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AMERICA'S DUELING JACKPOTS COMPETE FOR PLAYER EXCITEMENT

Powerball Increases the Jackpot Estimate to \$360 Million for Wednesday Draw

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS – Players have plenty to talk about as Powerball and Mega Millions jackpots continue to climb. The Mega Millions jackpot is at an estimated \$170 million for tonight's draw. Powerball's jackpot is being raised to an estimated \$360 million for the Wednesday night draw.

Players are encouraged to sign the back of their tickets and to keep them in a safe place. Winners should seek financial and legal advice to make plans to enjoy their new winning experience.

Powerball jackpots start at \$40 million and roll until the jackpot is won. Players win by matching the five white ball numbers (1-59) and the red Powerball number (1-35). There are eight other ways to win non-jackpot prizes ranging from \$4 to \$1 million or up to \$2 million if the ticket includes Power Play. The overall odds of winning a prize in the game are approximately 1 in 31.

Mega Millions jackpots start at \$12 million and roll until the jackpot is won. Players win by matching the five white ball numbers (1-56) and the gold Mega Ball number (1-46). There are eight other ways to win non-jackpot prizes ranging from \$2 to \$250,000, or up to \$1 million if the players adds the Megaplier option. The overall odds of winning a prize in the game are approximately 1 in 40. Both games have jackpot odds of 1 in 175 million.

Both Powerball and Mega Millions enjoyed their highest jackpots ever last year when Powerball reached \$587.5 million and Mega Millions hit \$656 million. While large jackpots generate excitement among players, the Lottery reminds players to play responsibly and not spend beyond their means. Players must be 18 years of age or older to purchase Powerball and Mega Millions tickets.