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Lake St. Martin winner takes home \$600,000 as first Manitoban to win THE BIGGER SPIN

Windfall the biggest spin win in Western Canada to date

Theodore Sinclair had seen a few ads, but what really prompted him to buy a ticket for THE BIGGER SPIN was a few of his friends talking about the game. On only his second ticket, Sinclair walked away a winner, netting a \$600,000 windfall – the biggest win ever spun in WCLC's region – after he stepped up to THE BIGGER SPIN prize wheel earlier this week.

"I was expecting to get maybe \$20 or something – but to win all this...it's exciting," laughed Sinclair, who says he was a regular player of THE BIGGER SPIN'S sister game, THE BIG SPIN, before going bigger. "My friends are all pretty excited for me too."

THE BIGGER SPIN is a new offering from the Western Canada Lottery Corporation that's modelled after THE BIG SPIN Zing ticket with one major difference; it's...well, *bigger*. With prizes available of up to \$1 million, the \$10 THE BIGGER SPIN ticket lets players win cash prizes in the same way as with a regular scratch ticket, or they can also uncover a "Spin Win" and discover their prize through an animated prize wheel at their local Lotto Spot retailer. If their Spin Win reveals "The Bigger Spin," they have a shot to spin the big prize wheel to determine what they'll take home.

Sinclair bought his winning ticket at Happy Planet Hub on Highway 6 in Ashern in mid-October, and says he was shocked to discover he'd be taking home \$10,000 instantly and a date with the prize wheel.

"[The staff] definitely were excited – they were saying it was the most they'd ever seen someone win on one of these," recalled Sinclair.

Due to concerns around COVID-19 in Manitoba during the fall and early winter, it would be almost four months before Sinclair got his date the prize wheel. His chance to spin finally came in early February once a spin could be coordinated safely and in alignment with public health advice.

Now that he's \$600,000 richer, Sinclair says he might move on to a different game to "give other players a chance." He says he's not totally sure what he'll do with his windfall yet, but wants to use part of it to help out those close to him.

"Right now, I'm planning to help out my parents," he said.

"And maybe get a snowmobile," he quickly added with a chuckle.

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or online at PlayNow.com.*