overall odds of winning any prize are 1 in 3.05.



Fullerton Couple Wins \$50,000 Nebraska Pick 5 Jackpot



Vickie and Jim Borqheijnck of Fullerton recently won \$50,000 playing Nebraska Pick 5.

The Borqheijncks purchased their winning Nebraska Pick 5 ticket for the April 21 draw at Casey's General Store, 1005 Johnson Street in Fullerton. The quick pick ticket contained all five of the winning numbers (09, 15, 21, 24, 31) for the \$50,000 jackpot. Vickie and Jim found out they had won by calling the Nebraska Lottery Player's Hotline (800-224-LUCK) and double-checking the numbers.

When asked about their plans for their prize, the couple told Nebraska Lottery officials that they are not much for traveling. However, Vickie said they might use their winnings to visit their daughters in Missouri and Ohio. They also plan on paying off some bills and saving the rest.

The odds of winning the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot are 1 in 501,942 while the overall odds of winning a prize in the game are 1 in 8.



Lincoln Man Wins \$10,000 Powerball Prize

Ron Hawkins of Lincoln recently won \$10,000 playing Powerball from the Nebraska Lottery.

Hawkins purchased his winning Powerball ticket for the May 2 draw at Kwik Shop, 2330 North First Street in Lincoln. The five-play quick pick ticket contained one play with four of the five winning white ball numbers (1, 8, 35, 40, 47) and the Powerball number (9) for \$10,000.

Hawkins wasted no time in claiming his prize, arriving at Nebraska Lottery headquarters the morning following the drawing. He told Nebraska Lottery officials that, after seeing the winning numbers during a local news-cast, his first reaction was that he was "one number off" from winning the Powerball jackpot. However, he was still "glad to win" the \$10,000 prize, and plans to save his winnings.

The odds of winning \$10,000 playing Powerball are 1 in 584,432, while the overall odds are 1 in 36.60.



DID YOU KNOW?

A hybrid vehicle uses two or more distinct power or fuel sources for propulsion, such as an internal combustion engine and electric motors. Hybrid automobiles often generate less pollution and have higher fuel efficiency than conventional vehicles.

\$200,000 Lucky 7's Casino Prize for Yankton, SD Man

Jeffrey Swedeen of Yankton, South Dakota won \$200,000 playing the \$10 Scratch game Lucky 7's Casino from the Nebraska Lottery.

Swedeen purchased his Lucky 7's Casino ticket at Yankton Shop EZ, 89823 Hwy 81 in South Yankton, Nebraska. The ticket contained matching numbers in game seven for a corresponding prize of \$200,000.

While claiming his prize on April 11, Swedeen told Nebraska Lottery officials that he reacted with "disbelief" when he realized that he had won \$200,000. He plans to pay bills and attend graduate school with his winnings.

There are two \$200,000 top prizes available in the game. Swedeen is the first person to claim a Lucky 7's Casino top prize.

The odds of winning \$200,000 playing Lucky 7's Casino are 1 in 180,000 while the overall odds are 1 in 2.99.



\$35,000 Bonus Crossword Prize for Holdrege Man

Marvin Reeder of Holdrege won \$35,000 playing the \$3 Scratch game Bonus Crossword from the Nebraska Lottery.

Reeder purchased his winning Bonus Crossword ticket at Pump & Pantry, 916 Fourth Street in Holdrege. The ticket contained 10 complete words for the \$35,000 top prize. There are three \$35,000 top prizes available in Bonus Crossword. Reeder is the second person to claim a top prize to date; Delores Mitzelfelt of Sargent won the first Bonus Crossword top prize in March 2007.

While claiming his prize on May 25, Reeder told Nebraska Lottery officials that he was "surprised" to learn he had won the \$35,000 prize. He plans to pay bills with his winnings.

The odds of winning the \$35,000 top prize in Bonus Crossword are 1 in 960,000 while the overall odds are 1 in 3.39.



O'Neill Man Wins \$78,000 Nebraska Pick 5 Jackpot



Arnold Babl of O'Neill recently won \$78,000 playing Nebraska Pick 5 from the Nebraska Lottery.

Babl purchased his winning ticket for the May 21 draw at Pump & Pantry, 328 West Douglas in O'Neill. The two-play ticket contained one play with all five of the winning numbers (2, 5, 15, 22, 38) for the \$78,000 jackpot. Over 100 Nebraska Lottery players have won the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot to date.

Babl wasted no time in claiming his prize, arriving at Nebraska Lottery headquarters the day after the drawing. A regular Nebraska Pick 5 player, Babl learned of his win after calling the Nebraska Lottery Player's Hotline (800-224-LUCK). His first reaction to learning that he had won \$78,000 was that he "didn't know if it was real." He has no definite plans for his winnings at this time.

The odds of winning the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot are 1 in 501,942 while the overall odds of winning a prize in the game are 1 in 8.



Lincoln Woman Wins \$9,000 Playing Nebraska Pick 5

Carol McKinney of Lincoln recently won a total of \$9,000 playing Nebraska Pick 5 from the Nebraska Lottery.

McKinney purchased four identical Nebraska Pick 5 tickets for the May 18 draw at U-Stop, 610 South Tenth Street in Lincoln. Each ticket contained five plays. The plays contained four of the five winning numbers (02, 04, 18, 29, 33) for \$450, making each ticket worth \$2,250 for a total prize of \$9,000.

Over 27,000 Nebraska Lottery players have won the \$450 prize in Nebraska Pick 5 to date. The odds of winning \$450 playing Nebraska Pick 5 are 1 in 3,042 while the overall odds of winning a prize in the game are 1 in 8.



DID YOU KNOW?

Nine jackpots ranging from \$2.5 million to \$365 million have been won in Nebraska since the Nebraska Lottery began offering Powerball in July of 1994. The highest recorded Powerball jackpot was in February 2006 when a group of eight coworkers at the ConAgra Foods ham and corned beef plant in Lincoln split a \$365 million jackpot.

Lincoln Woman Wins \$700 Sapphire Blue 7's Prize

Constance Veatch of Lincoln won \$700 playing the \$2 Scratch game Sapphire Blue 7's from the Nebraska Lottery.

Veatch purchased her winning Sapphire Blue 7's ticket at Kwik Shop, 5600 Holdrege St. in Lincoln. The ticket contained one "7" symbol with a corresponding prize of \$700. There are twenty \$700 prizes available in the game.

While claiming her prize on July 16, Veatch told Nebraska Lottery officials that she was "shocked" to realize that she had won \$700. She plans to use her winnings to help purchase a new vehicle.

The odds of winning \$700 playing Sapphire Blue 7's are 1 in 48,000 while the overall odds of winning any prize are 1 in 3.79.



\$20,003 2by2 Prize for Syracuse Woman

Sarah Carey of Syracuse recently won a total of \$20,003 playing 2by2 from the Nebraska Lottery.

Carey purchased her winning 2by2 ticket for the June 13 draw at Syracuse Shur Save, 371 Fifth St. in Syracuse. The ticket contained three plays. One play matched the winning red ball numbers (5, 7) and white ball numbers (5, 8) for \$20,000. Another play matched one red ball number and one white ball number for \$3, making Carey's total win \$20,003.

While claiming her prize at Nebraska Lottery headquarters the day after the drawing, Carey told Nebraska Lottery officials that she learned of her win after watching a local newscast. She plans to save her winnings for the future.

Over 131 Nebraska Lottery players have won the \$20,000 2by2 top prize to date. The odds of winning the \$20,000 top prize are 1 in 105,625 while the overall odds are 1 in 3.59.



DID YOU KNOW?

Nebraska's state park system encompasses 87 areas across the state, with parklands to suit virtually every outdoor taste. For more information about Nebraska state parks, visit the Nebraska Game & Parks Commission web site at www.ngpc.state.ne.us.

Quick Pick Ticket Wins Nebraska Pick 5 Jackpot for Scottsbluff Woman



Carrie Atchison of Scottsbluff recently won \$142,000 playing Nebraska Pick 5 from the Nebraska Lottery.

Atchison purchased a five-play quick pick ticket for the June 26 draw at Sinclair Super Shop, 902 West Overland in Scottsbluff. One play on the ticket contained all five winning numbers (01, 18, 31, 32, 38) for the \$142,000 jackpot. Over 113 Nebraska Lottery players have won the Nebraska Pick 5 rolling jackpot to date.

While claiming her prize a few days after the drawing, Atchison told Nebraska Lottery officials that she was “shocked” to learn she had purchased the \$142,000 winning ticket. She learned of her win after her husband checked the winning numbers on the Nebraska Lottery web site, nelottery.com. Atchison plans to pay bills with her winnings.

The odds of winning the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot, which starts at \$50,000 and grows by \$4,000 each time it is not won, are 1 in 501,942 while the overall odds of winning a prize in the game are 1 in 8.



Lincoln Woman Wins \$50,000 Playing Powerball with Power Play



Doris Killin of Lincoln recently won \$50,000 playing Powerball with Power Play from the Nebraska Lottery.

Killin, who works at the Sinclair station at 2941 NW 48th St. in Lincoln, generated a multi-draw quick pick Powerball ticket for a customer on March 20. The customer requested a change after the ticket was printed, so Killin purchased the ticket for herself and generated a new ticket for the customer.

The original ticket contained one play with four of the five winning white ball numbers (16, 24, 38, 53, 54) and the Powerball number (5) from the March 21 drawing for \$10,000. Because the \$1 Power Play option was selected, Killin's \$10,000 prize was multiplied by the Power Play multiplier of five for a total prize of \$50,000.

While claiming her prize, Killin told Nebraska Lottery officials that she learned of her win from her store manager, who told her that a \$50,000 Powerball ticket was sold at their location. She said that the knowledge that she won \$50,000 “hasn't sunk in yet.” She plans to start savings accounts for her grandchildren and possibly travel using her winnings.

The odds of winning a \$10,000 Powerball prize are 1 in 584,432. Players that add Power Play to their purchase have a 1 in 4 chance at multiplying their winnings between 2 and 5 times.



Scottsbluff Lottery Group Wins \$70,000 Nebraska Pick 5 Jackpot

A group of nine coworkers at a Scottsbluff business recently won \$70,000 playing Nebraska Pick 5 from the Nebraska Lottery.



Angela Ysac purchases tickets for a weekly lottery group at Alliance Data in Scottsbluff. The other members of the group are Joyce Walker; Lana Anderson; Sally Pardue; Deb Conklin; LeAnn Templar; Olga Torrez; Jesse Perez and Dixie Mathson. For the July 3 draw, Ysac purchased nine tickets at Plaza Foods, 401 S. Beltline Hwy West in Scottsbluff. One ticket contained all five of the winning numbers (3, 12, 16, 31, 36) from the July 3 draw for the \$70,000 jackpot.

While claiming the prize on July 10, Ysac stated that she was in “total disbelief and shock” after learning that she had purchased the \$70,000 winning ticket for the group. The lottery group members will split the jackpot and have many different plans for their winnings, including paying bills, taking trips, purchasing new vehicles, setting up college funds and donating to charity.

Over 113 Nebraska Lottery players have won the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot to date. The odds of winning the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot, which starts at \$50,000 and grows by \$4,000 each time it is not won, are 1 in 501,942 while the overall odds of winning a prize in the game are 1 in 8.



Ogallala Man Wins \$1,400 Playing Nebraska Pick 3

Robert Moore of Ogallala recently won a total of \$1,400 playing Nebraska Pick 3 from the Nebraska Lottery.

Moore purchased four identical Nebraska Pick 3 tickets for the April 27 draw at Pump & Pantry, 730 East First Street in Ogallala. Each ticket contained four plays with the Straight/Box bet type selected. One play on each of the four tickets matched the winning numbers 4, 3, 7 for \$350, making Moore's total win \$1,400.

The odds of winning \$350 playing Nebraska Pick 3 are 1 in 1,000 and the odds of winning any prize vary with the bet type selected.



Omaha Woman Wins \$200,000 Playing 10 Times Lucky



Lisa Buschelman of Omaha won \$200,000 playing the \$10 Scratch game 10 Times Lucky from the Nebraska Lottery.

Buschelman's winning 10 Times Lucky ticket was purchased at West Dodge BP, 7911 West Dodge Road in Omaha. Buschelman's husband, who works near the retailer, purchased the ticket while on a break. The ticket contained matching numbers for a corresponding \$200,000 prize. There are two \$200,000 top prizes available in the game. Buschelman is the first person to claim a 10 Times Lucky top prize to date.

While claiming her prize on July 20, Buschelman told Nebraska Lottery officials that she was "shocked" to discover that she had won \$200,000. At this time, Buschelman has no plans for her prize except to save her winnings for the future.

10 Times Lucky is a \$10 Scratch game that offers players the chance to win \$2,628,500 in cash prizes from \$10 to \$200,000. The odds of winning the \$200,000 top prize in 10 Times Lucky are 1 in 180,000 while the odds of winning any prize are 1 in 2.68.



Cozad Woman Wins \$50,000 Jackpot Riches Prize



Anna Sanchez of Cozad won \$50,000 playing the \$5 Scratch game Jackpot Riches from the Nebraska Lottery.

Sanchez purchased her winning Jackpot Riches ticket at Cozad Amoco, 801 South Meridian in Cozad. The ticket contained matching symbols for the \$50,000 top prize. There are two top prizes available in the game. Sanchez is the last person to claim a Jackpot Riches

top prize.

While claiming her prize on May 21, Sanchez told Nebraska Lottery officials that her reaction to winning \$50,000 was thinking, "I'm out of debt." She plans to pay bills and purchase a new house using her winnings.

The odds of winning the \$50,000 Jackpot Riches top prize are 1 in 180,000 while the overall odds are 1 in 3.31.



Previous Contest Winners

In the Spring 2007 issue of the Nebraska Lottery Players Digest, a fun contest challenged readers to complete nine words in a crossword puzzle. A total of fifty winners were selected in two drawings on June 1 and June 29.

Here is the complete list of winners:

June 1 Drawing

9 words

Karen Kraft, Hastings
Rick Bennett, Nebraska City
Sandy Anderson, Omaha
Brad Polt, Pierce
Linda Doyle, Omaha
Debbie Walker, Omaha
Chris Gerken, Bellevue
Brenda Clarke, La Vista
Susan Ellingson, Norfolk
Lana Polt, Pierce
Veronica Dittrick, Verdigre
Cynthia Dunn, Wakefield
Debra Onate, Kearney
Tammy Dickey, Spencer
Bernard Hallett, Omaha
Sheila Wilen, Council Bluffs, IA
Scott Rasmussen, Lincoln
Wayne King, Bellevue
Kathy Meyer, Nebraska City
Jan Haumont, Grand Island
Don Harshbarger, Humboldt
Linda Noland, Omaha
Rich Nelson, Lincoln
Connell Rector, Lincoln

7 words

Maggie Blazek, Lincoln

June 29 Drawing

9 words

Mike Lynch, Grand Island
Rick Bennett, Nebraska City
Gary Belders, Broken Bow
Pearl Curry, Lincoln
Carolyn Gress, Nebraska City
Charles Uhlarik, Omaha
Marlene Quinn, Ainsworth
Paul Workman, David City
Raymond Paulus, Council Bluffs, IA
Mark Warren, Lincoln
Stephanie McClure, Plattsmouth
Connie Holdorf, Wayne
James Miller, Lincoln
Kimberley Warren, Lincoln
Shane Leighton, Lincoln
Rick Lynch, St. Libory
Allan Ronkar, Columbus
Frank Short, Lincoln
Lee Lewellyn, Hastings
Kathleen Tautfest, Lincoln
Melissa Fry, Beaver Crossing
Steve Janulewicz, Springfield

8 words

Patti Crites, Elm Creek
Terri Olander, Bloomfield
Susie Taylor, Geneva

7 words

Pam Petereit, Cedar Creek

For each of the words identified, winners received five Nebraska Lottery Scratch and Lotto ticket coupons – maximum total prize value \$45.

more winners

winners from
may 2007 to august 2007
claimed at nebraska lottery claim centers

August – 2007

Nebraska Pick 3® - \$550
Suzanne Myers, North Platte
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$600
Sharen J. Kallhoff, S. Sioux City
Amos Reed, Omaha (x2)
Beverly Staley, Omaha (x2)
Winifred Stephens, Bellevue
Wade L. Stephens, Bellevue (x2)
Larry L. Kennedy, Omaha (x3)
Larry Braxton, Omaha
Wendy M. Wilson, Alliance
Samuel Hellbusch, Creston
Wordie Wright, Lincoln
Jean M. Morris, Genoa
Margaret Damme, Lincoln
Angela T. Washington, Omaha
Eddie Walker III, Omaha
Paul E. Mollak, Omaha
Linda Schumacher, Omaha
Darren Wallace, McCook (x2)
Janice Carman, Gibbon
Bob H. Butterfield, North Platte
Melvin Rein, Gering
Karleen C. Stutzman, Raymond
Edward Woltemath, Sedgwick, CO
Thomas Mann, Lincoln
Wesley Davis, Omaha
Kenneth Polland, Omaha
Dave L. Kraegel, Lincoln
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$700
Dennis Nielsen, Omaha
Gayle Carey, Blair
Jorge O. Vasquez, Fremont
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$950
Joy Zimmer, Duncan
10 Times Lucky® - \$2,500
Emanuel Hulinsky, Burwell
**\$150,000 Crossword
Doubler - \$1,000**
Dan B. Wilken, Hampton
**\$500,000 Cash Jubilee -
\$5,000**
Suzanne Myers, North Platte
Cow Tips® - \$2,000
Barbara Sand, Lincoln
\$35,000 Bingo - \$1,000
Rodney J. Grady, Lincoln
Sapphire Blue 7's® - \$700
Neil Anderson, Lincoln
Julie Lerch, Bellwood
Josh Page, Crete
Bernie Rustermier, Lincoln
Sapphire Blue 7's® - \$17,000
Lora L. Pavlin, Culbertson
Nicholas E. Chandler, Omaha
Truck\$ & Buck\$® - TRUCK
Kirk Niles, Aurora
Michael Frank, Gibbon
Pam Ballinger, Cedar Creek
(2nd Chance Winner)
Vegas® - Las Vegas Trip
Vincent D. Sis, Stratton
Super Crossword® - \$1,000
Ivan Colon Melendez, Grand Island
Super Crossword® - \$50,000

Barbara Cook, Omaha
Nebraska Pick 5® - \$950
Joy Zimmer, Duncan
Nebraska Pick 5® - \$31,000
Roddy Hinman, LaVista
Thomas Jaixen, Omaha
Nebraska Pick 5® - \$178,000
Linda Phillips, Omaha
2by2® - \$20,000
William Stiles, Lincoln
Helen Bowers, Lincoln
Powerball® - \$10,000
Dale Larkins, Lexington
Scott E. Cavadini, Lincoln
Ray Stuhler, Columbus
**Powerball® - \$200,000
(\$200,000 split 10 ways)**
Shara D. Schurmann, Minden
Donna Walters, Minden
Hilda Baude, Axtell
Ana Beerman, Kearney
Carmen Randeros, Kearney
Barbara J. Hird, Axtell
Carol A. Jeffs, Nelson
Gloria J. Lien, Minden
Christopher Massee, Kearney
Mario Mejia, Kearney

July – 2007

Nebraska Pick 3® - \$600
Sally Butterfield, Grand Island
Bryan Parks, Lincoln
Ronald Allgood, Nebraska City
Kris Gentry, Valentine
Mae Arends, Grand Island
Carol Cordova, Norfolk (2x)
Dennis Buss, Humbolt
Julie Luellman, Bellevue
Gwen Taylor, Alliance
Amos Reed, Omaha
Julie Boryca, Omaha
Donna Swinarski, Omaha
Charles Young, Junction City, KS
Jeri Hays, Kimball
Donald Teeters, Omaha (2x)
Cheryl Ramirez, Bellevue
Lee Tinkler, Tecumseh
An T. Nguyen, Lincoln
Karleen Stutzman, Raymond
Abbas Alwaeci, Lincoln
Cindy Georges, Shubert
Larry Traudt, Omaha
Kem Crocker, Omaha
Van D. Paci, Wahoo
Jess Mullanix, Alliance
Ramo Popavic, Lincoln
Clyde Thinnies, Omaha
William Poole, Omaha
Joyce Jackson, Louisa, VA
Tanya Strayer, Lincoln
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$700
Leroy Bollwitt, Fremont
Ronald Elsnor, Monroe
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$800

Robert Friend, Bellevue
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$1,200
Sharon Sehi, Oakdale
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$1,800
Rickey Meyer, Lincoln
3D – Tic Tac Toe® - \$35,000
Robert Frauendorfer, Columbus
10 Times Lucky® - \$200,000
Lisa Buschelman, Omaha
7-Tripler® - \$10,000
Jeri Applegarth, Springfield
Groovy 8's® - \$1,800
Nicholas Tellier, Lincoln
Hot \$500 - \$500
Ronald Smith, Pleasant Dale
\$35,000 Bingo - \$35,000
Paula Cortez, LaVista
Fabulous Fortune® - \$50,000
Manuel Arroyo Parra, Lexington
Ty Kurtz, Blair
Quick 7's® - \$7,000
Barry Deal, Lincoln
Sapphire Blue 7's® - \$700
Michael Kilton, LaVista
Doug Custer, Plattville, WI
Constance Veatch, Lincoln
Audelia Murillo, Scottsbluff
Russell Davison, Lincoln
Heather Barker, Valley
Truck\$ & Buck\$® - TRUCK
Nicole Lobato, Hastings
Wild Cherries® - \$2,000
Shelly Reiman, Fairfield
Nebraska Pick 5® - \$909
Robert P. Smith, Maxwell
Nebraska Pick 5® - \$70,000
Angela Ysac, Scottsbluff
Powerball® - \$10,000
Patricia A. Smith, Omaha
Ronald Lockman, Mitchell
Powerball® - \$200,000
Gene Ray, Hastings

June – 2007

Nebraska Pick 3® - \$600
Donald Teeters, Omaha
Kenneth Spencer, Norfolk
Alvin Motley, Bellevue
Jack Kotrous, Verdigre
Virgil Gellermann, Columbus
Clayton White, Omaha
Elizabeth Kuwamoto, Lincoln
Edward Hahn, Omaha
Richard Zayas, Omaha
Freddie Clopton, Bellevue
Judith Nedd, Omaha
Jimmie Wilson, Omaha
Linda Schumacher, Omaha
Julie Luellman, Bellevue
Clyde Thinnies, Omaha
Kathy McCormack, Omaha
Gordon Smith, Hemingford
Jean Morris, Genoa
Edith Timmons, Sioux City

Marie Moore, Brule
 Michael Warren, Omaha
 Diane Johnson, Crete
 Clayton Mason, Omaha
 Dean Cook, Omaha
 Margie Wiester, Kearney
 Christ Johnson, Grand Island
 Jose Canti, Omaha
 Greg Smith, Lincoln
 Emma Schuerman, Swanton
 Larry Kennedy, Omaha
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$700
 Jacquelyn Slaughter, Omaha
 Sheila Perkins, St. Paul
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$704
 John Herron, McCook
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$722
 Charles Kalkowski, Lynch
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$909
 James Kaufman, Hastings
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$1,150
 Richard Christensen, Genoa
Nebraska Pick 3® - \$1,800
 Shaye Voightman, Plattsmouth
3D - Tic Tac Toe - \$1,000
 Ruth Wentworth, Red Cloud
Colossal Crossword - \$1,008
 Cheryl Long, Chappell
Hot \$500 - \$500
 Matthew Thiemann, Lincoln
2by2® - \$20,000
 Sarah Carey, Syracuse
 Jennifer Watson-Williams, Lincoln
Hot Cards - \$5,000
 Kevin Legas, North Platte
Fabulous Fortune - \$1,000
 Connie Munk, Newport
Tic Tac Wow - \$2,000
 Sherri Kusek, Rockville
Sapphire Blue 7's - \$700
 Linda Jeffrey, Aurora
 Marilyn Arnold, Grand Island
 John Staroscik, Columbus
Nebraska Pick 5® - \$900
 Sam Swisher, Oshkosh
Nebraska Pick 5® - \$927
 Judy Chadwick, Nebraska City
Nebraska Pick 5® - \$950
 Madeline Stebbins, Omaha
 Charlie Barbur, Geneva
Nebraska Pick 5® - \$74,000
 Betty Knaggs, Ogallala
Nebraska Pick 5® - \$142,000
 Carrie Atchison, Scottsbluff
Powerball® - \$10,000
 Darwin Pool, York
 Nicolas Santacruz, Omaha
 Max Warnock, Omaha
 Lisa Pecka, Valparaiso
 Mark Lloyd, Wilber
 LeGrande Miller, Ft. Calhoun
Powerball® - \$30,000
 Ronald Beavers, Broken Bow

May - 2007
Nebraska Pick 3®
 Barbara Eastep, Omaha - **\$550**
 Kenneth Bray, Columbus - **\$600**
 Raymond Agosta, Omaha - **\$600**
 Cindy Montgomery, Wilber - **\$600**
 Lynnette Stowell, Omaha - **\$600**
 Floyd Knodel, Fremont - **\$600**
 Amelia Poster, LaVista - **\$600**
 Charles Druskis, Omaha - **\$600**

Frank Murphy, Meadow Grove - **\$600**
 Edith Timmons, Sioux City, IA - **\$600**
 Jeffrey Ellison, Torrington, WY - **\$600**
 Greg Cochennet, Lincoln - **\$600**
 Judith Nedd, Omaha - **\$600**
 Rosemarie Doyley, Omaha - **\$600**
 Mark Young, Omaha - **\$600**
 LaMont Robinson, Omaha - **\$600**
 Misty Brown, Omaha - **\$600**
 Michelle Morales, Omaha - **\$600**
 Daniel Petersen, Omaha - **\$600**
 Raymond Maly, Ord - **\$600**
 Roberta Driscoll, Council Bluffs, IA - **\$600**
 Bill Denkinger, Gretna - **\$600**
 Lana Black, Fairfield - **\$600**
 Ann Wilson, Lincoln - **\$600**
 Patricia Emmanuel, Omaha - **\$600**
 Mary Harrison, Plattsmouth - **\$600**
 Peggy Coates, Beatrice - **\$600**
 Sherry Dancer, Omaha - **\$600**
 Clara Wallace, Bellevue - **\$600**
 Amelia Poster, LaVista - **\$600**
 Betsey Knox, Otoe - **\$600**
 Lee Tinkler, Tecumseh - **\$600**
 Roni Hagemeyer, Lincoln - **\$600**
 Rickey Meyer, Lincoln - **\$600**
 John Law, Lincoln - **\$600**
 Robert Perkins, Bellevue - **\$600**
 Tammi Tate, Bellevue - **\$600**
 Diana Knight, Papillion - **\$600**
 Jerry Davison, Lincoln - **\$600**
 Brenda Janicek, Omaha - **\$600**
 Karen Sandoval, Plattsmouth - **\$600**
 Ernest Worley Jr., Oakdale - **\$600**
 Marianne Wines, Bellevue - **\$600**
 Maria Martinez, Fremont - **\$600**
 Kevin Alston, Omaha - **\$600**
 Wade Stephens, Omaha - **\$600**
 Winifred Stephens, Bellevue - **\$600**
 Jayne Orgiesen, Atlanta - **\$600**
 Terry Velasquez, Omaha - **\$600**
 Teresa Clabaugh, Craig - **\$600**
 Georgette McCoy, Lincoln - **\$600**
 Barbara Allee, Bellevue - **\$600**
 David Parker, Bellevue - **\$600**
 Katherine O'Neill, Omaha - **\$600**
 Richard Webb, McCook - **\$600**
 Athena Combs, Omaha - **\$600**
 Lanaya Layman, Lincoln - **\$600**
 Kathleen Benson, Omaha - **\$600**
 Lyle Meyer, Norfolk - **\$600**
 Sharon Bopp, Grand Island - **\$600**
 Roger McCormack, McCook - **\$600**
 David Parker, Bellevue - **\$600**
 Melanie Parker, Bellevue - **\$600**
 Eve Harper, Otoe - **\$600**
 David Slaughter, Omaha - **\$600**
 Adele Chavez, Alliance - **\$600**
 Daniel Campbell, Omaha - **\$600**
 Kenneth Reiss, Crete - **\$600**
 Everett Anderson, Omaha - **\$600**
 Donald Teeters, Omaha - **\$600**
 Wordie Wright Sr., Lincoln - **\$600**
 Peggy Nealson, Wolbach - **\$600**
 Sharon Sehi, Oakdale - **\$703**
 David Slaughter, Omaha - **\$650**
 Merlin Hall, Wahoo - **\$900**

Angie Bonczynski, Grand Island - **\$1,200**
 Jodi Novak, Dorchester - **\$1,200**
 Karleen Stutzman, Raymond - **\$1,200**
 Royce Haines, Hastings - **\$1,200**
 Carol Tetschner, Burwell - **\$1,200**
 Mary Hancock, Omaha - **\$1,200**
 Shireen Sodoris, Dorchester - **\$1,200**
 Dawn Thumser, Plattsmouth - **\$1,200**
 Amos Reed Jr., Omaha - **\$1,200**
 Denise Griess, Clay Center - **\$1,200**
 Sanford Ratzlaff, Benedict - **\$1,800**
 Wynne Norsworthy, Gothenburg - **\$1,800**
 Ronald Allgood, Nebraska City - **\$7,500**
Nebraska Pick 5®
 Dayna Weaver, North Platte - **\$450**
 Charles Kalkowski, Lynch - **\$250**
 LaVern Cline, Hastings - **\$918**
 Carol McKinney, Lincoln - **\$9,000**
 Wanda Sargent, Grand Island - **\$66,000**
 Arnold Bahl, O'Neill - **\$78,000**
 Lloyd Spaulda, Tekamah - **\$94,000**
Diamonds Are Forever - \$35,000
 James Oatis, Chadron
Emerald Green 7's - \$17,000
 Patricia Stromer, Lincoln
Emerald Green 7's - \$700
 Donald Hoffman, Chambers
 Patricia Draeger, Dunbar
Powerball®
 Linda Binder, Omaha - **\$10,000**
 Larry Kelley, Hastings - **\$10,000**
 David Thompson, Waverly - **\$10,000**
 Julie Manes, Lincoln - **\$10,000**
 Cynthia Peabody, Lexington - **\$10,000**
 Ron Hawkins, Lincoln - **\$10,000**
 Robert Rezny, Lincoln - **\$10,000**
 Michael Riley, Humboldt - **\$20,000**
Bonus Crossword - \$35,000
 Marvin Reeder, Holdrege
2by2®
 Robert Johnson, Hastings - **\$20,000**
 Lottie Brown, Lincoln - **\$20,000**
 Marietta Kuhn, Imperial - **\$20,000**
Colossal Crossword - \$50,000
 Jesus Ceja, Lexington
Jackpot Riches - \$50,000
 Anna Sanchez, Cozad
Super Crossword - \$1,000
 Nicole Hubble, Lincoln
What's Your Number? - \$4,000
 Marlene Miller, Omaha
3-D Tic Tac Toe - \$1,000
 Debra Daut, Crawford
Diamonds Are Forever - \$1,000
 Matthew Bullock, Bellevue
\$150,000 Crossword Doubler - \$150,000
 Dwayne Ryder, Lincoln
Fabulous Fortune - \$1,000
 Phyllis Hilderbrand, David City
10 Times Lucky - \$1,000
 Suzanne Myers, North Platte
 Todd Lassek, Springfield

simplifying nebraska pick 3

Since its launch in May of 2005, Nebraska Pick 3 has established itself as a popular game among players. However, the Nebraska Lottery staff is aware that the style of the game and its uniqueness compared to Powerball, Nebraska Pick 5 and 2by2 can be a bit confusing for both players and retailers alike. To aid in clearing some of the confusion, we will take a detailed look at each of the four bet types involved with Nebraska Pick 3 in this issue of the Players Digest.

Nebraska Pick 3 is played by choosing three individual numbers between zero and nine. A player can either choose their own three digits by utilizing a playslip or request a quick pick in which the three numbers will be randomly chosen for them. One of four bet types (Straight, Box, Straight/Box, Combo) must also then be chosen for their three numbers.

Bet Type:	EXAMPLE OF NUMBERS PICKED:	EXAMPLE OF NUMBERS DRAWN:	YOU WIN:
Straight (3 numbers in Exact Order)	1 2 3	1 2 3	\$600

If the player chooses the **Straight Bet** type for their three digits, they are betting that the winning three digits will match their digits in the exact same order. For example, if the player selects 1 2 3 and the winning numbers are 1 2 3, the player wins \$600. All other numbers do not win on this bet, because the Straight bet type indicates that the player will match their three numbers to the winning three numbers in *exact order*. The Straight bet type has the worst odds of winning of any of the four bet types, but has the highest payout.

Box:

6-Way (3 numbers in Any Order)	1 2 3	123,132,231,213,312,321	\$100
3-Way (3 numbers, 2 alike, Any Order)	1 1 2	112, 121, 211	\$200

Like the Straight bet type, the **Box Bet** type requires that the player's three digits must match the winning three digits to win. However, the Box bet type differs in that the player's three digits can match the winning three digits *in any order*. For example, with the Box bet type selected, if the player's digits were 1 2 3 and the winning digits drawn were 2 3 1, then the player wins because their three digits matched the winning three digits regardless of order. Any of these other possibilities would have also made the player's bet a winning ticket: 1 2 3, 1 3 2, 2 1 3, 3 1 2 or 3 2 1.

Payouts and odds for this bet type vary based on whether or not the player selects three different digits or if two of the three digits are the same. If the player has selected three different digits, then they are playing the 6-way box bet type. Using the example from above, if the player picks the three

digits 1, 2 and 3, and if any of the six possible number combinations are drawn, the player wins \$100. If a player picks three digits but two of the digits are the same, they are playing a 3-way box bet type. For example, if the player picks the digits 1 1 2, there are three possible combinations of these numbers (1 1 2, 1 2 1 and 2 1 1). If any of these combinations are drawn as the winning number, the player wins \$200. Because the odds of winning are less on the 3-way than the 6-way bet type, the payout is higher.

To give the player an option to play for a higher dollar prize if he/she picks the exact winning number but still wishes to use the Box bet to account for other combinations, the Straight/Box bet is available.

Straight/Box:			
Straight (3 numbers in Exact Order)	1 2 3	1 2 3	\$350
6-Way Box (3 numbers in Any Order)	1 2 3	123,132,231,213, 312, 321	\$50
3-Way Box (3 numbers, 2 alike, in Any Order)	1 1 2	112, 121, 211	\$126

If the player chooses three different digits (6-way) for their **Straight/Box Bet**, the player covers six of the possible 1,000 numbers, just as with the Box bet. However, if the player matches the winning numbers exactly, the Straight/Box bet pays \$350. If the winning number is one of the other five possible variations of the winning numbers, the player wins the 6-way Straight/Box prize of \$50. If the player chooses to have two of their three digits be the same (3-way), matching each of the winning numbers in the exact order would again pay \$350. Because the 3-way bet has lower odds of winning, if the winning number is one of the other two winning combination of numbers formed by a Box bet, he/she wins \$126 as opposed to \$50 with the 6-way version. The Straight/Box bet, unlike the individual Straight or Box Bets, gives the player the opportunity to win on one of two tiers, either exact match or boxed match.

Combo:			
3 numbers in Exact Order	1 2 3	1 2 3	\$100
2 numbers in Exact Position	1 2 3	123, 423, 523, 125, 126, 127, 153, 143	\$8
1 number in Exact Position	1 2 3	145, 425, 453	\$1

The **Combo Bet** type holds one major difference from the other three bet types. When selecting the Combo bet, the player is betting that they will match either one, two, or all three of their digits to the winning three digits in the exact same *positions*. For example, if the player’s digits are 2 3 4 and the winning digits are 2 5 9, the player wins \$1 for having matched their first digit, 2, to the winning digit in the first position. Had the winning digits been drawn in the order of 5 2 9, the player would not have a winning play despite having at least one of the winning three digits. The reason for this is that the player’s ‘2’ digit is in the first position, whereas the winning ‘2’ digit is in the middle or second position.

Because it is not required to match all three of the winning digits, the Combo bet offers the best odds of winning, but a lower payout. If the player matches one of the winning digits in the same position, they win \$1. Matching two of the winning digits in the same position pays out \$8 and matching all three digits pays out \$100.

lotto drawings

behind the scenes



Once in a while, players question the results of Nebraska Lottery drawings. This often occurs when unusual number combinations or patterns are drawn.

The following information should shed some light on how the Nebraska Lottery conducts its Lotto drawings to ensure that players have the highest-quality entertainment experience possible.

Two types of drawing equipment are used for Lotto drawings: random number generation and random ball selection. Nebraska Pick 5 and Nebraska Pick 3 drawings are conducted by random number genera-



POWERBALL drawing host Mike Pace on the drawing set.

tor: a computerized process. This enables the Nebraska Lottery to save the enormous cost of conducting a televised drawing, and use those funds to support the prize levels of Lotto games.

Using a random number generator enables the Nebraska Lottery to draw winning numbers through a process which can be easily monitored, stored and maintained, all in a very secure environment. Random number generators are commonly

used by lotteries, and have become standard equipment as technology has developed. A similar, yet separate, random number generator system is used to generate quick pick tickets for customers.

The random number generator is housed in an isolated computer and kept securely sealed and locked up between drawings. The random number generator underwent testing by an independent technical laboratory to assure that it met accepted performance levels for random number generators. The program is tested before each draw, and the test results are audited by an independent auditor prior to each drawing.

Drawings for Powerball and 2by2 are conducted using a random ball selection system. The Nebraska Lottery is a member of the Multi-state Lottery Association (MUSL), which operates these games on behalf of member lotteries.

Winning numbers are drawn from a set of plastic balls specifically numbered for each Lotto game. To assure randomness with each drawing, each game has more than one set of balls and a new set

is randomly selected for each drawing.

Each Lotto game also has its own drawing equipment, complete with at least one back-up system. The machine to be used in a game's drawing is randomly determined, just as the set of balls to be used is randomly determined. Ball sets and game equipment are maintained and tested to assure their randomness, and are kept in locked vaults which can only be opened in the presence of the drawing manager, a security officer and an independent auditor. The handling of drawing equipment and balls is videotaped as an additional precaution.

Whether conducted using a random number generator or random ball selection, the Nebraska Lottery makes no effort to influence the drawing process. It is possible for members of the public to observe Nebraska Lottery drawings with advance notice in order to facilitate access to the secure building and an appropriate escort. Results for all Lotto drawings are posted on the Nebraska Lottery web site, nelottery.com and on the Nebraska Lottery Players Hotline (800-224-LUCK).

DID YOU KNOW?

In June 2007, the Nebraska Lottery launched a new feature for its online Lotto games: barcoded tickets that can be scanned by retailer register systems. Nebraska Lottery Scratch products have contained barcodes since June 1997; with the addition of barcoding on its Lotto offerings, retailers can scan the entire Nebraska Lottery product line.

Nebraska Lottery prizes of \$20,000 or more must be claimed in person at Nebraska Lottery Headquarters, 1800 "O" Street, Suite 101 in Lincoln.

ROADS TO RICHES HIGHLANDER HYBRID RAFFLE.



Fall Promotion Offers Chance to win a 2008 Toyota Highlander Hybrid as well as Ethanol-Enriched Fuel.

The fall Lotto raffle is back with a new top prize: a 2008 Toyota Highlander Hybrid vehicle. Throughout the Husker football season, players will have a chance to win great weekly prizes during the Roads to Riches: Highlander Hybrid Raffle promotion. Starting August 26 and ending November 24, players will receive a bonus raffle coupon with each qualifying \$10 Nebraska Lottery Lotto single ticket purchase.

Bonus Raffle coupons will print for the following qualifying purchases:

Weeks 1- 7: *A purchase of a \$10 Nebraska 2by2 Multi-draw ticket including two quick pick numbers with five multi-draws apiece.*

Weeks 8-13: *Any \$10 Lotto multi-draw purchase of a single Lotto game.*

Each weekly drawing will award a \$500 Ethanol-Enriched Fuel Visa gift card from the raffle numbers issued that week. All entries will be held after their respective drawing for the Grand Prize Drawing. All raffle numbers issued during the 13-week promotion will be entered into the Grand Prize Drawing for the grand prize of a 2008 Toyota Highlander Hybrid, 2nd prize of a \$1,000 Ethanol-Enriched Fuel Visa gift card and 3rd prize of a \$500 Ethanol-Enriched Fuel Visa gift card.

All winners will be announced on the Tuesday following each scheduled drawing. Winning Bonus Raffle numbers will be listed at nelottery.com, on the Nebraska Lottery Player's Hotline (800-224-LUCK), on subsequent Powerball tickets and on signage posted at Lottery retail locations.

scholarship *fund benefits*



Among the various efforts funded by Nebraska Lottery proceeds is the Nebraska Scholarship Fund, which is administered by the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education under the Nebraska Scholarship Act.

With the help of the Nebraska Lottery, the Nebraska Scholarship Act has been able to award more than 38,000 Nebraska State Grants to college students at dozens of Nebraska institutions.

Grants were made to 13,609 students during the 2005-06 Academic Year. With grants averaging \$729, a total of \$9,917,594 was distributed to students attending 43 different institutions of higher education in Nebraska.

Among the students who received 2005-06 grants, 9,713 attended a public institution; 2,247 attended an independent college or university; and 1,649 attended a private for profit institution.

Grants were made to 12,139 students during the 2004-05 Academic Year. With grants averaging \$687, a total of \$8,336,903 was distributed to students attending 42 different institutions of higher education in Nebraska.

During the 2003-04 Academic Year, a total of 13,031 students received grants. Grant awards were divided evenly between dependent (traditional) and independent (non-traditional) students, with the average grant being worth \$671.

Schools select students as potential recipients, and the Coordinating Commission for

Post-Secondary Education approves the students and distributes funds to the institutions. Grants are made based on financial need, and students are not guaranteed to receive the grant every year they are enrolled.

The Nebraska Scholarship Fund uses a blend of funding from the United States Department of Education's LEAP/SLEAP program (7 percent in 2004-05, 12 percent in 2003-04), the State of Nebraska General Fund (68.5 percent in 2004-05, 65.5 percent in 2003-04), and Nebraska Lottery proceeds (24.5 percent in 2004-05, 22.5 percent in 2003-04).

Nebraska Lottery proceeds are being used in many ways to help people and projects across our state, supporting efforts focused on areas such as education, the environment, compulsive gamblers assistance, and the Nebraska State Fair. So far, \$296 million has been raised for Nebraska Lottery beneficiary funds.



environmental trust



The Nebraska
Environmental Trust
promoting WILD, OPEN, GREEN spaces for future generations

beneficiaries

Nebraska Environmental Trust Receives Award

The Nebraska Environmental Trust was honored with the “2007 Partners in Conservation Award” by Hod Kosman, President of the Platte River Basin Environments, at an Appreciation Dinner held in Scottsbluff in June.

“Platte River Basin Environments and all of our Western Nebraska partners and sister conservation organizations can envision no finer partner that the Nebraska Environmental Trust – you have encouraged – facilitated and empowered us to go farther and realize our dreams we never thought possible. You have allowed us to catch the imagination of a vast region. We have partners, volunteers and contributors from all walks of life – they care about our WILD RESOURCES and balancing those resources with the progress and prosperity that our communities all seek” said Hod.

He added, “We believe that what we do is forever and we know that forever is a long, long time.”

Accepting the award were Gloria Erickson, Chairperson of the Nebraska Environmental Trust, Mark Brohman, the Executive Director, and Lisa Beethe, Grants



Administrator, who were at the event.

This is the 14th year of grants from the Trust, which has provided over \$112 million in lottery proceeds to preserve and protect the air, water and land of our state. This year alone, a total of 67

projects were approved by the Nebraska Environmental Trust Board. The projects will receive \$11,818,742 in Nebraska Lottery proceeds for natural resource work in Nebraska.

A complete listing of all 2007 grants can be found on the Nebraska Environmental Trust web site at www.environmentaltrust.org.

The Nebraska Legislature created the Nebraska Environmental Trust in 1992. Using revenue from the Nebraska Lottery, the Trust has provided grants to 952 projects across the state. Anyone – citizens, organizations, communities, farmers and businesses – can apply for funding to protect habitat, improve water quality and establish recycling programs in Nebraska. The Nebraska Environmental Trust works to preserve, protect and restore our natural resources for future generations.

word search

Complete the puzzle below by circling words or phrases that appear in this issue of Players Digest. HINT: There are a total of nine (9) words or phrases located horizontally, vertically or diagonally. And don't forget to enter the Bonus Raffle Second Chance Contest – see the back cover for details.



DID YOU KNOW?

In a recent poll on the Nebraska Lottery web site (nelottery.com), 384 visitors responded to the poll question:

Do you have a favorite clerk that influences when or where you buy groceries or gas?

No - **46.09%**

Yes, it always affects my decision. - **6.51%**

Yes, it sometimes affects my decision. - **9.64%**

I have favorite clerks at different stores, but it does not affect my decisions. - **19.27%**

I'm more focused on things like convenience, price and time issues than store personnel. - **8.49%**

compulsive gamblers *assistance*

When Gambling Becomes a Bad Bet.....

The Gamblers Assistance Program was established in 1992. Since that time the GAP has worked to assist those negatively affected by problem gambling. The GAP contracts with individuals throughout Nebraska to provide treatment services to problem gamblers and their family members.

Gambling is a recreational activi-

ty enjoyed by the majority of adults in Nebraska. There are some, however, for whom gambling is more than recreational and is in fact addictive and destructive. The devastation of the gambler and their family is well documented. What is less known is how families can protect themselves from the devastation of gambling and the gambler.

Below is a self survey to discover whether you or someone you know has a gambling problem

- *Have you ever lost time from work because of gambling?*
- *Has gambling ever made your home life unhappy?*
- *Have you ever felt remorse for gambling?*
- *Do you ever borrow to finance your gambling?*
- *Are you reluctant to use "gambling money" for normal expenditures?*
- *Does gambling cause you to have difficulty sleeping?*
- *Have you ever considered self-destruction as a result of your gambling?*
- *Do you often gamble until your last dollar is gone?*
- *Do you ever gamble longer than you planned?*
- *After winning, do you ever have a strong urge to return and win more?*

(Most problem gamblers answered yes to at least 3 out of these 10 questions.)

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To enter, send in any non-winning multi-draw Lotto ticket along with a completed entry form at the bottom of this page to Nebraska Lottery Player's Digest, P.O. Box 94878, Lincoln, NE 68509-4878. Please do not send in Bonus Raffle coupons, which should be retained

until after the Bonus Raffle grand prize drawing on November 27.

At noon on each of the drawing days (January 3, 2008 and January 31, 2008) we will draw 25 entries. Each winner will each receive a \$50 cash prize. Entries not selected in the December 3 drawing will be retained for the subsequent drawing.

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