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PONDER RESIDENT WINS \$1 MILLION *POWERBALL*® SECOND-TIER PRIZE

(AUSTIN) – Scott McDaniel of Ponder heard about a \$1 million *Powerball*® winner while cashing in some scratch-off tickets at Bev's, 1003 N. FM 156 in Ponder, but he had no idea it was one of his tickets.

"I had some tickets in my truck and also in our house at home, so I went home and checked them," McDaniel explained. "The tickets in the truck did not win, but the ones I left on my table saw had the winning ticket."



The Quick Pick ticket from Bev's matched all five numbers (15 – 27 – 31 – 34 – 48) but not the *Powerball* (1) for the drawing held May 31. In fact, more than 32,000 tickets in Texas won prizes ranging from \$4 to \$1 million for that drawing.

Powerball jackpots start at \$40 million and roll until the jackpot is won. Players win the jackpot by matching the five white ball numbers (1-59) and the red *Powerball* number (1-35). The overall odds of winning a prize in the game are approximately one in 31. The odds of winning the jackpot prize are one in 175,223,510.

McDaniel believes there was divine intervention in his win, "I don't believe in luck. This is just one of many of God's blessings in my life."

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About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated \$21 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$43 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$16 billion to the Foundation School Fund, which supports public education in Texas. As authorized by the Texas Legislature, certain Texas Lottery revenues benefit state programs including the Fund for Veterans' Assistance.

The Texas Lottery provides several entertaining games for lottery players including *Powerball*®, *Mega Millions*®, *Lotto Texas*®, *All or Nothing*™, *Texas Two Step*®, *Pick 3*™, *Daily 4*™, *Cash Five*® and scratch-offs. For more information visit us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or at www.txlottery.org.

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