

APPT SEASON 8 SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

ONCHAN, Isle of Man – December 17, 2013 – PokerStars today announced the schedule for Season 8 of the <u>Asia Pacific Poker Tour (APPT)</u>. The 2014 season will begin at PokerStars LIVE Macau with the 20th celebration of the Macau Poker Cup (MPC20) on January 10 and conclude in New Zealand with APPT Auckland on November 19.

For Season 8, every poker festival in the Asia-Pacific that is managed or partnered with PokerStars has been placed under the APPT umbrella. The schedule now includes ANZPT tournaments and PokerStars LIVE Macau special events such as the MPC, Macau Millions, and the Asia Championship of Poker.

"Having the entire Asia-Pacific poker calendar, news, and updates in one location is huge. The APPT website becomes much more user friendly and improving the player experience is something we look to enhance each season." said APPT President Danny McDonagh.

The complete APPT Season 8 Calendar be viewed at www.appt.com

Aussie Millions Poker Championship

The biggest news for Season 8 has been the agreement with Crown Melbourne to have the 2014 Aussie Millions Poker Championship added to the APPT schedule. The AUD \$10,600 Main Event takes place from February 2 and will conclude on February 9.

"The Aussie Millions is regarded as one of the marquee poker events globally and by aligning with the biggest poker tour in the region, the Asia Pacific Poker Tour will further guarantee the event's success in the coming years," said Xavier Walsh, Crown Melbourne Chief Operating Officer. "This initiative will provide Crown with significant exposure in Asia, Europe and America, and forms an integral part of Crown's global marketing strategy to attract further international visitors to Australia and Crown Melbourne".



"The Aussie Millions becoming part of the APPT is a great fit for both Crown Melbourne and Global Poker Tours Ltd." said McDonagh. "Linking one of the best tournaments in Asia Pacific with the region's biggest poker tour benefits everyone. Personally, I can't wait to again be actively involved in one of the very top big buy-in events in the world."

APPT Season 8 online satellites are running now to Aussie Millions, MPC20, and APPT Seoul

For the complete 2014 Aussie Millions Poker Championship schedule please visit: http://www.aussiemillions.com/

For the complete MPC20 schedule please visit: http://www.pokerstarsmacau.com/tournaments/macau-cup/2014/january/

For the complete APPT Seoul schedule please visit: http://www.appt.com/tournaments/millions/

APPT8 Main Event dates

MPC20 (Macau, China S.A.R): January 16-21, 2014

Aussie Millions Poker Championship (Melbourne, Australia): February 2-9, 2014

ACOP Platinum Series III (Macau, China S.A.R): February 22-23, 2014

ANZPT Perth (Perth, Australia): February 26 - March 2, 2014

Macau Millions (Macau, China S.A.R): March 7-16, 2014

ANZPT Sydney (Sydney, Australia): March 20-24, 2014

APPT Seoul (Seoul, South Korea): April 3-6, 2014

ACOP Platinum Series IV* (Macau, China S.A.R): April 19-2024-27, 2014

APPT Macau (Macau, China S.A.R): May 21-25, 2014

Macau Poker Cup (Macau, China S.A.R): August 8-13, 2014

ANZPT Melbourne (Melbourne, Australia): Aug 29 - Sep 1



Asia Championship of Poker (Macau, China S.A.R): November 3-8, 2014

APPT Auckland (Auckland, New Zealand): November 19-23, 2014

For full details on Asia Pacific Poker Tour Main Event and festival dates please visit www.appt.com

All PokerStars LIVE Macau events are subject to regulatory approval

For further information, please contact: info@appt.com

About the Asia Pacific Poker Tour

The Asia Pacific Poker Tour (APPT) is the region's richest and most popular poker tour and it is operated by Global Poker Tours Limited. Every year Global Poker Tours Limited sends thousands of poker players to compete in events across Europe, the Americas and the Caribbean. The APPT has created a whole new dimension of poker in Asia Pacific, marking its emergence as a truly global sport.

The tour provides poker enthusiasts with the chance to test their skills against some of the world's best players in the most glamorous of Asia Pacific destinations.

Further information on the EPT is available online at http://www.europeanpokertour.com/

