

RETAILER REPORT

A NEWSLETTER FOR MARYLAND LOTTERY RETAILERS

JULY-SEPTEMBER 2024



WE BID FAREWELL TO FISCAL YEAR 2024 AND HELLO TO FISCAL YEAR 2025



We're kicking off an exciting first quarter of Fiscal Year 2025 with new opportunities to boost sales

through in-state and national Lottery promotions (**page 8**). And check out **pages 6-7** to review our exciting July-September first quarter lineup of scratch-off and *FAST PLAY* games.

Fiscal Year 2024 numbers were still being finalized as this newsletter issue was posted online. We anticipate that lotteries across the country, including ours, will see their sales and revenues impacted by fewer high

jackpots in *Mega Millions* and *Powerball* compared to Fiscal Year 2023. Thank you for promoting these games during their rolls, as well as our jackpot reset initiative to encourage purchases in the weeks after jackpots are hit.

On the bright side, sales of our FAST PLAY games could set a new record for this play category if they continue at their strong pace through June. We saw scratch-off sales buoyed by a wave of players selecting THE BIG SPIN instant ticket when it went on sale in April and the new \$50 game \$5,000,000 Cash, which launched in February. THE BIG SPIN brought four players to Lottery headquarters in May to give The Big Spin Wheel a whirl, as the game pushed into the top

three slots in our <u>Top 40 Scratch-offs</u> roster for multiple weeks.

And, we cannot forget our new draw game *CASH POP*, which joined our lineup on May 6 with a burst of player engagement. This new offering was producing weekly sales topping those for *Bonus Match 5*, *Cash4Life* and *Multi-Match*.

We'll share all of our Fiscal Year 2024 numbers in August on Retailer Corner and in the October-December issue of the Retailer Report newsletter. Thanks again for all that you do as our retail partners. We appreciate you!

GOOD LUCK AND GOOD SELLING!



Four players tried their luck with The Big Spin Wheel in May. Lantis and Tammy Edwards of Cumberland won \$90,000, while the other winners took home prizes of \$90,000, \$100,000 and \$125,000. Congratulations to their retailers: Edgewood Convenience Store in Edgewood, Kenwood Shell in Rosedale, Kiani's Mart in Woodlawn and Sheetz #046 in Cresaptown.

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Two dozen retailers featured

MARKETING INITIATIVE WRAPS CAR FLEETS



Vehicle wraps created a memorable moving promotion.

Did you or your players spot any of the vehicles we wrapped with *PAC-MAN* and then *CASH POP* promotional designs? Our Creative Services team experimented this spring with a new out-of-home marketing "vehicle" to promote these games.

Working with Carvertise of Delaware, we wrapped vehicles with the game designs to travel routes that vary and change daily. We're hoping our innovative approach fueled player interest in these games.

RESPONSIBLE GAMBLING

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Click on chat.

VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION PROGRAM

The Lottery is strongly committed to promoting responsible play and encourages retailers to display our Voluntary Exclusion Program brochure and Winners Play Responsibly pamphlet. Questions? Visit *mdlottery.com*, click on "About Us" and then "Responsible Play" or contact **Responsible Gambling staff** at

410-230-8798 or email responsible.gaming@maryland.gov.



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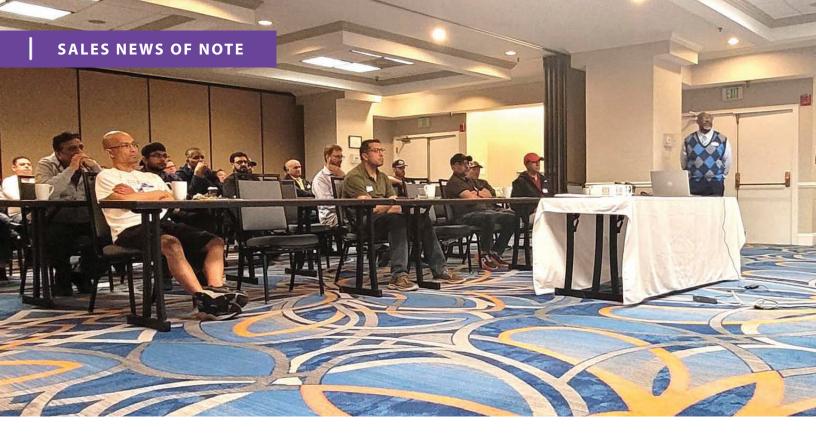












RETAILER ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS RETURN

had a strong turnout this spring at our Retailer Advisory Board (RAB) meetings in Annapolis and Ocean City, where three lucky retailers won a book of scratch-offs each at the end of each session.

Congratulations to our three retailers: **Bella's Liquors** in Annapolis, **Kaddy Mart** in Snow Hill and **Laurel Park Liquor & Deli** in Laurel. We're looking for another great

turnout in September and October, when we host morning and afternoon sessions in Aberdeen, Baltimore / Linthicum, College Park, Frederick and Waldorf.

Make sure your current store email is on file with us so you receive the RAB invitation. We'll also post the invitation on Retailer Corner and include reminders in Retailer Preview videos and your monthly emails from the Agency.

RSVP promptly. Remember, attendance is mandatory for Expanded Cashing Authority Program (XCAP) retailers except those on the Eastern Shore that attended a spring 2024 session.

This is your opportunity to meet the Sales leadership team, learn about XCAP renewals and get answers to your Lottery questions. We can't wait to see you this fall!



Ocean City session winner Sanjay Kumar of Kaddy Mart with Sol Ramsey, Lottery managing director, sales and marketing.



Annapolis morning session winner Manjit Singh of Laurel Park Liquor & Deli (center) with Sol Ramsey (left) and Dylan Santos, Lottery training manager.



Annapolis afternoon session winner Meghan Sullivan of Bella's Liquors with Sol Ramsey.

EXPANDED CASHING AUTHORITY PROGRAM

TIME TO RENEW XCAP CERTIFICATIONS

enewal time is here! The 400+ members of our Expanded Cashing Authority Program (XCAP) must complete the online renewal process for XCAP certification this fall. The online renewal portal opens on Aug. 1 and closes Nov. 24.

Check the store email you have on file with us for details about the renewal process and how to access the online application. Renewal emails will start going out in

Don't miss your renewal notice! If we don't have your current store

email, send an email containing vour retailer store number and store name to Fred Masterson. director of sales force automation: fred.masterson@maryland.gov.

NEW XCAP LOGO, SIGNAGE AVAILABLE

We're rolling out a new logo this fall for members of our Expanded Cashing Authority Program (XCAP). The redesigned artwork, which was the top choice of retailers who completed our survey, will be available on door clings and other point-of-sale materials. If you plan to update your exterior building signage with the logo, remember to complete the online logo request form here or go to Retailer Corner under the Resources tab to access the form.



BEST PRACTICES

FREE LOTTERY TRAINING AVAILABLE



Do you have a new employee or manager who needs training on how to use the Lotterv terminal, change terminal paper, install scratch-offs in vending equipment and more? We offer free online training. Ask your district sales manager for help signing up your staffers for training. We'll have your new employee up to speed in no time!

ASK FOR ID: SALES TO MINORS PROHIBITED

hen someone who looks like a teenager arrives at your counter and asks to buy Lottery games or to cash a winning ticket, do you and your clerks know what to do? Do you ask for their driver's license to confirm the youth is age 18 or older? Or do you hope they are age 18 and let them make a Lottery purchase or cash in a winning ticket?

The answer is easy enforce the age requirement! You already ask for proof of age for purchases of alcohol and tobacco so add Lottery games to the mix. Remember, it is against the law to sell Lottery games to a minor or cash their winning ticket. Don't lose your Lottery license! Be sure to promote responsible gaming.





PRODUCTS & PROMOTIONS

SCRATCH-OFF GAMES



LAUNCH: JULY 22

- \$1 Lucky 13 / #700 \$1,313 top prize (22)
- \$5 Joker's Wild / #701 \$50,000 top prize (8)
- \$5 Gold Bar Bingo 5th **Edition / #702** \$50,000 top prize (8)
- \$10 Money Rush / #703 \$100,000 top prize (9)
- \$20 Millionaire's Club / #704 \$1,000,000 top prize (5)

LAUNCH: AUG. 19

- **\$2 Ravens X2 / #705,** \$20,000 top prize (7)
- **\$5 Ca\$h Plu\$** / **#707,** \$50,000 top prize (7)
- **\$10 Ravens X10 / #706,** *\$200,000 top prize (9)*

LAUNCH: SEPT. 23

- **\$5 GAME OF THRONES™ / #709**
 - Second-chance promotion
- \$5 Deluxe Crossword 9th Edition / #710
- \$10 \$2,000 Large / #711
- \$30 \$5,000 Large / #712





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NEW GAMES

LAUNCH: JULY 1

\$1 – Burger Bucks / #078

\$500 top prize (30)

\$5 – THE GAME OF LIFE ™/ #079 *\$75,000 top prize (10)*

\$10 - Fat Wallet / #076

Progressive jackpot starting at \$70,000 (10)

\$30 - Gold Rush / #072

Progressive jackpot starting at \$650,000 (9) No prize less than \$50 **LAUNCH: AUG. 5**

\$2 - Cobweb Cash / #080 \$5,000 top prize (10)

LAUNCH: SEPT. 2

\$3 - Lucky 7s Slots / #081 \$30,000 top prize (8)

\$5 - Sevens (relaunch) / #044 *\$57,777 top prize (17)*

\$20 - Super 777 / #082

Progressive jackpot starting at \$200,000 (13)



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UPCOMING PROMOTIONS

MEGA MILLIONS / POWERBALL JACKPOT RESET



For two weeks after a jackpot is hit, any purchase in that game qualifies for an at-random award of a free \$2 ticket in the other jackpot game.

July 1-Dec. 31

LOTTERY WEEK



Play any draw or FAST PLAY game and you might win a FREE LOTTERY GAME! Free tickets issued at random statewide print immediately after purchase. Excludes scratch-offs.

July 15-21

CASH POP FREE PLAY PROMOTION Put a little POP in your day.

July 8-Aug. 4

Buy any terminal game ticket for the chance to win a free CASH POP ticket.





Aug. 22-Sept. 8
A chance to double or triple your winnings up to \$100,000.



Aug. 22-Sept. 8 \$1 discount for \$5 purchase.



20 *Pick 3/4/5* or *CASH POP* players will win prizes of \$2,500-\$10,000 based on official high temp at BWI Airport the previous week.

Aug. 5-Sept. 1



Free vouchers issued at random statewide on any terminal game purchase.

Sept. 13

GAME OF THRONES™ Second-Chance Promotion - Starts Sept. 23

Four Maryland Lottery players will win a trip to Napa Valley, CA in November 2025 for the opportunity to participate in *THE SEVEN KINGDOMS EXPERIENCE* Event for a chance to win their share of up to \$7 MILLION in cash prizes!

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Thomas Humphries of Nottingham reacts with joy at winning season tickets for 20 years in the 2023 second-chance promotion. Read more. (Photo courtesy of Baltimore Rayens)

SCORE CASH, TRIPS, ON-FIELD EXPERIENCES WITH RAVENS SECOND-CHANCE PROMOTION

Aug. 22-January 2025

AKE WAY FOR THE FLOCK! Scratch-off fans will delight in our \$2 and \$10 Ravens-themed instant tickets, which return this year with a new look and new second-chance opportunities through My Lottery Rewards. Fan-favorite prizes are back, including cash, season tickets

for 20 years, 2024 & 2025 season tickets and three (up from two) away-game trips with the team.

New this year is a Fan of the Game prize! Winners will receive \$1,000 for being selected and another \$1,000 for every touchdown the Ravens score in their designated game. Last year, the

Ravens scored 3.4 touchdowns per game!

And, there's a new twist coming to the Pass for Cash onfield experience. We'll unveil this exciting second-chance opportunity in a few weeks, so keep an eye on *mdlottery.com/promotions* starting Aug. 19 for details.



ONGOING PROMOTIONS





FAST PLAY Home Run Riches Bases Loaded **Contestant of the Game** Through Aug. 26

Win \$500 for being selected, \$500 for every Orioles home run and \$5,000 for every Orioles grand slam in your game.

BANNERS PROMOTE YOUR LUCKY LOTTERY BUSINESS

CONGRATULATIONS to these lucky retailers! They recently received banners to promote their sale of a jackpot or top-prize winning scratch-off or big winning tickets in draw games and *FAST PLAY* games. Way to go!













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Lucky Retailers MAY 2024

CONGRATULATIONS TO these lucky retailers, which sold winning tickets and scratch-offs of \$50,000 or more in May. Also, check out the four businesses that sold THE BIG SPIN scratch-offs that sent players to Lottery headguarters to try their luck with The Big Spin Wheel.



INSTANT GAMES

PRIZE/RETAILER

BONUS MATCH 5 –

\$50,000

Alex Convenience Store, Boonsboro Parkview Liquors, Cumberland **Waverley Beer & Wine**, Frederick

MULTI-MATCH -

\$580,000 / Wawa #8521, Adelphi

PICK 5 -

\$300,000 / Triangle Shell, Hyattsville \$250,000 / Giant #327, Bethesda **\$200,000** / **Royal Farms #082**, Severna Park \$100,000

Sam's Lobby Shop, Baltimore* **The Place**, Odenton

\$50,000

607 Food Mart / Sunoco, Aberdeen* **Bowie Exxon**, Bowie* **Cross 10 Grocery**, Baltimore **Greensboro Tiger Mart**, Greensboro **Liquor Barn**, *Taneytown** **R & R Convenient and Deli**, Baltimore* Royal Farms #070, Joppa Save A Lot, Baltimore

POWERBALL

\$50,000

Piper`s Wine & Spirit Barn, Manchester* Royal Farms #048, Baltimore **Starting Gate Liquors**, Laurel



PRIZE/RETAILER

GAME

FAST PLAY -

\$162,441 / All Saints Liquors, Laurel Big Money Doubler \$112,115 / Giant #310, Bowie Casino Royale Slots \$50,000 / Damascus Liberty, Lightning Cash Damascus*

- SCRATCH-OFFS -

\$1,000,000

Red Sea Petroleum. Baltimore Gold Rush 777 Walmart #5228, Columbia 100X The Cash \$500,000 / Grog Beer, Wine & Deli, Gaithersburg \$500,000 Crossword **\$250,000** / **Sheetz #161**, Frederick Jumbo Cash

\$100,000

4 Corners Wine and Liquor, Langley Park* Bonus Buck\$ **Allview Liquors**, Ellicott City 50X The Cash KW Beer & Wine, Silver Spring \$500,000 Cash **Sandy Spring Exxon**, Laurel Money Drop **Stadium Amoco**. Baltimore \$100,000 Crossword 7th Edition

\$50,000

7-Eleven #39815. Germantown \$50,000 Cash 7-Eleven #41323, Baltimore Money Drop Freddie's Liquor, Forestville **Golden Star Carryout**, Baltimore High's #016, Elkton **One Stop**, Oueen Anne Sheetz #292, California **Shell Food Mart**, Adelphi

100X The Cash Cash Multiplier \$500,000 Crossword 50 Years! Money Money Money Bonus Bingo X20



Four sellers of THE BIG SPIN scratch-offs leading to The Big Spin Wheel spins:

\$125,000 / Edgewood Convenience Store, Edgewood \$100,000 / Kiani's Mart, Woodlawn \$90,000 / Kenwood Shell, Rosedale \$90,000 / Sheetz #046, Cresaptown

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