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## Marion Couple Wiins \$1 Million Playing Powerhall With Power Play

A Marion couple said they just happened to buy a Powerball ticket while in a nearby community having dinner with friends and looking at Christmas lights. And with that spur-of-themoment purchase, they ended up winning a \$1 million prize!
Susan and Clyde Hendricks of Marion claimed their $\$ 1$ million prize at


Susan and Clyde Hendrichls of Marion happily show off thier larye cremomonial check at lottery headquarters after claiming their $\$ 1$ million prize. Iowa Lottery headquarters in Des Moines. Both said they were still a bit in shock over their good fortune.
"I think it's just amazement," Susan Hendricks said.
Her husband echoed her thoughts.
"It's unbelievable," Clyde Hendricks said. "I can't explain it. It's like you're in a trance or something."

The Hendricks won their $\$ 1$ million prize in the Dec. $20 \$ 54.7$ million Powerball drawing. The winning numbers that night were: 3-14-19-32-54 and Powerball 24. The Power Play ${ }^{\circledR}$ number was 5. Because the Hendricks had added the Power Play option to their ticket, the normal $\$ 200,000$ prize they won for matching the first five numbers was multiplied by five for a total prize of $\$ 1$ million.
Susan Hendricks said that when she initially suggested to her husband that they buy a Powerball ticket, he'd said they didn't need one. But he relented and went into the 380 BP, 2722 120th St. N.E. in Swisher, to buy the ticket.

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Note about the next "Lottery Action": "Lottery Action" will not be published the week of Jan. 19 due to the Martin Luther King Day holiday. The next issue will be released on Jan. 26. Have a safe holiday!

Action Briefs
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Holiday Riches: The Iowa Lottery's Holiday Riches promotion has been running since Oct. 27. If a player's Holiday Riches scratch ticket does not win a prize, they may enter at ialottery.com to win a cash prize. The lottery will draw for winners of 20 $\$ 1,000$ prizes and one $\$ 100,000$ prize.
Entries must be made through the lottery's Web site by noon on Jan. 20. The drawing will be held on Jan. 22.

| NEW Game End and <br> Validation End Dates | Official <br> Game <br> End | Valid. <br> Period <br> Ends |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 576 | Holiday Cash | $10 / 27 / 08$ | $1 / 26 / 09$ |
| 581 | Old Man Winner | $10 / 27 / 08$ | $1 / 26 / 09$ |
|  |  | $12 / 15 / 08$ | $3 / 16 / 09$ |
| 564 | Cool 7's | $12 / 15 / 08$ | $3 / 16 / 09$ |
| 565 | Gold 7's | $12 / 15 / 08$ | $3 / 16 / 09$ |
| 574 | Merry Money | $12 / 15 / 08$ | $3 / 16 / 09$ |
| 578 | 2008 Doubler! |  |  |
|  |  | $1 / 6 / 09$ | $4 / 6 / 09$ |
| 544 | \$250,000 Luck of the Draw | $1 / 09$ | $4 / 6 / 09$ |
| 560 | Trump Card | $1 / 6 / 09$ | $4 / 6 / 09$ |
| 567 | Midwest Millions | $1 / 6 / 09$ | $4 / 6 / 09$ |
| 568 | King of Cash |  |  |

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"I just thought it was a waste of money," Clyde Hendricks said with laugh. "I have a different opinion now! I would highly recommend it!"
When he went into the convenience store, the clerk asked him if he'd like to add the Power Play to his ticket. Clyde said he didn't know exactly what is was but decided to add it to the easy-pick ticket.
"I didn't know what Power Play was," he said. "But she explained it and I thought, 'Oh, what the hay. It's only another \$1!' So I did it!"

Susan Hendricks, 63, who works at Kirkwood Community College, and Clyde Hendricks, 62, an engineer at Vector Corp. in Marion, said they plan to use their winnings to pay off their mortgage and other bills and to add to their retirement accounts. They both said they plan to continue working.

Susan said they never anticipated winning a big prize.
"Can you believe that?" she asked. "What a miracle this is for us. You can't even imagine the peace it gives you to know that you can truly retire someday and you don't have to worry about anything."
Clyde said they already had helped with flood-recovery efforts in the Cedar Rapids area and that they likely would use some of the winnings to help victims of this past summer's devastation.
"I think we'll probably end up giving some money to some of the flood victims, just doing what we can and spreading it around because we're blessed!" he said.
"I don't know if I'm ready to retire, but it sure will be nice to be more secure," Clyde said.


## Powerhall Game Welcomes Florida, Undergoes Matrix Changes

Changes to Powerball that took effect on Jan. 4 will create larger, faster-growing jackpots, improve the overall odds of
 winning in the game and create more $\$ 1$ million winners.
The changes are designed to meet player expectations for big jackpots and accommodate population changes in the game. Powerball sales began in April 1992 with 15 lotteries, including Iowa, participating in the game. Florida became the 32nd lottery to sell Powerball tickets.

The major updates that began Jan. 4 include:

- the starting jackpot will increase from $\$ 15$ million to $\$ 20$ million.
- the Match 5 prize with the Power Play ${ }^{\otimes}$ option will always have a 5 X multiplier, pushing the second prize with the Power Play option to $\$ 1$ million.* Players can increase their prizes (except the jackpot) up to five times with the Power Play. The cost is $\$ 1$ per play.
- the overall odds in the game will improve to 1 in 35.1 , which will result in more than 3 million extra prizes won per year across the Powerball game.
- four white balls will be added to the first pool in the game, meaning players will choose five numbers from 59. But three red balls will be removed from the Powerball pool, meaning players will choose one number from 39. The net effect is that one ball will be added to the overall mix, a design that should create faster-growing jackpots while making it easier for players to win other prizes. The average jackpot in the game is expected to increase from $\$ 95.5$ million to $\$ 141$ million.
- the odds of winning the jackpot will increase to 1 in 195.2 million.
- the game's drawings on Wednesday and Saturday nights will move from Iowa to Florida, although the Powerball's headquarters office will remain in Urbandale, Iowa.

The number of advance plays that Powerball players in Iowa can purchase had temporarily decreased before the changes, but plays may now be sold for 10 consecutive drawings just as before the changes.

Retailers should be sure they are using the new play slips distributed by Scientific Games last month.

* The set prize amounts are based on the expected number of winners sharing in the prize pool. In some cases, these prizes may be paid on a pari-mutuel basis and will be lower.


## New Veteranns Games Begin in January

Two more instant games that benefit Iowa's Veterans Trust Fund begin in January.

## Freedom Rings Prize

Odds
Cost: \$1
1 in 7.50
Top Prize: \$100

| $\$ 1$ | 1 in 7.50 |
| ---: | ---: |
| $\$ 2$ | 1 in 20.00 |
| $\$ 4$ | 1 in 66.67 |
| $\$ 10$ | 1 in 240.00 |
| $\$ 30$ | 1 in 400.00 |
| $\$ 100$ | 1 in 600.00 |



If a player matches any of "Your Numbers" to the "Winning Number," they win the prize shown for that number.

## Land of Liberty (pull-tab)

Cost: \$1
Top Prize: $\$ 115$
Odds: 1 in 5.19
Begin Ordering: Jan. 12
Play by peeling apart the five tabs located on the back of the ticket. Three symbols are printed under each tab. Check all five tab areas. If three consecutive symbols printed vertically or diagonally under any of the tabs match identically any of the winning combinations shown on the ticket front, the player wins the corresponding prize.


The arrow connecting the symbols indicates a winner.


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.


[^0]:    Other important dates are listed on the back of this issue.
    Results from your state agencies: www.resultsiowa.org

