

## POLISH POKERSTARS PLAYER IS A MOBILE MILLIONAIRE

'bladsonpoker' from Poland becomes a near-instant millionaire in \$5 tournament

ONCHAN, Isle of Man – April 29, 2015 – PokerStars has put the 's' into 'millionaires' with Polish player 'bladsonpoker' winning \$1,000,000 after just 7 minutes and 18 seconds of poker play on his mobile device at PokerStars, an Amaya Inc. (TSX: AYA) company. The player became a mobile millionaire as part of the 'PokerStars Makes Millionaires' promotion – the second player in a week to win \$1 Million in a Spin & Go.

The \$5 Spin & Go tournament started at 19.39 CET on April 28, with 'bladsonpoker' winning the \$1 million top prize after just 29 hands of poker – effectively an average of just over \$34,482 per hand. Here is a video of the tournament that was recorded by Friend of PokerStars, Jaime Staples, on his Twitch channel: <a href="http://psta.rs/1ECksvX">http://psta.rs/1ECksvX</a>.

The runner-up was 'hooomlesnurr' who won \$100,000. The third-place player, 'ROliver ceo', also won \$100,000.

Remarkably, while playing the \$1 Million Spin & Go, the Polish mobile millionaire was also registered in other tournaments, including a \$4.40 No Limit Hold'em tournament with 4,767 other players. Despite winning \$1 million, 'bladsonpoker' continued playing the \$4.40 tournament on his mobile device, eventually being eliminated almost 90 minutes later.

'PokerStars Makes Millionaires' is a two-month promotion that began on March 27 and is set to run for another month. Other elements of the ongoing promotion include:

- \$1 Million Spin & Go (running now): Players can turn \$5 into \$1,000,000 in just minutes with special \$1 million Spin & Go's. See <a href="http://psta.rs/1FQWw89">http://psta.rs/1FQWw89</a> for more info.
- Millionaire Month (Round 1: Completed; Round 2: April 19-30): PokerStars is giving away more than \$4 million in cash prizes during Millionaire Month, which gives players the chance to win \$1 million via two Millionaire Finals. Players need to complete simple challenges during the qualification periods for entry into \$150,000 All-in Shootouts. The winner of each of the six All-in Shootouts in Round 1 (April 18) and in Round 2 (May 1) advances to the six-player Millionaire Finals tourneys on May 10 at 13:00 ET, where two new cash millionaires will be crowned, one in each of the finals. Visit <a href="http://psta.rs/10qq4o1">http://psta.rs/10qq4o1</a> for more info.
- SCOOP All-in Shootout Deposit Raffle (May 2-22): Players can win their way

to the Spring Championship of Online Poker (SCOOP) Main Event (High) for free and play for a first prize of at least \$1 million. Players simply need to make a deposit to receive a raffle ticket. In the All-in Shootout we've got 16 free SCOOP High Main Event entries – each worth \$10,300 – up for grabs, plus over 2,000 free entries to the SCOOP Low and Medium Main Events. See http://psta.rs/1EC9m6b for more details.

 SCOOP High Main Event (May 24): \$1 Million is guaranteed to the SCOOP High Main Event winner. See <a href="http://psta.rs/1EC9ra5">http://psta.rs/1EC9ra5</a> for more details.

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