

TEAM PRO ONLINE WEEK RETURNS WITH EPT PACKAGES AND BIG CASH PRIZES TO BE WON

ONCHAN, Isle of Man – February 26, 2016 – Three European Poker Tour (EPT) packages and tens of thousands of dollars in cash are up for grabs in the latest <u>Team</u> <u>Pro Online Week</u>, which takes place from Monday, February 29 to Sunday, March 6 at <u>PokerStars</u>, an Amaya Inc. (Nasdaq: AYA; TSX: AYA) brand.

The week-long promotion will give PokerStars players the chance to take on Team Pro Online members and win big prizes in a special Heads-Up Challenge, \$20,000 Bounty Freeroll, and special micro-stakes Zoom pools, among other activities. Click here for full details: <u>http://psta.rs/20V9rxq</u>.

Team PokerStars Pro Online member Andre 'acoimbra' Coimbra said: "Team Pro Online Week is a great opportunity for all players to compete gainst a host of PokerStars pros and win some big cash prizes. The Heads-Up Challenge in particular promises to be a really fun competition and I can't wait to try to get my hands on the title."

'BEAT THEM' OR 'BACK THEM' HEADS-UP CHALLENGE

The focal point of the week is a 'Beat Them' or 'Back Them' Heads-Up Challenge, which will take place on March 5-6 from 14.00 ET. The 'Beat Them' promotion will see 32 players, comprising Team Pro Online members and online qualifiers, battling it out to become the Heads-Up Challenge champion. The highest-placed online qualifier in the Heads-Up Challenge tournament will win \$5,000; if one goes on to win it they will receive a \$10,000 PokerStars and Monte-Carlo®Casino European Poker Tour (EPT) Grand Final package (the Team Pros can't win anything more than bragging rights). The qualifying tournament will run on Tuesday, March 1 at 14.00 ET, with a buy-in of \$11.

For those who don't manage to qualify, there is still the chance to back the winners ('Back Them') by predicting the winner of the Heads-Up Challenge and winning one of two \$10,000 EPT Grand Final packages. Every player who takes part in the \$11 Heads-Up Challenge qualifier on March 1 will receive a 'backing ticket', which they can use to register for one of 32 freeroll tournaments – one for each of the participants in the Heads-Up Challenge. The freeroll named after the eventual Heads-Up Challenge winner will take place on Monday, March 7 at 14.00 ET with a \$5,000 prize pool and EPT Grand Final packages for the top two players; the other freerolls will be cancelled.

In the run-up to the tournament, Team Pro Online members will announce on Twitter

how players can get their hands on more than one backing ticket and increase the chances of being a part of the winning freeroll. Players should follow <u>https://twitter.com/psteamonline</u> and Team Pro Online members for the key information.

The Heads-Up Challenge finals will be streamed live on the PokerStars Twitch channel – <u>http://www.twitch.tv/pokerstars</u> – on March 6 from 14.00 ET (19.00 GMT / 20.00 CET).

\$20,000 BOUNTY FREEROLL

In addition to the Heads-Up Challenge, there will be a \$20,000 guaranteed Bounty Freeroll on March 6 at 15.00 ET. A host of Team Online Pros will take part and there is a \$50 bounty on each of their heads. To claim a ticket to the freeroll, players must deposit \$10 or more using bonus code 'ONLINE2016' by 15.00 ET on March 6.

SPECIAL ZOOM POOLS

Throughout the week, members of Team Pro Online will also take part in dedicated micro-stakes Zoom pools, and will announce on their Twitter channels when they will be playing one hour before they start. Any player who finishes in profit against a Team Pro Online member within the hour of play will have their winnings multiplied by seven (players can find more information in the <u>'Terms and Conditions' section</u> of the promotion). To find which pros are online, players can simply log into the PokerStars software and select 'Tools' > 'Find' > 'A Team PokerStars Pro'.

AVATARS

Players can show their support for a pro by using that pro's avatar at the tables for the duration of the week. To change the avatar, players can simply open the PokerStars desktop client, click on 'Account' > 'Select Image', then choose from the Team Pro Online avatars listed under the 'PokerStars' category.

JOIN TEAM PRO ONLINE

PokerStars is also currently accepting applications to join Team Pro Online from Supernova VIP level players. Supernova players will have received an email for details of how to apply.

For further information, please contact: press@pokerstars.com

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