



A charitable lottery initiative supporting GBHS Hospital Foundations through Owen Sound Regional Hospital Foundation

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Game On! Catch the Ace for a Chance to Win & Contribute to New MRI

No limit to how large the progressive jackpot prize can be!

The five hospital foundations that fundraise for Grey Bruce Health Services are joining forces to host the popular Catch the Ace lottery in support of a new MRI for the Owen Sound Regional Hospital.

Catch the Ace GBHS lottery tickets will go on sale Thursday, July 26, 2018 with the first draw taking place Thursday, August 2, 2018 at 10:00am at the Owen Sound Regional Hospital Foundation. The progressive jackpot grows with respect to how many tickets are sold and how long the lottery lasts. Catch the Ace GBHS will jumpstart the five foundations' initiative to raise \$4.7 million for a new MRI machine.

Here's how the lottery works.

In the Owen Sound Regional Hospital Foundation office, there are 52 playing cards individually sealed in manila envelopes. These envelopes are numbered from 1 through 52 and will be on display in the Foundation office at the Owen Sound Regional Hospital. Nobody knows which envelope contains the Ace of Spades – until the lucky winner catches it!

Purchase your tickets for \$5 each! When you purchase your ticket, on your stub, you will be asked to pre-select an envelope number. If you are the lucky weekly winner you win 20% of that week's ticket revenues and the numbered envelope you selected on your ticket will be opened to reveal a card. If the card is not the Ace of Spades, the card will be destroyed and the lottery continues for another week. If the card is the Ace of Spades, you win the progressive jackpot too! The progressive jackpot grows each week with 30% of weekly ticket sales revenue being added in.

"The whole community can follow along to see if and when the Ace of Spades is caught. As the lottery progresses the jackpot will grow and things may get very exciting," said Brian Shannon, Chair of the Five Foundations Committee. "This lottery is a great way to have some fun, and raise money for the new MRI."

The MRI in the Owen Sound Regional Hospital is used over 10,000 times per year on patients from across Grey and Bruce to diagnose a range of medical conditions. Tests done with the next generation of MRI technology will be faster, quieter and more comfortable for patients, and will provide physicians with high quality images to aid in an accurate diagnosis.

“The MRI is a critical piece of diagnostic equipment, and for many patients, test results from an MRI help save lives,” said Dr. Colin McIver, Chief of Radiology. “Whether it’s a broken bone, or a severe brain injury, we want to provide patients with the best technology available, and we are very pleased that the Foundations are helping make this possible.”

Catch the Ace tickets can be purchased at the following hospital foundation offices starting on July 26, 2018: Owen Sound Regional Hospital Foundation, Meaford Hospital Foundation, Bruce Peninsula Health Services Foundation at the Wiarton Hospital, and Centre Grey Hospital Foundation at the Markdale Hospital. For a list of other locations selling tickets, visit and follow @CatchTheAceGBHS on Facebook and Twitter. Don’t forget to watch the live stream and/or video recordings posted to our social media pages!

Ticket purchasers must be 18 or over to participate. For more information visit www.gbhsmri.ca or contact your local hospital foundation:

Bruce Peninsula Health Services Foundation (519) 534-5856
Centre Grey Hospital Foundation (519) 986-3040
Meaford Hospital Foundation (519) 538-1311 ext. 4208
Owen Sound Hospital Foundation (519) 372-3925
Saugeen Memorial Hospital Foundation (519) 797-3230 ext. 3230

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