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## Alabama Man Claims \$1 Million Prize Weeks Before Ticket Expires

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – An Alabama man won \$1 million on a Powerball® ticket five months ago but didn't claim his prize until today at the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Claim Center. The winner, who remained anonymous, purchased the Quick Pick ticket at Kum & Go #171, 1775 Old Morrilton Highway in Conway, for the Nov. 26 drawing.

The winning numbers were 15, 30, 47, 50 and 51. The player matched the five white balls but not the Powerball number 3. If he had purchased the Power Play® option, he would have doubled his prize to \$2 million.

For an online (terminal-generated) game like Powerball, players must claim a prize 180 days from the draw date. The winner told lottery officials he discovered he had won the lottery prize yesterday.

"I was checking some old tickets in my wallet that I had purchased when visiting relatives in Conway for Thanksgiving," he said. "So, it was a total surprise when I came across the winning Powerball ticket."

The winner is the 95th person that has won a lottery prize worth \$1 million or more in Arkansas since 2009. He plans to pay off debt and his children's college tuition with his winnings.

Retailers receive a 1 percent commission from the sale of winning lottery products. The Kum & Go will receive a \$10,000 commission check for selling the winning ticket.

The Powerball jackpot for Saturday's drawing stands at \$87 million. Tonight, the Mega Millions® jackpot stands at \$68 million, and the Natural State Jackpot is up to \$270,000. The LOTTO jackpot has climbed to \$269,000 for Saturday night.

Tickets for all lottery draw games are available at more than 1,900 retailers in the state or on the Jackpocket app. For more information about Arkansas Scholarship Lottery games and odds, go to MyArkansasLottery.com.

## **About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery**

More than 92 cents of every dollar of ASL revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions, and other expenses in Arkansas. Since 2009, the lottery has raised more than \$1.2 billion in proceeds for scholarships. More than 720,000 college scholarships have been awarded to Arkansans. The lottery has awarded more than \$4.5 billion in prizes to players, about \$378 million in retailer commissions, and provided more than \$164 million in state and federal tax revenue.

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