20 YEAR RETAILER SPOTLIGHT **Country Corner Exxon**

By Vicki Maddox, Upstate MSR

Over 20 years ago, when the South Carolina Education Lottery was being considered, Ben Parekh thought it would be good for his business. Country Corner Exxon in Anderson applied to be a lottery retailer and is still one today.

Parekh remembers starting with just four scratch-off games—three \$1 tickets and one \$2 ticket. He had a steady stream of customers when the Lottery started.

"I had one UPS driver who bought a whole book of lottery tickets every week for about 3 months," he said.

When Pick 3 and Pick 4 were introduced, Parekh remembers training customers on the games. "It didn't take long and the customers were experts," he said.

Parekh has always promoted the Lottery. He knows our games and keeps his dispensers full. His lottery business has steadily grown, and with pride he shared "this year is the first time my store's lottery sales have already exceeded \$500,000."



Ben Parekh pictured.

On a personal note, Parekh's daughter took full advantage of a lottery-funded scholarship. Reema went to the University of South Carolina and MUSC. Today she works at Emory in Atlanta, GA. Ben, obviously a proud father, is grateful for the scholarship. The Lottery has been a Win-Win for his business and family.

New Games

Scheduled to launch Tues., January 4:









Launch dates and tickets are subject to change. Artwork shown is not necessarily representative of final product.

Ticket Alerts

LAST DAY TO SELL

Wed., January 5: Loose Change (#1322) & Crazy 8s

Wed., January 19: Triple 333 (#1331) Wed., January 26: Wild Cherry Doubler (#1290)

LAST DAY TO RETURN

Fri., January 7: Hit \$500 (#1280) & Hit \$50 (#1286) Fri., January 21: Lucky Corners (#1274) & Golden 10s (#1311)

Fri., January 28: Super Crossword (#1314)

LAST DAY TO REDEEM

Tues., January 4: Money Maker (#1302) Tues., January 11: Cash Blowout (#1271), Mighty Jumbo Bucks (#1295) & Junior Jumbo Bucks

Tues., January 25: Lucky Loot (#1289) & 7-11-21 Live! (#1293)

-Dates current as of 11/12/21.

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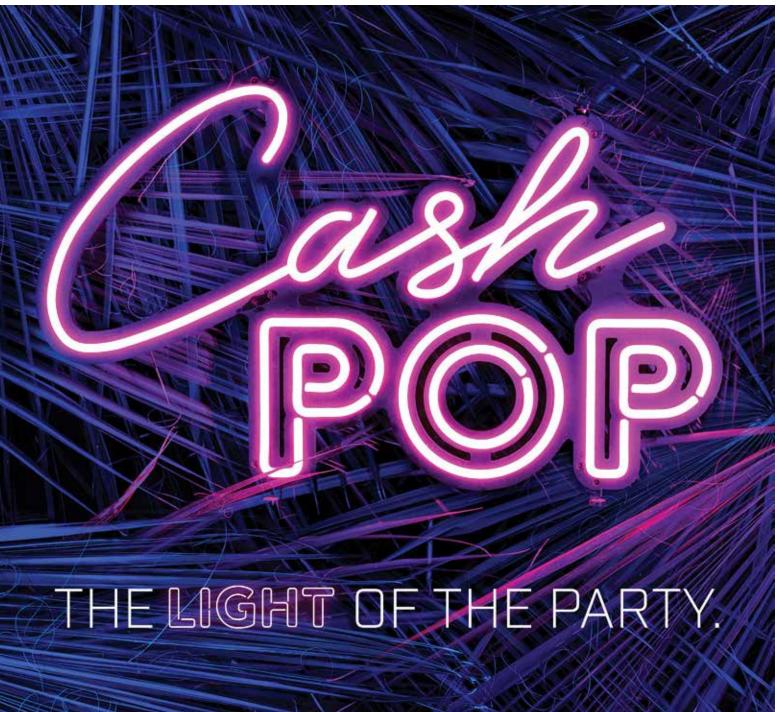
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Reminders

BY STATE LAW, ODDS INFORMATION MUST BE DISPLAYED IN ALL RETAIL OUTLETS ADJACENT TO SCEL POINT OF SALE. This information is included in the piece called "Odds of Our Games."

Display the Top Prizes Remaining Report: Every morning when you sign on, your terminal will generate a "Top Prizes Remaining" report. Please post this updated report in the clear sleeve or the change mat placed on your counter by your MSR. The clear sleeve must be on your ticket dispenser or near the point of purchase. You can run this report at any time from your reports menu if a player requests the information.

SCEL also provides updated prizes remaining and end-of-game information on a weekly basis. This information is also sent out in all ticket orders. Please make sure you review and display the most current information in your play station.

Instant game fact sheets with odds and prize information are always available for players. MSRs attach this information to a ring on the play station. Encourage players to read the information, but discourage them from removing this resource.

The Instant Game Ticket Information Sign and About Our Odds Sign must be posted at or near the point of purchase.

Contact Information

Ticket Orders: Contact Your MSR

Stolen/Missing Tickets: 1-866-269-5668

IGT Help Desk: 1-844-458-8535

Customer Information: 1-866-736-9819

Winning Numbers Line: 1-803-734-4966 (IW)

Winning Numbers Line: 1-803-734-4966 (IWON)
Licensing Information: 1-866-737-7235 (Option 4)
Gambling Addiction Services: 1-877-452-5155

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Are you ready for CASH POP?

CASH POP, the daily draw game where one number wins, goes on sale Monday, January 17. Let's review the basics.

It's simple to play and explain.

Pick as many numbers (POPs) as you want to play from 1 - 15 or quick pick one POP. Choose "COVER ALL" to play all 15 POPs and guarantee a win!

Pick a wager \$1, \$2, \$5 or \$10 per POP.

To figure the cost of a ticket, multiply the number of POPs by the wager. For example, five POPs and a \$2 wager costs \$10.

CASH POP tickets print with the player's POPs and prize amounts circled.

To win, match one number! Match your POPs to the one winning **CASH POP** number drawn.

Prize amounts are randomly selected based on the wager. A \$1 wager wins from \$5 to \$250. A \$2 wager wins from \$10 to \$500. A \$5 wager wins from \$25 to \$1,250. And a \$10 wager wins from \$50 to \$2,500.

CASH POP drawings are held every day at 12:59 p.m. and 6:59 p.m. No midday drawing on Sundays or Christmas Day. Evening draws are televised. Results are available at sceducationlottery.com and the Players' Club App.

CASH POP play slips and brochures at your store offer step-by-step instructions for how to play and are a great resource. Also suggest players download the Players' Club App to create a **CASH POP** e-play slip. E-play slips provide a fun experience and will save time at the register too.

Don't forget to "ASK FOR THE SALE" with **CASH POP!** A special Retailer Incentive offers you the chance to win either \$200, \$300 or \$500, so sell, sell, sell. Your lottery sales representative will be providing all the details.



20th Anniversary Promotion to Create 240 Winners of \$2,000 Each Starts This Month!

The South Carolina Education Lottery is celebrating its 20th Anniversary with a yearlong, second-chance promotion for cash prizes!

20 winners of \$2,000 each will be selected each month of 2022!

It all starts on Tuesday, January 4 when \$5 Carolina Riches, the first of 16 scratch-offs included in this promotion, goes on sale. Carolina Riches was first sold by the Lottery on its opening day of sales on January 7, 2002.

Looking ahead, special themed tickets like an oversized *Palmetto Payout* in the spring and the *Carolina Gold Series* in the summer, along with past, player favorites like *3 Times Lucky*, *Scenic South Carolina*, *Weekly Bonus* and others will be launching this year.

How do players enter the 20th Anniversary Second-Chance Promotion?

Purchase one of the 16 planned scratch-offs in honor of the Lottery's 20th birthday. To identify which games are eligible, just look for the "Enter 20th Anniversary Promotion" snipe in the right corner of the tickets. Only non-winning tickets for these games are eligible and can be entered either online at sceducationlottery.com or by using the Lottery's Players' Club app.

When are the monthly drawings for \$2,000?

Drawings will be held the last Wednesday of every month in 2022. Entries do not carry over to the next drawing. So tell players to get those entries in. Entry deadlines and draw dates will be posted on the Lottery's website.

Encourage your players to give these distinctly South Carolina and sometimes nostalgic tickets a try. There's more to come on the Lottery's 20th Anniversary Second-Chance Promotion in upcoming newsletters.