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10-YEAR LOTTERY PLAYER SENDS IN NON-WINNING SCRATCH-OFFS, WINS COWBOYS SEASON TICKETS

(Austin) – Monte Barnhill of Arlington has been playing the Texas Lottery® for the past 10 years and still enjoys playing the *Games of Texas*. He recently sent in his non-winning *Dallas Cowboys* scratch-off tickets for a second-chance drawing and won a pair of tickets between the 30-yard lines for every Cowboys home game next season.



“I feel like a little kid again,” said Barnhill. “It really does pay to play.”

“By sending in his non-winning tickets, Mr. Barnhill gave himself a second chance to win. Now, he’ll get to enjoy some top-notch football at Cowboys Stadium,” said Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Gary Grief.

Other prizes awarded in the *Dallas Cowboys* second-chance drawings include gift cards, autographed jerseys and exclusive trip packages. To enter the drawings, players can fill out the back of each non-winning ticket, affix a first-class stamp and mail the ticket.

Barnhill has one piece of advice for other Texas Lottery players, “You have to play to win.”

Tomorrow’s *Mega Millions*® jackpot is an estimated \$12 million. Saturday’s *Powerball*® jackpot is an estimated \$51 million, and the *Lotto Texas*® jackpot is an estimated \$13 million. For more information about the Texas Lottery, please visit the official website at www.txlottery.org.

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