

## **POKERSTARS CHALKS UP ANOTHER BIG MILESTONE WITH THE BILLIONTH TOURNAMENT CARNIVAL**

ONCHAN, Isle of Man – November 13, 2014 – PokerStars today announced the Billionth Tournament Carnival – a series of promotions to celebrate Tournament Number One Billion on the world’s largest poker site – that will take place from November 17-30.

The online Carnival features promotions for both multi and single-table tournaments, including the return of Golden Sit & Go’s, and over \$3 Million in increased guarantees for regular tournament favourites such as ‘Daily Bigs’ and ‘Hot Turbos’. The two-week celebration culminates with Tournament One Billion, a \$109 buy-in event, carrying a hefty \$2 million guaranteed prize pool and \$200k in added prizes.

Team PokerStars Pro and the first-ever Supernova Elite, Bertrand ‘ElkY’ Grospellier, said: “One billion tournaments is just so sick! I’ve played thousands of PokerStars tournaments over the years, and I learned so much from them, it definitely was a huge part of my success. After all these years I’m glad to see there are still huge prize pools and massive turnouts every day of the week on PokerStars. It really is the best place to play poker!”

To date, Grospellier has played in 6,559 scheduled PokerStars tournaments and thousands more Sit & Go’s.

### **TOURNAMENT ONE BILLION**

The Billionth Tournament Carnival will conclude on November 30 with Tournament Number One Billion. With a guaranteed prize pool of \$2 million for the \$109 buy-in, this is a ‘must play’ for all tournament poker players.

In addition to the huge guarantee, for the first 2.5 hours of the tournament, over \$200k in cash and prizes will be awarded to randomly selected tables. For a full list of prizes, go to <http://psta.rs/1oBEmSa>.

### **GOLDEN SIT & GO’S**

At least \$500,000 will be given away from November 17 in the Golden Sit & Go promotion. Sit & Go’s will be selected at random, and players can win up to 20x their buy-in. Go to <http://psta.rs/1pHPLAO> for full details.

## **THE DAILY BIGS**

From November 24-30, guarantees will be increased by over \$2 million, and more than \$100k awarded in added prizes. See <http://psta.rs/1u0M7lr> for complete details.

## **THE HOT TURBOS**

From November 24-30, guarantees will be increased by more than \$1 million, and over \$100k awarded in added prizes. See <http://psta.rs/1ypg0L7> for full details.

## **RELOAD BONUS**

A 25% reload bonus up to \$150 is on offer for all PokerStars players to claim until 23:59 ET on November 17. To receive the bonus, players must use the bonus code 'SPIN150' when depositing \$20 or more. See <http://psta.rs/1Eq6ERw> for full details.

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## **About PokerStars**

PokerStars operates the world's most popular online poker sites, serving a global poker community of more than **65 million** registered members. Since it launched in 2001, PokerStars has become the first choice of players all over the world, with more daily tournaments than anywhere else and with the best security online. More than **115 billion** hands have been dealt on PokerStars, which is more than any other site.

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