



**2005 Caribbean Poker Classic | St. Kitts Marriott and The Royal Beach Casino
Daily Results – November 29th, 2005**

CHIP POSITIONS AT START OF FINAL TABLE PLAY IN THE \$1000+\$100 NL HOLD'EM EVENT



**No Limit Hold'em \$1000+\$100
Tuesday, November 29th 2pm
Players: 97**

With blinds 1,500-3,000 and a 300 ante, nine remaining players are remaining by 7:00 am.

Down to seven, we lost the shortstacked Willy, who came over the top of Marcel with a JT. Marcel had an AJ to bust out his Polish friend, someone he has played with very often. This was an important hand for Marcel, who had just doubled up the strong Jaime Vasquez Ponte. With the blinds 3,000-6,000 and a 500 ante, Marcel raised all-in to 45K holding pocket tens, and got called by small blind Steve Vladar. "Smokin' Steve" had AQ and flopped a queen to bust out the Flying Dutchman.

Just before, we had also lost Espen Overland. He bet all-in on the flop with an unimproved 77, and was called by Thierry van den Berg with an (also unimproved) QQ. And because Thierry has also won a big pot with AJ vs. A5 and an ace on the board (again, most of the money going in on the flop), he and Smokin' Steve are now the two clear chipleaders.

At 8:30 am, it is over! First, we lost Haakon Waerstad, who check-called a very big bet, 76K all-in in a 50K pot, on the flop with just a Q8 on a K♠ T♥ 8♥ flop. Smokin' Steve had K9 for top pair - and that held up. Vladar then also finished off the shortstacked Jaime. Jaime was all-in for 50K with the best hand, A2, but Steve's KT and the KKJJ5 flop matched perfectly. Final results:

1. Steve Vladar \$35,780
2. Thierry van den Berg \$17,980
3. Jaime Vasquez Ponte \$11,290
4. Haakon Waerstad \$8,470

All in all, another good result for the young Dutchman, Thierry van der Berg, and a great day for the Vladar family - both Steve & Xuyen booking an excellent result.

**Pro-Am Tournament – Day 1, Flight: A
 Tuesday, November 29th 11pm
 Players: 6**

The night kicks off the first flight of the Pro-Am, a \$100,000 winner-take-all. Everyone gets 10,000 in chips, and the blinds start at 100-200. In an absolutely packed venue, this invitational tournament includes the pros and amateurs from the various poker rooms of the tournament series. These people will play in three flights of six players, and the final two players of each of these flights will advance to the final on Dec 2nd.. Tonight's line-up featured Antonio Esfandiari, Xuyen Pham, Juha Helppi, Pete Giordano, Imre Leibold and Bengt Sonnert. On Nov 30th, Flight B will feature Phil Laak, Steve Vadar, Kathy Liebert, Simon Trumper, Tony Cascarino and Willie Tann/ On Dec 1st Flight C features Jennifer Tilly, Julian Thew, Rob Varkonyi, Brian Wilson, John Earle and Kenna James.

Down to five in the invitational, "Magician" Antonio Esfandiari got shortstacked when he paid off a 2,300 value bet on the river from Xuyen Pham, who won with A6 for aces up. Down to 4,100, he came over the top of Bengt Sonnert's raise, who called him. Tens for Sonnert, and aces for the Magician. A 754 rainbow flop, and Antonio said: "Give the man 6-8, give the man 6-8." Just as bad for him, a ten popped up on the turn, giving Bengt a set of tens to beat the Magician's bullets. Our first victim is Antonio Esfandiari, who first shook everybody's hand, and then left saying: "Enjoy my money, guys."

Down to three Juha raised with a K J , called Bad Girl's reraise, lost against her queens - and was out. And then we lost Imre Leibold, the "Am" in this flight. In a raised pot, he was holding a KQ, flopped top pair on a K97 flop, and then bet all-in. But on the button, Bad Girl had flopped top two with a K9, and she called him quickly. No surprises on the turn and river, meaning the "Am" was out.

After his confrontation with TT vs. AA, Bengt Sonnert had another "Swedish coin flip" holding the Q♦ 8♦ against Pete Giordano's 88. This time the Swede lost it, as for the second time Pete "The Beat" managed to flop a set. Bengt then made an all-in move from the button, raising 7K more with his 9♠ 7♠ . Big blind Xuyen called him with an A8, and needed no improvement to win. The first flight of the Pro-Am has Xuyen bringing 39,500 chips into the final and Pete 20,500.



POKER ROOM PRIDE SHOOTOUT FINAL, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH

Finals

Michael Eriksson, Betfair	\$500
Gunnar Johnson, ukbetting	\$300
Joe Hill, The Ritz Club London Online	\$200

Team Positions – Final

1 st	UK Betting	\$8000
2 nd	Betfair	\$4000
3 rd	SunPoker	\$2000

DESIGNER WATCH FREEROLL: NO LIMIT HOLD'EM, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH

Johan Zettstrom from SunPoker won a designer watch and \$900