



**2005 Caribbean Poker Classic | St. Kitts Marriott and The Royal Beach Casino
Daily Results – November 28th, 2005**

CHIP POSITIONS AT START OF FINAL TABLE PLAY IN THE \$500+\$50 NL HOLD'EM EVENT



**No Limit Hold'em \$500+\$50
Monday, November 28th 8pm
Players: 128**

By 4:00am we reached the final 9 players of the \$550 no-limit hold'em freeze-out with 128 runners, and a \$23,600 first prize. With players dropping like flies, we needed just 15 minutes to have the remaining field reduced to five - Julian Thew, Paul King (in the small blind, Paul came over the top of a button raise by Julian, raising all-in to about 50K or so. Both players showed AQ offsuit for a chop), Kathy Liebert, Gary Mills and Paul Alterman.

With the blinds now moving up to 3K-6K and a 500 ante, Kathy has been lucky to stay alive, going all-in with the A♣ 6♣ on a Q65 flop, she was trailing to Paul Alterman's 77, but caught an ace on the river. And down to three-handed, I expected play to settle down somewhat, but that did not happen. Paul Alterman had a KT, and up against Julian's KQ, all the money went in before the flop, about 65K total. Both players received no help, meaning that in the end Julian's kicker played.

Down to two! In a crucial pot, Kathy Liebert reraised under-the-gun raiser Gary Mills all-in to 51,000. He called with an AJ, but was dominated by her AK. When a king flopped, she had doubled up, and Gary was severely crippled. He went out not much later when from the big blind, he called all-in with a JT against under-the-gun raiser Paul Alterman. Again, Gary held a hand that was dominated. Up against an AJ, the best hand held up, and Mills was out.

Trailing 2-to-1 at the beginning of the heads up stage, Liebrt won a huge pot when Julian limped from the small blind / button, Kathy raised, and Julian reraised all-in. He was holding a mere J4 for a stone cold (re)steal, but Liebert had the goods with the A♥ T♥ . She quickly called and won the pot by making aces up.

With blinds 4K-8K and a 500 ante, Julian then check-raised his aggressive opponent's 20K bet all-in to 82K, holding third pair on the flop Q83. But again, Liebert had enough of a hand to call him. She had second pair - and when blanks fell on the turn and river, that proved to be enough for the title.

Pot Limit Omaha \$200+\$20

Sunday, November 28th 8pm

Players: 72 (140 rebuys, 57 add-ons)

The focus shifted to the Pot-Limit Omaha tournament. By 2:15am, 19 players are left out of the initial 72. Not a large field by any means, even more so considering the relatively low buy-in (\$220). But because we have no less than 140 rebuys and 57 add-ons, the winner can still expect a \$19,830 paycheck. And as is common in pot-limit Omaha events, the field may be small - it is also very strong. Some of the players that are still left: Noah Boeken, Dave Colclough, Mel Judah, Robin Keston, Andrew Goetsch, Gabi Nousiainen, Steve Vladar, Simon Trumper and Marcel Luske.

The Omaha event turned into a "Double Dutch" - Marcel Luske and his protegee Noah Boeken sharing first prize. One of the best Omaha tournament players in the world Simon Trumper, who was also runner up at the PLO event at the most recent Master Classics, finished sixth, while Teresa Nousiainen took seventh. By the way: The event indeed finished extremely late, at 7:30 am.

This was the first ever Omaha title for Dutch rising star Noah "Exclusive" Boeken. Marcel had been relatively shortstacked from the beginning, and was helped by the fact that he won a decent-sized pot against the chipleader throughout the event - Simon Trumper. Instead of reraising all-in with the QJJ9 against Marcel's possible steal raise (the Dutchman was trying to take advantage of the fact that Robin Keston to his left was playing rather tight), he flatcalled, and then folded on a flop 883 with two of a suit that Simon did not have. Marcel showed AKQ3 for a hand with lots of outs against the strong Simon, but one he possibly (though not certainly, as the money was not that deep) would have folded had Trumper come over the top before the flop.

Noah won one of the biggest pots of the night against Jani Vilmunen to take over the chip lead. And from there, he was able to cruise his way to the title.

1. Place	\$19,830	Noah Boeken	Netherlands
2. Place	\$9,910	Marcel Lüske	Netherlands
3. Place	\$6,260	Walter Farina	Guadaloupe
4. Place	\$4,700	Robin Keston	England
5. Place	\$3,390	Jani Vilmunen	Finland
6. Place	\$2,610	Simon Trumper	England
7. Place	\$2,090	Teresa Nousiainen	Finland
8. Place	\$1,830	Eoghan O'Dea	Ireland
9. Place	\$1,570	Mel Judah	Australia

POKER ROOM PRIDE SHOOTOUT TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH

Final Table

Gunnar Johnson	ukbetting
Lars Jensen	SunPoker
Alexander Book	SunPoker
Michael Eriksson	Betfair
Lawrence Frye	Poker Plex
Joe Hill	The Ritz Club London Online

Team Positions – Day 1

UK Betting	34
SunPoker	34
Betfair	26
The Ritz Club London	26
Littlewoods	20
Poker Plex	14
InterPoker	12
William Hill	10
Royal Beach Casino	10