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Denison Hy-Vee Earns \$5,000 Bonus



Employees at Hy-Vee, 1426 Broadway in Denison, accept a ceremonial check from Iowa Lottery officials for the \$5,000 bonus their store received after selling the jackpot-winning ticket in the \$2.7 million Hot Lotto drawing on Christmas Day. Store Director Todd Tetmeyer (holding left side of check) accepts the ceremonial check from Arnie Woerdehoff, manager of the lottery's Storm Lake regional office (on Tetmeyer's left); lottery corporate account manager Tom Warner (holding check); and lottery district sales representative Dennis Bromley (next to Warner).

Denison Man Claims \$2.7 Million Hot Lotto Jackpot

A western Iowa man got a new dose of holiday cheer Jan. 13, claiming a \$2.7 million Hot Lotto jackpot he won on Christmas Day.

"A guy thinks about it. You buy a ticket and you have in the back of your mind, 'There's that chance,'" Don Sporrer of Denison said as he claimed the jackpot at Iowa Lottery headquarters in Des Moines.

Sporrer, 64, who retired in May after working for 37 years at IBP in Denison, now drives a truck part-time for a Carroll company. He has a daughter, a son and a granddaughter. His brother, Wayne Sporrer of Westside, traveled with him to the lottery to claim his prize.

Don Sporrer said he waited until several days after the drawing to begin telling people he won the big prize and waited

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At A Glance...

Redeem Expired Coupons Promptly

When a coupon expires, it must be returned in the Weekly Settlement Envelope for the week it expired or in either of the Weekly Settlement Envelopes for the next two weeks.

Game End and Validation End Dates List:

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Game #272	Battleship	11/05/02	02/03/03
Game #308	Double Doubler-Purple	11/05/02	02/03/03
Game #312	Crossword-Purple	11/05/02	02/03/03
Game #319	Ice Fishin'	11/05/02	02/03/03
Game #320	Powerball—Game Show	11/05/02	02/03/03
Game #321	New Year's Bonus	11/05/02	02/03/03
Game #300	Lots O' Spots Bingo-Ylw.	12/24/02	03/24/03
Game #316	Goin' Nuts	12/24/02	03/24/03
Game #329	Hearts & Roses	12/24/02	03/24/03
Game #332	Corned Beef & Cash	12/24/02	03/24/03
Game #338	Treasure Hunt	12/24/02	03/24/03
Game #341	Scorpion King	12/24/02	03/24/03

Other important dates are listed on the back of this issue.



Don Sporrer of Denison, left, accepts a ceremonial check from Iowa Lottery Commissioner Ed Stanek for the \$2.7 million Hot Lotto jackpot that Don won in the Christmas Day drawing.

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until after the first of the year to actually claim his prize for tax purposes. He said he had fun listening to local speculation about the identity of the winner.

"I was driving the truck and I'd hear on the radio, 'Well, we still haven't heard from the winner. I wonder who that guy is?'" he said.

Sporrer bought his winning ticket at the Hy-Vee at 1426 Broadway in Denison.

Jim Hansen, Hy-Vee assistant manager, received word early on Dec. 26 that the jackpot-winning ticket had been sold at his store. Shortly after that, he saw Sporrer in the store.

"I told him that someone who bought a ticket here was the winner. He was really calm and just said, 'Well, I'd better take my ticket to the bank,' and kept walking. He never said anything else for about two weeks," Hansen said. "He's kind of a jokester, so it's hard sometimes to tell if he's serious or he's just kidding around."

The Denison Hy-Vee received a \$5,000 commission bonus from the lottery for selling the jackpot-winning ticket.

Hansen said he is happy that the winner is a regular customer.

"For awhile, we thought it was just someone who was passing through with the holiday season and all," Hansen said. "It makes us happy to know it's someone who's in the store a lot. And, our Hot Lotto sales have gone up!"

Sporrer chose to receive his jackpot as a lump-sum payment of \$1,646,341.46. He said he plans to continue working and likely will give a donation to a local college. He also thinks he'll buy a new truck.

On the same day that Sporrer won his Hot Lotto jackpot, a West Virginia man won a \$314.9 million jackpot in

the Powerball® game, making it the largest prize ever to go to a single ticket. Hot Lotto and Powerball both are multi-state lottery games and both are sold in Iowa.

Sporrer said he's satisfied with a \$2.7 million win.

"That big amount would be a big headache. My phone was ringing for a while, but I fixed that - I shut it off!" he joked.

Darlene Becker of Dubuque, a 64-year-old grandmother, won the first jackpot claimed in the game, a \$3.6 million prize from the July 10 drawing. 🍀

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JAN./FEB. 2003	26	27 BE MINE (\$1)/ ALL THE MARBLES (\$10) BEGIN	28	29	30 \$25,000 INSTANT BONUS SPIN DRAWING	31	Feb. 1
	LOTTERY ACTION DELIVERS						
	2	3 MAKIN' MOOLA (PULL-TAB) (50 CENTS) BEGINS	4	5	6 POWERBALL INSTANT MILLIONAIRE/ BONUS SPIN/ CYCLONE DRAWINGS	7	8
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	LOTTERY ACTION DELIVERS						
16	17 SHAMROCK GREEN (\$1)/ TICKET TO VEGAS (\$3)/BONUS CROSSWORD (\$3) BEGIN	18	19	20 POWERBALL INSTANT MILLIONAIRE/ CYCLONE GRAND PRIZE DRAWINGS	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28		
LOTTERY ACTION DELIVERS							

Iowa Lottery to Aid With State Amber Alert System

The Iowa Lottery will help in the search for abducted children by participating in the Amber Alert emergency notification system.

The Amber Alert was created in Texas in 1996 after 9-year-old Amber Hagerman was kidnapped while riding her bicycle in Arlington, a suburb of Dallas, and later murdered.

Residents urged authorities to broadcast special "alerts" so that they could help prevent such incidents in the future.

The Iowa Amber Alert system will be activated when the Iowa State Patrol reports that a child has been abducted and is in danger of being harmed.

The lottery will broadcast the Amber Alert through its retailer terminals with a retailer message. The message also will appear on the Customer

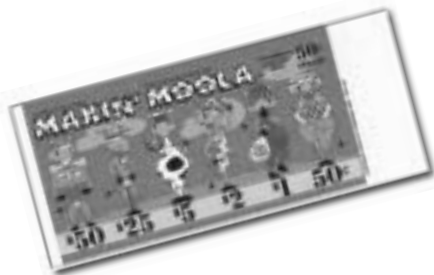
Display Unit on Extrema terminals and on lotto tickets printed during an Amber Alert. Sci-Scan retailers will receive a printout of the message the first time they dial into the lottery system to sell a ticket after an alert has been issued.

An Amber Alert also would be broadcast by the state Emergency Alert System and the Iowa Department of Transportation's highway alert signs.

Gov. Vilsack has mandated the use of the Amber Alert system in Iowa. Surrounding states, including Nebraska, Minnesota, Illinois and parts of Missouri, already use it. Thirty-three states currently have statewide Amber Alert systems.

The lottery will provide more details soon on how retailers will be involved. 🐾

'Moola' Pull-tab Could Be Players' Cash Cow!



Makin' Moola (Pull-tab)

Cost: 50 cents
Top Prize: \$50
Odds: 1 in 5.45
Begin Ordering: Feb. 3

The new Makin' Moola pull-tab could be a cash cow!

To play, peel apart the three tabs located on the back of the ticket. One section of a cow symbol is printed under each tab. Check all three tab areas. If the three sections of a cow symbol printed under all of the tabs match identically any of the winning completed cow combinations shown on the ticket front, the player wins the corresponding prize. The arrow connecting the cow sections indicates it's a winner! 🐾

Mother and Son Collect \$100,000 Powerball Prize

A Boone woman and her son are splitting a \$100,000 Powerball prize they won on Christmas Day.

Gwen and Chris Capps claimed their \$100,000 prize at Iowa Lottery headquarters in Des Moines. They said they had an agreement before buying their Powerball tickets that they would split whatever they won – but they almost didn't buy their tickets.

"I had to coax him to go up to the store with me," said Gwen Capps, 72, who works at Wal-Mart in Boone.

Chris Capps knows his mother's persistence paid off.

"I'd worked all day and I was tired and I didn't really want to mess with it, but I'm sure glad that I did!" he said. "It couldn't have come at a better time."

The two bought their winning ticket at Kum & Go at 315 Story in Boone for the record \$314.9 million Powerball drawing on Christmas Day. The Capps' ticket came close to winning it all, matching the first five numbers but missing the Powerball. They did not choose the Power Play option, which would have multiplied their prize to \$400,000.

Gwen Capps said she plans to buy a new car with part of her winnings. Chris Capps, 32, who works for Citigroup in West Des Moines, plans to buy an all-terrain vehicle. They each plan to invest part of their winnings as well. 🐾



Chris, left, and Gwen Capps of Boone proudly display their \$100,000 Powerball check at the Des Moines lottery office.

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GAME INFORMATION

Clip and Save

Game		Start Date	As of Jan. 27, 2003		
304	CASINO ACTION	09/24/01			
305	CASH SPECTACULAR	10/01/01			
314	NIFTY 50	10/08/01			
315	24K WINNER	10/15/01			
317	CRISS CROSS CASH	11/05/01			
323	TWO MUCH FUN	12/10/01			
322	QUICK CUT	12/17/01			
327	GOLD & GLORY	01/07/02			
328	DOUBLE DOWN	01/07/02			
330	WILD CHERRIES	01/28/02			
331	PHARAOH'S GOLD	02/04/02			
334	THE GNU GAME	02/25/02			
336	LUCKY STARS	03/04/02			
333	7-11-21	03/11/02			
301	LOTS O' SPOTS BINGO-Blue	03/18/02			
324	DOUBLE DOUBLER-Orange	03/18/02			
325	DOUBLE BLACKJACK-Green	03/18/02			
326	CROSSWORD-Yellow	03/18/02			
337	SILVER DOLLARS	03/25/02			
343	HOT CARDS	04/22/02			
344	BONUS BASEBALL	05/06/02			
345	DOLLAR SIGNS	05/13/02			
346	SNAKE EYES	05/20/02			
347	STARS AND STRIPES	06/03/02			
348	STRUCK BY LUCK	06/10/02			
349	FAST 5s	06/17/02			
335	LUCKY DAY	06/27/02			
353	LUCKY LINES	07/08/02			
352	GRAND CHAMPION	07/15/02			
342	STINKIN' RICH	07/29/02			
350	RED HOT 7S	08/05/02			
351	WHOOPE DE DOUGH	08/12/02			
355	ACES HIGH	08/26/02			
356	FOOTBALL FEVER	09/09/02			
358	MONEY MAZE	09/16/02			
359	CASH HARVEST	09/23/02			
360	BETLE BAILEY DOUBLE TIME	10/07/02			
357	BONUS CROSSWORD-Aqua	10/07/02			
361	VENETIAN* LAS VEGAS	10/14/02			
354	TOP BANANA	10/21/02			
362	BAH HUMBUCKS	11/04/02			
318	CANDY CANE CASH	11/04/02			
363	LUCKY STREAK	11/18/02			
339	DIAMOND BINGO-Red	11/18/02			
365	CASH FLURRIES	12/02/02			
366	BEGINNER'S LUCK	12/16/02			
378	KUM & GO—WE GO ALL OUT!	01/06/03			
367	POKER FACE	01/06/03			
368	LUCK OF THE DICE	01/06/03			
369	BE MINE	01/27/03			
370	ALL THE MARBLES	01/27/03			

Game	Start Date	Last Date To Pay Prizes
272 BATTLESHIP	05/07/01	02/03/03
308 DOUBLE DOUBLER-Purple	06/04/01	02/03/03
312 CROSSWORD-Purple	09/17/01	02/03/03
319 ICE FISHIN'	11/26/01	02/03/03
320 POWERBALL—GAME SHOW	12/03/01	02/03/03
321 NEW YEAR'S BONUS	12/10/01	02/03/03
300 LOTS O' SPOTS BINGO-Ylw.	09/17/01	03/24/03
316 GOIN' NUTS	10/22/01	03/24/03
329 HEARTS & ROSES	01/14/02	03/24/03
332 CORNED BEEF & CASH	02/11/02	03/24/03
338 TREASURE HUNT	04/01/02	03/24/03
341 SCORPION KING	04/08/02	03/24/03



If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, call 1-800-BETS OFF.
You must be at least 21 years old to purchase lottery tickets.

Lotto Game Information

	Drawing Days	Sales Cutoff Time	Approx. Drawing Time	Approx. Allowed Cashing Time
Freeplay Replay	Wednesday and Saturday	6:18 p.m.	6:28 p.m.	6:40 p.m.
Hot Lotto	Wednesday and Saturday	7:59 p.m.	10:00 p.m.	11:45 p.m.
\$100,000 Cash Game	Monday through Saturday	6:18 p.m.	6:28 p.m.	6:40 p.m.
Pick 3	Every day, Sunday through Saturday	7:59 p.m.	9:20 p.m.	9:40 p.m.
Powerball	Wednesday and Saturday	7:59 p.m.	9:59 p.m.	11:40 p.m.