



FEDOR 'CROWNUPGUY' HOLZ BECOMES WORLD CHAMPION OF ONLINE POKER AND WINS \$1.3 MILLION FIRST PRIZE

ONCHAN, Isle of Man – September 30, 2014 – Fedor 'CrownUpGuy' Holz, from Vienna in Austria, was named [2014 World Champion of Online Poker](#) in the early hours of Tuesday morning, winning \$1.3 million. The 21-year-old topped a field of 2,142 players in the \$5,200 Main Event to win the largest share of the \$10,710,000 prize pool.

At a final table that was broadcast live on PokerStars.tv for the first time, Holz fended off the challenge of Full Tilt Professional Viktor 'Isildur1' Blom, who came ninth for \$107,100, and seventh-placed Dylan 'Pokerl)evIL' Hortin – who finished in exactly the same position in last year's Main Event – before a six-way deal was struck.

Holz, who won a €2k side event at EPT Barcelona just last month for €43,750 (see attached pictures), was chip leader when a deal was done, getting a guaranteed \$1,100,000, but scooped an additional \$200k that was set aside for the winner when he beat 'theNERDguy' from Brazil heads-up. In the final hand all the chips went in on the turn in a huge cooler, Holz showing down quad Tens to 'theNERDguy's full house.

Speaking to the PokerStars Blog shortly after his win, Holz said: "I always wanted to run deep in such a tournament and it feels amazing to win the biggest tournament of the year. It's my biggest achievement so far and I can't put in words how happy I am."

Visit the PokerStars Blog for a full interview with Holz – <http://psta.rs/1ByeXcz> – and a report from the tournament – <http://psta.rs/1qQHcwV>. Watch the full replay of the final table on PokerStars.tv: <http://psta.rs/1rpG5u4>.

KEY STATISTICS

\$5,200 WCOOP Main Event

Entrants: 2,142

Prize pool: \$10,710,000

Final table result

1. Fedor 'CrownUpGuy' Holz (Vienna, Austria)	\$1,300,000*
2. Yuri 'theNERDguy' Martins (Curitiba, Brazil)	\$708,251.21*
3. Claas 'neckbr4ke' Stoob (Potsdam, Germany)	\$651,430.61*
4. Elijah 'Crazy Elijah' Sion (London, England)	\$780,227.66*
5. Faraz 'The-Toilet 0' Jaka (Gdansk, Poland)	\$945,000*
6. Daniel '19Dan86' Rudd (London, England)	\$769,813.52*
7. Dylan 'Poker)eviL' Hortin (Vancouver, Canada)	\$214,200
8. Todd 'MaltLiquor40' Sisley (Toronto, Canada)	\$160,650
9. Viktor 'Isildur1' Blom (London, UK)	\$107,100

* reflects six-way deal

2014 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PRIZE POOL

The \$10.71 million prize pool made it the richest World Championship of Online Poker Main Event since 'Black Friday' on April 15, 2011, and the 66-event Championship's total of \$61,934,886 in prizes makes it the third richest WCOOP, a little over \$1 million less than the 2010 World Championship, which still holds the record.

BIG WINNERS

As a whole, the 2014 World Championship had several notable performances. There were three double-bracelet winners – 'Aggro Santos', 'Assad91' and 'WhatIfGod' – while 'mikal12345' became one of just a trio of players to have won three career WCOOP titles, with a victory in event 19 for over \$100k.

High-profile players who won an event this year include David 'WhoooooKidd' Baker, Adam 'Roothless' Levy, Sami 'Lrslzk' Kelopuro, Joep 'Pappe_Ruk' van den Bijgaart, Paul 'paulgees81' Volpe, and Jani 'kiiski' Vilmunen, who took down the incredibly tough \$10,300 8-Game event for more than \$231k. He beat Noah 'Exclusive' Boeken (2nd), Andrey 'Kroko-dill' Zaichenko (3rd), and Matthew 'MUSTAFABET' Ashton (4th) at the final table.

For more statistics and information from the 2014 World Championship, and all-time figures and records, go to <http://psta.rs/1mK4Zn1>.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

This year's WCOOP Leaderboard winner was 'Mr Negreanu' from the UK. He cashed 17 times and made two final tables, including a runner-up finish in event 15. For his efforts

he won a Champions Trophy, 2015 PCA package, 2015 EPT Grand Final package and 2015 TCOOP Main Event ticket. Runner-up was 'psyhoagromor' from Ukraine, who was just 10 points behind first place and received a 2015 PCA package and a 2015 TCOOP Main Event ticket. Third to fifth places won a 2015 TCOOP Main Event ticket.

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