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COLLEGE STATION DOG FEATURED ON TEXAS LOTTERY SCRATCH TICKET

New \$2 scratch ticket now available at Texas Lottery retailers

(AUSTIN) – Della, a 4-year-old Pomeranian and Shih Tzu mix, owned by Madison Wenske of College Station, is one of six dogs and six cats featured on the new Texas Lottery® scratch ticket, [Cats vs. Dogs](#). The \$2 scratch ticket is now available at Texas Lottery retailers and offers more than \$9.1 million in total prizes and six top prizes of \$30,000.

Della and the 11 other dogs and cats featured on the game were the top vote getters in the Texas Lottery’s Facebook photo contest in November 2015.

“More than 1,700 dogs and cats were entered into the photo contest and nearly 25,000 votes were cast,” said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery. “With the tremendous response to our photo contest, we expect this game to be a hit with our players.”

“They say you will have that one pet that means the world to you, and Della is that pet to me,” said Wenske.

Wenske describes Della as a “prissy pup” and says she is very social.

“She loves prissing around the neighborhood on walks or taking a ride in the car to town. She has the personality of a diva and thinks she is the boss,” she said.

Wenske said the best part of owning a dog is that “you will always have a friend who will be there for you through ups and downs.”

Cats vs. Dogs Scratch Ticket Contest Winners

Dog Winners	Cat Winners
Stella from Ovilla, owner Paige Sills	Markus from Arlington, owner Peggy Wyrostek
Noel from Sugar Land, owner Tammy Taylor	Fangsy from Dallas, owner Jennifer Frye
Della from College Station, owner Madison Wenske	Allie from Dallas, owner Jeff Henderson
Murray from Victoria, owner Cindy Saunders	Teddy from Houston, owner Cindy Jones
Finny from Sugar Land, owner Stephanie Collins	Bubba from Pharr, owner Ariana Hinojosa
Booker Tee from San Angelo, owner Walker Woolman	Vladimir from Odessa, owner Amaris Sherman

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About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated \$24 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$47 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$19 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. Since the first veterans' themed scratch ticket game was launched in 2009, the Texas Lottery has contributed more than \$52 million for programs supporting Texas veterans.

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[®], Texas Triple Chance[™] and scratch ticket games. For more information visit us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube or at www.txlottery.org.

Editors/News Directors, note: Images of the scratch ticket featuring Della and the 11 other dogs and cats to be featured on the Cats vs. Dogs scratch game are attached in JPEG format.

To schedule an interview with Della's owner, Madison Wenske, please contact the Texas Lottery's Media Relations Division at 512-344-5131 or at mediarelations@lottery.state.tx.us

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