

POKERSTARS AWARDS MORE THAN \$75 MILLION AS SCOOP 2013 BECOMES RICHEST ONLINE POKER FESTIVAL EVER

ONCHAN, ISLE OF MAN – 28 May, 2013 – The PokerStars [Spring Championship of Online Poker 2013](#) has become the richest online poker series ever, after awarding a total of \$75,585,435.05 in prize money to players. It surpassed the previous record of \$65,332,179, set during SCOOP 2012, by more than \$10 million. This year's SCOOP is also the largest poker festival – online or offline – ever held, with a total of 132 low, medium and high stakes tournaments.

The festival came to a close in spectacular fashion on Sunday and Monday, as the two-day \$10,300 No Limit Hold'em Main Event (H) was won by Full Tilt Poker 'Professional' Viktor 'Isildur1' Blom. He picked up \$1,096,000 after topping a field of 580, which included Noah 'Exclusive' Boeken, who Blom beat heads-up. The win marks 'Isildur1's third SCOOP title after he won two in SCOOP 2012. Read the full report of the final table on the [PokerStars Blog](#).

Shortly after his victory Blom tweeted: "I win the scoop main! Feeling just like a million bucks...cash game seat open?"

Meanwhile, the \$1,050 NL Hold'em Main Event (M) was won by 'nicofellow' from Brazil who earned \$472,209.35 as part of a four-way deal. Team PokerStars Online member Randy 'nanonoko' Lew was part of that deal, coming fourth to receive \$368,445.01.

Finally, the \$109 NL Hold'em Main Event (L) saw 23,045 players take part to create a prize pool of \$2,304,500. 'MLiz' from Israel was the winner and pocketed \$189,015.34 after a five-way deal was reached.

For full tournament reports and final table results from all the SCOOP events, go to <http://www.pokerstarsblog.com/tournaments/scoop/2013-4/>

Weekend wrap

Some of SCOOP 2013's higher-profile tournaments took place over the final weekend, with some household names in the winners' enclosure. Team PokerStars Pro [Daniel Negreanu won his first ever major online tournament](#), by coming first in the \$5,200 PLO 6-Max for \$216,000; reigning EPT London champion Ruben 'rtvisser' Visser triumphed in the \$1,050 NL Hold'em Wrap-Up [Turbo, 3x Chance] for nearly \$170,000; and Ashton 'theASHMAN103' Griffin took his first SCOOP title in the \$215 NL Hold'em Heads-Up High Roller for \$41k.

A special mention, though, must be given to Team PokerStars Pro George Danzer, [who won his second SCOOP title of this year](#) in the \$2,100 NL Hold'em [4-Max] on Sunday. He finished the series with four final tables and 24 cashes from 130 tournaments played.

Player of the Series

It's no surprise, then, that with those two wins and consistent results throughout the series, Danzer topped the Overall and High Leaderboards to be named Player of the Series in two categories. He wins two SCOOP trophies, an EPT10 Grand Final package and PCA 2014 package. Stephen 'stevie444'

Chidwick, from the UK, won the Medium Leaderboard, and Team PokerStars Pro Marcin 'Goral' Horecki won the Low. They both receive SCOOP trophies and PCA 2014 packages.

For all the Leaderboard information, SCOOP statistics, results from each event, and history of the record-breaking festival, go to <http://www.pokerstars.com/scoop/>.

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