

Kentucky Lottery win to reunite sisters



Denna Hoover (PHOTO SUBMITTED)

Staff Report

Lexington resident Donna Hoover has not seen her sister in years, and thanks to her recent \$50,000 win on the \$5 Lucky Horseshoe Crossword she plans to reunite with her.

"I haven't seen my sister in Tennessee in 6 years. In this economy, I haven't been able to buy a car, and my current car won't make it down there," Hoover said. "I plan to buy a car so I can go see her."

Hoover said she borrowed a family member's car recently to drive to Kentucky Lottery Headquarters in

Louisville to claim her winnings from her Scratch-off win, \$36,000 after taxes.

Hoover rarely purchases Lottery games; however, her husband enjoys playing crossword Scratch-offs, so she purchased one Lucky Horseshoe Crossword at Clark's Pump-N-Shop, 313 West New Circle Road in Lexington.

"I was eating breakfast when I scratched the ticket, thinking the entire time it wasn't going to be a winner because I never win," she said. "I started counting and I had 10 words, and I was like 'no way.' I looked at the back of the ticket, and I counted again, and I had

10 words, and I looked at the back of the ticket again. I finally realized it was a winner."

Revealing 10 words on Lucky Horseshoe Crossword earns a player the top prize of \$50,000.

Hoover called her husband who didn't believe her at first.

"I told him, 'now why would I lie to you about something like this,'" she joked. "Of course he didn't believe me so when I showed him the ticket, he had to count for himself."

When Hoover spoke with Lottery officials recently, she said she had not told her sister that she was coming to visit her.

"I may not. I may just

go," she said emotionally.

The Kentucky Lottery's \$5 Lucky Horseshoe Crossword Scratch-off hit retailers around the state Aug. 7, 2025. There is one \$50,000 top prize remaining along with 55 \$1,000 second-tier prizes and 84 \$500 third-tier prizes.

Clark's Pump-N-Shop
will receive \$500 for
selling the winning ticket.

In 2025, the Kentucky Lottery paid out more than \$1.6 billion in prizes. Kentucky Lottery proceeds have funded scholarships and grants for more than 1 million Kentucky college students.

Ale-8-One continues revival debuting Zero Sugar Roxa Kola

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Ale-8-One continues the old school trend, debuting a new iteration of Roxa Kola®, offering the popular retro soda with zero sugar. The iconic Winchester-based soda company brought back the original Roxa Kola flavor in 2023 with “Return to your roots,” a nod to the Brand’s origin. This latest release builds on the tremendous success of the 2023 launch, offering an alternative zero sugar variety aligned with consumer demands in this category.

Roxa Kola Zero will hit shelves at select retailers in Central Kentucky beginning on September 22, 2025. This limited

release will be available as a 6-pack of glass bottles at a family friendly price point. Roxa Kola Zero Sugar contains no aspartame.

"We are working very hard to deliver quality zero sugar products across our suite of flavors. Roxa Zero is something we knew fans wanted and we are excited to deliver on this for them. With all things worthwhile, the process takes time to ensure we get it right," said Daphne Price, Director of Product Excellence and Innovations.

The original Roxa Kola recipe, created by G.L. Wainscott in 1906, was an homage to his wife Roxanne and represents the

very foundation upon which Ale-8-One was built. Before "A late one," first came Roxa Kola.

Visit www.Ale-8-One.com or follow @ale8one on social to stay updated on the Roxa Kola re-release and the entire Ale-8-One portfolio of flavors.

Ale-8-One Bottling Company was founded in 1902 by Wainscott in Winchester, Kentucky, and remains the oldest privately held bottler in the United States still owned and operated by the founding family.

Ale-8-One soft drink has been bottled in green glass in Winchester since 1926.

The only soft drink
invented in Kentucky still

in existence, Ale-8-One's proprietary blend is flavored with ginger and citrus and contains less carbonation and fewer calories than conventional sodas.

The company's founder and inventor, G.L. Wain-scott developed the recipe, and to this day his great-great-nephew, Fielding Rogers, personally blends every batch of Ale 8-One.

Ale-8-One is widely available in Kentucky, nationwide online, in Kroger stores throughout the Southeast, and at most Cracker Barrel Old Country Stores and at Fresh Market.



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Zero Sugar Roxa Kola will arrive on store shelves later this month.

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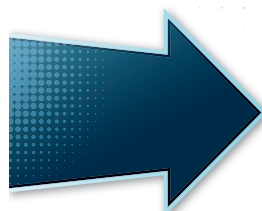
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