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DALLAS COWBOYS FAN WINS 2010 SEASON TICKETS IN TEXAS LOTTERY® DRAWING

(Austin) – James Smith of Dallas has been a Dallas Cowboys fan from the beginning, so it was only natural that he would enjoy the *Dallas Cowboys* scratch-off game from the Texas Lottery®. He plays the game regularly and mails in his non-winning tickets for the second-chance drawings. Still, he wasn't quite prepared when he found out he won a pair of tickets for the Dallas Cowboys 2010 season.



“When the man from the lottery told me I won the Cowboys tickets, I could not speak for a few seconds,” said Smith. “I went blank. I didn’t realize I’d really done it – I won the tickets.”

According to Smith, living in the Dallas area will make the games easy to attend, but he’s not ready to quit winning just yet.

“I’m still putting tickets in. I want to win the big one,” said Smith, referring to the Dallas Cowboys “Wild Weekend” Package. That prize includes a VIP trip for 20 to watch a game at the new Dallas Cowboys Stadium.

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The *Dallas Cowboys* scratch-off ticket features instant cash prizes up to \$100,000, and hundreds of prizes will be given away in the final second-chance drawing to be held after the end of the game. Players who wish to enter the drawing should fill out the back of each non-winning *Dallas Cowboys* instant ticket, affix a first-class stamp and mail.

“As a long-time fan of the Dallas Cowboys, Mr. Smith is sure to make good use of these season tickets,” said Texas Lottery Commission Deputy Executive Director Gary Grief. “The Cowboys have deep roots here in Texas, and we are pleased to offer this game to our players and their fans, alike.”

Tonight’s *Mega Millions*® jackpot is an estimated \$16 million. Tomorrow’s *Lotto Texas*® jackpot is an estimated \$26 million.

For more information about the Texas Lottery, please visit the official Web site at <http://www.txlottery.org>.

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