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Gaming News

Gaming on the 2020 Ballot Sees Nationwide Support

oters approved referendums in all six states with gambling on the 2020 ballot, a clean sweep that will expand casino gaming in three states and bring legal sports betting to three more.

Some form of legal gaming is currently authorized in 44 states, and more than 45 percent of American adults live in states with regulated sports betting, according to the American Gaming Association.

The big day for legal gaming underscores the vital role the industry plays in the country, especially as it recovers economically from the COVID-19 pandemic, AGA President Bill Miller said in a recent statement.

"As a result of successful ballot measures in six gaming states, more Americans will have access to much-needed job opportunities, dedicated tax revenue, and safe, regulated entertainment options closer to home," Miller said.

Here are the major developments from the recent elections:

Maryland Sports Betting

The most-watched sports betting ballot measure passed easily, opening the door for legal wagering in what industry stakeholders believe will be one of the nation's more lucrative per capita markets, thanks to Maryland's highly educated, tech-savvy and affluent population-as well as strong fan support for local sports teams. Maryland voters' 66.3% - 33.7% support for this ballot measure means every Mid-Atlantic state will have legal sports betting. The aforementioned demographics and neighboring competition (all states bordering Maryland have already approved legal wagering) had industry stakeholders optimistic voters would support the constitutional amendment that will permit wagering. Now lawmakers will have to work through critical follow-up legislation that will determine tax rates, operator eligibility and the number of retail and online licenses available, among other major decisions.



a legal wager. Voters in 55 of the state's 64 parishes approved sports betting, making up more than 90% of the state's population. Parishes with casinos, such as Orleans (New Orleans), Caddo (Shreveport) and East Baton Rouge (Baton Rouge), all approved sports betting, as expected, but so too did every Parish with more than 100,000 residents. The nine parishes voting "no" are exclusively in rural areas. Lawmakers will now determine how sports betting will be conducted (and if that will include mobile wagering) when they return for their 2021 legislative session, scheduled to begin in April.

South Dakota Sports Betting Approved

two-to-one margins, a resounding voice of support for commercial gaming in a state that has long resisted gambling in any form. They overcame one of the more organized "no" campaigns of any gaming measure in the 2020 cycle, which included public and financial opposition from Gov. Pete Ricketts and former Nebraska football coach and Senator Tom Osborne.

First Virginia Casinos Finalized

Lawmakers approved five casinos earlier this year, but all five need local voter approval. Four of the five posted referendums on this year's ballot and, as expected, all four overwhelmingly supported the new casinos. The cities of Bristol, Danville, Norfolk and Portsmouth all easily approved casinos in their respective municipalities, capping years of work from area politicians and civic leaders that championed the facilities as economic drivers. The fifth possible casino destination, Richmond, will likely hold its ballot measure next year.

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Louisiana Sports Betting Passes Most Parishes

Louisiana voted at the parish level for sports betting, but nearly all the state will be able to place . .

South Dakota's constitution will be amended so casinos in the historic gaming town of Deadwood can accept sports wagers. By law, the state's federally recognized Native American casinos will also be able to take sports bets. And, as with other states that approved sports betting measures, lawmakers will need to pass follow-up legislation before wagering can begin.

Nebraska Permits First Casinos

Nebraska voters overwhelmingly backed three separate constitutional amendments that will legalize, regulate and tax, respectively, "games of chance" in the Cornhusker State. All six state horse tracks will now be able to convert into "racinos" that permit slots, table games and other "Las Vegasstyle" casino offerings. All three amendments passed by roughly

Colorado Voters Expand Gaming

Casinos in the historic mountain gaming towns of Black Hawk, Central City and Cripple Creek will all be able to expand gaming options and accept bets larger than \$100 thanks to overwhelming voter support on a 2020 ballot measure. Many of the roughly three-dozen casinos spread between the three towns have expanded their physical retail footprints in recent years and will now be able to do the same with their gaming options.





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Bingo News

Minnesota's Eat Local Bingo

In another effort to help support local businesses through the pandemic, Duluth introduced Eat Local Bingo.

Participants can download a bingo card at www.duluthga.net/ eatlocal. The bingo games run through Jan. 31. After completing a valid bingo (5 in a row), participants submit their information through the online submission form. The grand prize winner will receive gift cards and gifts purchased from local businesses with a \$250+ value. "Our community has already shown great support for local bars, restaurants, cafes, and bakeries, so we thought we would make a game out of it. Maybe players will even discover something new." said Senior Marketing Coordinator Talore Ruedt.

Alabama Bingo Approved

Voters in Calhoun County recently approved an amendment allowing a local group in Anniston, Alabama to legally continue holding bingo games for charity. The measure, which was approved with 74% of the vote, allows Anniston's Elks Lodge No. 189 to continue legally operating its bingo games, which generate thousands of dollars each year to benefit the community. In 2019, the lodge gave away about \$88,000 to charitable organizations, students, and area youth programs. "We've been doing this for over 50 years; we just needed to make it legal," Elk Lodge **Trustee Benjamin Cunningham** said.



Bingo players in Ireland successfully blocked a move to cap prize money payouts at Irish bingo halls to limit live bingo prize payouts to 50% of net takings. A well-orchestrated demonstration saw between 50 and 100 bingo players bussed to Leinster House (home to the Irish parliament) to protest at the proposal claiming it would "shut down every bingo hall in Ireland." Their collective voice was heard throughout the country with the protest attracting substantial media publicity.

Illegal Online Bingo Bust

A Florida couple took a gamble with an online lottery scheme and now face hundreds of criminal counts, according to police. The couple, 33-year-old Dexter Rhodes and 27-year-old Deget Lane, face more than 300 counts of illegally setting up, promoting and/or conducting a lottery. "It was all set up on Facebook. People could get online and play, what they thought they were going to play, **Bingo," Haines City Police Chief** Jim Elensky said. Police say the Polk County pair hosted games on the "Lavish Life Bingo" Facebook page. Participants would pay as much as \$45 to enter and officers say Rhodes and Lane would use a Bingo app to randomly pick winners. Haines City police officers discovered the activity while monitoring Rhodes' online activity. He was out on bond on narcotics charges at the time.

but the old number will continue to work.

Veterans who call either number should press 1 after dialing to reach the Veterans Crisis Line. They also can chat online at www.veteranscrisisline. net or text 838255. There's also support for the deaf or hard of hearing at TTY 1-800-799-4889.

When you read the nationwide tats, you know how important the crisis lines are. Two years ago, the hotline answered over 2 million calls, averaging over 180,000 calls per month. Chats are used as well, averaging 8,500 per month. On the Veterans Crisis Line, there is a network of 400 suicide prevention coordinators at VA facilities around the country. After a completed call to the crisis line, within a day, one of those coordinators will hook up with the caller as follow-up. The support for veterans in crisis is free. The crisis line serves all veterans, service members, National Guard and Reserve, as well as family members and friends. Go online to <u>www.</u> veteranscrisisline.net to see the signs of crisis. Then make the call if needed.

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We know to call 911 for an emergency, but we'll soon be getting an additional number. Starting in the summer of 2022, we'll also have 988 as a direct line for suicide prevention and mental health crises.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Substance **Abuse and Mental Health Services** Administration, the Department of Veteran Affairs and the North American Numbering Council all have been working together, and this summer the FCC adopted rules to designate this number -988. The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline will still be working at 1-800-273-8255 (1-800-273-TALK). As different parts of the country come online, those calling the new number will be transferred over to the crisis line,



High School Reunion Bingo

Dear Aunt Bingo,

I thought I'd pass along this story about a Bingo game idea I came up with for my 25th high school reunion.

Some high school classmates and I made up the planning committee for the reunion. Because the 25th is such a "big one," We wanted to come up with some activities that were fun and unusual—something more than the typical music and dancing in the gym.

As a group we settled on a casino night theme, which we knew would fit in well with the party atmosphere of the reunion.

Because I am a Bingo fan, I suggested that we add Bingo to

the casino games. The suggestion got a half-hearted vote of approval from the committee, but everyone got a lot more supportive after I assured them I would take on all the responsibility of arranging it, and they finally okayed it as part of the reunion.

We hired a company that did casino-style events, and I found a place where you could rent Bingo equipment and get Bingo supplies. One of the teachers at the school was a caller at one of the local Bingos and she volunteered to call for us and bring a couple of helpers.

Our 25th reunion got a very good turnout for a school our size—close to 250 people. Quite a few said that the casino-night theme was what finally convinced them to attend, which made all of us on the planning committee feel very good.

The gym was set up for the main music/dancing/socializing part of the reunion; a couple of other rooms were used as lounges and for a silent auction and some other activities; and the cafeteria was split between the casino games and the Bingo.

For the first hour or so we were a little worried because everyone was hanging out in the gym and not visiting any of the other rooms. Eventually people began to spread out and a handful of guys showed up at the casino room. They got pretty loud at the roulette wheel, which caught others' attention and drew more folks to the games. Pretty soon we had a really good crowd in the casino room. Two or three couples sat down at the Bingo tables and I hurried over to give them Bingo paper and daubers. They were polite and said thank you, then kind of pushed the Bingo stuff to the side. I realized they weren't sitting down to play Bingo, they were simply there to chat with friends.

I spotted another group and tried to give them Bingo paper, but they wouldn't even take it. I was in a panic—my Bingo event was bombing.

I ran down the hallway and spotted a bunch of my old high school friends, and asked (actually, begged) them to come play Bingo and get things going. They agreed, and followed me to the Bingo games. There were maybe 12 of us total.

The caller fired up the machine and announced that Bingo was starting. Nobody else came over. She announced two more times, and a handful of people sat down. The caller gave me a look and shrugged, then she started calling the numbers (for a total of maybe 20 players). That's when it dawned on me that once the game began, nobody else could join in. Not good.

My friends and I made the best of it and broke the cardinal rule of no talking at Bingo and wound up laughing and talking and having a great time. When my friend, Kim, finally Bingoed, she screamed it really loud and we all shouted and laughed and made a big deal out of it, and the caller did the same when she gave Kim a wrapped prize—which Kim tore open to reveal was a mini crock pot.

Our noisy fun (thanks, girls!) and that prize (who doesn't love appliances?) caught the attention of a lot of people, and a small crowd sat down for the next game.

The Bingo helpers and I scrambled to pass out Bingo paper and daubers and keep the games moving, which they did for quite some time. I'll admit that there were a lot of empty seats apparently live music, dancing, and casino games trump Bingo but enough classmates told me that the Bingo was a fun addition that I have no regrets about making it part of the reunion. — *Meg P., New York, via email*

Dear Meg,

As I was reading your letter I got a bit of a knot in my stomach as I realized that this story had the potential for a wonderful, or very embarrassing, ending.

God bless those fabulous friends of yours for stepping in to help you make your Bingo games a successful part of the reunion. I'll bet you a mini crock pot that every one of them—not to mention all those other classmates who sat down for a little class reunion Bingo—took home a story from the experience that they'll treasure and share for some time to come. —Aunt Bingo

Share your views! Write to Aunt Bingo c/o the Bingo Bugle, P.O. Box 527, Vashon, Washington 98070.

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All contest entries must be deposited in Bingo Bugle advertiser halls (eligible halls are listed in the advertiser listing on page 3).

Entries are limited to one entry per person, per bingo location, per month. (Example: If you visit 10 different bingo locations in one month and deposit your entry at each location, you can win up to \$100! If you visit one bingo hall per month, you can win up to \$25.) All entries must be filled out completely and include the name of the bingo location you visited. Entries that are not filled out properly, or that we cannot read due to illegible handwriting, or are considered a duplicate will be disqualified. We look forwa ď to your entry(s) every month and appreciate your continued readership. Good Luck!

Monthly Winners to Date:

August: James Mehr, Little Canada Market Place Bingo; Karen Hoppe, Marian KC; Sharon Boldt, West St. Paul Bingo Palace; Cheryl Funk, Roseville Bingo Hall. September: Tom Brockway, Little Canada Market Place Bingo: Deloris Miller, Buffalo AL Post 270; Richard Allen Lang, West St. Paul Bingo Palace: Allen Becker, Treasure Island Bingo. October: Teodolo Caudillo, West St. Paul Bingo Palace; Jean Schaffhausen, Roseville Bingo Hall; Niomi Crow McKinney, Treasure Island Bingo; Richard George, Buffalo AL #270. November: Dan Olson, Roseville Bingo Hall; Sandra Rogers, Marian KC; Elaine Zabel, Buffalo AL #270; Robin Stiles, Little Canada Market Place Bingo.

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January Winners

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Horoscopes for January 2021

ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20): The cosmos supports your suspicion that attention will best be spent on finding new ways to claim a spot for yourself in the world at large. The new year is about breaking free from the comforts of home (or hiding) and stepping out onto a larger stage. If you've been harboring a dream this is the time to launch its frontrunners. Lucky Days: 3 - 13 Lucky Numbers: 29 - 34

TAURUS (APR 21-MAY 21):

Finally, the tides are turning in the new year, and giving you the organizational skills to put all of your ducks in a safe and tidy row. Be on the lookout for innovative friends and colleagues that can help release you from outworn ideas or methods that no longer serve you. Follow their example and you'll discover new facets of yourself that will amaze you. Lucky Days: 3 - 22 Lucky Numbers: 19 - 50

GEMINI (MAY 22-JUN 21):

The New Moon on the 13th takes place in your house of profound transformation. You might bristle at being forced to confront secrets that you'd prefer remain hidden; but keep this in mind: the strength and fortitude you long for will be found in the parts of your nature that you consider too dark

Puzzle Solutions Bugle Crossword



or heavy-handed. Lucky Days: 1 - 3 Lucky Numbers: 18 - 23

CANCER (JUN 22-JUL 22):

A new year and a new central relationship. Venus and the New Moon on the 13th are magnetizing exciting people into your social circle. Keep an eye out on the individuals who have a bit more maturity under the belt. They are the ones that will best compliment your desire for wisdom, compassion and understanding. Lucky Days: 22 - 28 Lucky Numbers: 46 - 55

LEO (JUL 23-AUG 23): As one of the most self-directed signs, you're in for some major adjustments in the new year. There will be increased pressure to blend your creative gifts with other people. Be it in marriage, a business partnering or by becoming a leader in your community. Don't shirk this new phase of life as the lessons it brings will be rewarding. Lucky Days: 9 - 11 Lucky Numbers: 5 - 15

VIRGO (AUG 24-SEP 23): The new year will feel like stepping onto a stage that you've been preparing to mount since last summer. With Mercury as your ruler you are able to morph easily into surprising parts of your character when the occasion calls for it. And in 2021 it's time to show the world a side of yourself that no one has seen before. Lucky Days: 7 - 10 Lucky Numbers: 23 - 32

LIBRA (SEP 24-OCT 23): Your soul has always leaned towards the arts and beauty as one of the central ways to express yourself in life. But in the new year you'll be drawn to some radically surprising forms of self-expression. Don't hold back because you think your ideas are too challenging. You'll want to push out of your comfort zone and put bring forth some of your finest creative offerings in 2021. Lucky Days: 3 - 16 Lucky Numbers: 4 - 19

SCORPIO (OCT 24-NOV 22):

2021 is all about home for you. And you are ready to rise to the occasion of remodeling all aspects of the domestic front. You can also include redecorating and

reorganizing into that mix too. You'll thrive on the inspiration that being in a new nest will generate. Consult with experts if you feel the need for any outside opinions or directions. Lucky Days: 23 - 25 Lucky Numbers: 2 - 34

SAGITTARIUS (NOV 23-DEC

21): What many people don't know about you is that you're a wellspring of wisdom that is just waiting for the right opportunity for you to share, teach or publish. Well, surprise! That's the central theme for your new year: Finding ways to instruct, lead, teach or inspire others with your backlog of knowledge.

Lucky Days: 9 - 19 Lucky Numbers: 4 - 34

CAPRICORN (DEC 22-JAN 20):

Research is the keyword for your new year. You need more facts and details about matters related to finances and finding the best ways to secure your retirement (or add assets to your golden years presently). The fun news is that the January 13th New Moon brings a surprise revelation related to an old hobby that you can revamp as a source of new income. Lucky Days: 8 - 54 Lucky Numbers: 2 - 19

AQUARIUS (JAN 21-FEB 19):

2021 is the year to leave what's comfortable and explore what seems distant or unfamiliar, but not improbable or impossible. How to begin? Take up a new cause or practice that works to energize the intellect. Figure out how your thoughts color your moods and will power. If you keep the brain engaged, you can overcome niggling doubts that might undermine your new plans. Lucky Days: 3 - 30 Lucky Numbers: 4 - 55

PISCES (FEB 20-MAR 20): Last year ended with a super conjunction between Jupiter and Saturn in your secret house of dreams. This portends powerful assistance coming from the unconscious realm, forces way more powerful than any of your efforts to wrangle reality. Your motto for 2021 comes from the Eastern wisdom of Tao: "Nature does not hurry, yet everything is accomplished.'

Lucky Days: 1 - 17 Lucky Numbers: 6 - 45



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THURSDAY

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Poker: You Don't Have to Win Every Pot You Enter

By Jonathan Little

Some poker players think they must do everything in their power to win every pot they enter. Many players simply aren't comfortable with the idea of losing their hardearned money to another player.

It's fun and exciting to constantly scoop chips, but you'll find that most of the players who are hell-bent on winning every pot they enter — whether it's very few pots or almost every one — will lose money in the long run.

A common and successful strategy in small-stakes nolimit hold'em games is to play a relatively tight, conservative strategy. While you will only win a small number of pots, you'll tend to win a high percentage of the pots you enter because your opponents will often be playing trashy hands that your hand will dominate. If you start with the best hand, you should expect to win more often than players who start with weak holdings.

It's not uncommon to see aggressive players vastly overplay a decent but non-premium hand such as top pair with a good kicker because they perceive it to be a strong holding. They assume that since their hand is strong, they should try to get their entire stack in.

Let's say you're playing in a game where the stacks are 75 big blinds or deeper. If you see a flop with five other players, A-K is usually not too strong on a K-J-9 board, especially if one of your opponents wants to put his entire stack in the pot. You must be aware that your top pair with top kicker is likely beat. If you do not find a snug fold, you will have a difficult time winning money.

When someone clearly loves their hand, you simply must have a premium hand to continue. Do not be afraid to listen to what your straightforward opponents are trying to tell you.

Also, in pots where four or more players are involved, someone is likely to have a premium hand. If it isn't you, it's probably one of your opponents.

Eventually, tight, aggressive players realize they can win more money if they start playing a few more hands before the flop, and they evolve into loose, aggressive players. When you are aggressively fighting for a high percentage of pots, you'll find that you often hold the worst hand. If players are used to winning a high percentage of the pots they enter, they are often uncomfortable with the idea of losing a decent portion of the pots where they invest money.

This is where the vast majority of players fail. If their initial attempt to play a loose-aggressive style results in too many lost pots, they revert back to playing a tight strategy and never move up to higher games.

If you want to succeed in the middle- and high-stakes games, you must accept the fact that you will lose pots on a regular basis. It's an unavoidable part of the game. If you can lose money without experiencing any sort of emotional turmoil, you will be well on your way to becoming a worldclass poker player..

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Lucky Lotto News

Two Merced. California men on opposite ends of the Valley have one thing in common-they both suddenly become millionaires. In the North Valley, Ramon Gonzalez got his \$5 million jackpot from a **Golden State Riches Scratchers** ticket he picked up at Cressey Store in Merced County. In the South Valley, Armando Hernandez Robles won \$2 million after scratching an Instant Prize **Crossword Scratchers he bought** at Pixley Gas in Tulare County. **Cressey Store owner Indarpal** Mann chuckled and said, "It puts us on the map." Creesey, California, is a small town of approximately 400 people. This Cressey store is owned by the Mann's—a family trying to stay afloat in this challenging economy, but now they have a winning ticket making this little town feel big. Each store will earn a bonus for selling the winning ticket. The Cressev store will get \$25,000 which they hope to use for renovations. Pixley Gas will get a \$10,000 bonus. According to the California Lottery, its employees continue to serve an essential government function. providing supplemental funding to the state's public schools. colleges, and universities. The California Lottery is celebrating its 35th anniversary this month, highlighting the more than \$37 billion raised for public education since October of 1985.





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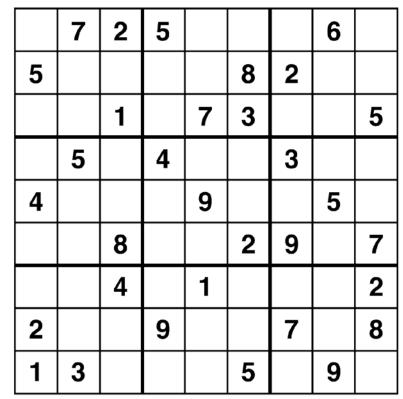
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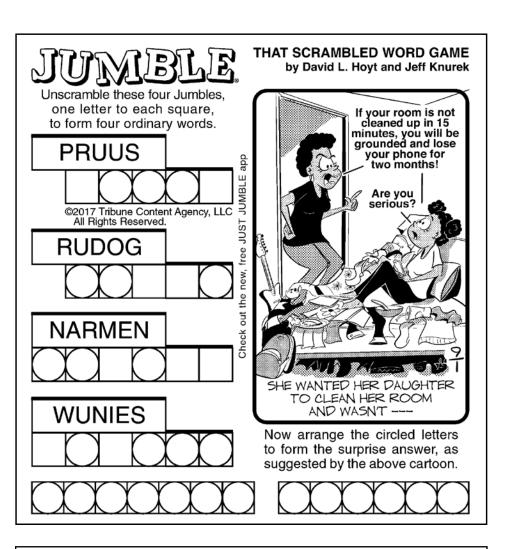
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