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## **\$1 Million Powerball Ticket Sold in Little Rock**

Bismarck Woman Claims \$50,000 Powerball Prize

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — A Powerball ticket worth \$1 million was sold at Kroger 644, 1900 N. Polk in Little Rock, for Saturday night's drawing. However, there was no jackpot winner, so the drawing for tonight will be for an estimated \$46 million.

The winning numbers were 4, 31, 34, 38 and 61, with the Powerball being 13. The multiplier was two. The player matched the five white balls but didn't have the Powerball number.

"All players who played Powerball at Kroger on N. Polk should check their tickets," said Eric Hagler, Arkansas Scholarship Lottery executive director. "The winner has 180 days from Jan. 6 to claim their prize."

Carolyn P., a new Bismarck resident, won a \$50,000 Powerball<sup>®</sup> prize on New Year's Day. She recently claimed her winnings at the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery (ASL) Claim Center.

The winning Quick Pick ticket was sold at 7 T Kwik Stop on 109 Highway 10 in Ola. The winning numbers for the Jan. 1 drawing were 12, 21, 42, 44 and 49, with the Powerball being 1.

Carolyn purchased the ticket with her husband on a New Year's Eve trip to Hot Springs. The couple made a brief detour for gas and an energy drink. While there, Carolyn also bought five Powerball tickets, following some encouragement from a friend.

"He had asked if I bought any Powerball tickets since the jackpot was getting so high," she shared. Though she usually was uninterested, "He convinced me." However, the Bismarck resident did not have high hopes for a win. On the rare occasion that she would play lottery games, Carolyn preferred to purchase a seasonal instant ticket for "something to do in the car." She had never received more than one matching number on a Powerball draw.

Carolyn's luck changed the following morning when her husband offered to check her ticket while they were watching the news.

"That's not right," he said, shocked at the matching digits. "Let me go get my glasses."

He double-checked the numbers on the website and then shared the good news with Carolyn.

"I still couldn't believe it," Carolyn told lottery officials.

Following a recent move from Louisiana to Bismarck, Carolyn wants to finish a couple of projects with her prize. She also intends to play lottery games more frequently than before.

Through Feb. 29, ASL is offering the 5-Buck Bundle special promotion. For \$5, players will receive a \$3 Powerball ticket with Power Play<sup>®</sup>, a \$2 Mega Millions<sup>®</sup> ticket and a free \$1 Natural State Jackpot ticket. The 5-Buck Bundle is eligible with Quick Picks only.

For more information on game odds and how to play, visit MyArkansasLottery.com.

## About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

The Arkansas Scholarship Lottery creates winning people, winning futures, and winning moments. Since 2009, the lottery has raised more than \$1.3 billion in proceeds for scholarships. More than 720,000 college scholarships have been awarded to Arkansans. The lottery has awarded more than \$4.8 billion in prizes to players, more than \$404 million in retailer commissions, and provided more than \$173 million in state and federal tax revenue.

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