

AUSSIE MILLIONS

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DAY 3 - CROWN'S AUSSIE MILLIONS 'MAIN EVENT'

TODAY - Thursday 28 January 2010 at 12:30pm

Melbourne, Australia. Thursday 28 January 2010. The Crown Poker Room was on high alert yesterday for another day of furious action with 'Day-2' of the coveted Aussie Millions 'MAIN EVENT'. The field started with 294 runners spread throughout the film set in Studio 3 and the Crown Poker Room, ending with a little more than a third of those players still in the running for a first prize of AUD\$2 million with **'Day-3' starting TODAY at 12.30pm.**

Crown said adieu to several favourites. **Joe Hachem**, 2009 runner-up **Peter Rho**, Full Tilt Poker pros **Erick Lindgren**, **John Juanda** and cash game superstar **Tom 'durrrr' Dwan**, **Lee Nelson**, **James Akenhead** and **Karl Mahrenholz** were all among the early departures. They were soon joined by WSOP last woman standing **Leo Margets**, **Dan Harrington** and **Mark Vos**.

In their place stands **JP Kelly**, **Sorel Mizzi**, **Annette Obrestad**, **Barry Greenstein**, 2007 Aussie Millions Champion **Gus Hansen** and Hendon Mob favourite **Barny Boatman**, among others. The Crown team were inspired by the play of **David Frieling**, who started the day with fewer than 98,000 chips and ended the day on top of the counts at 537,000.

Never count out the old-school professionals. A few dangerous tigers still in the mix, prowling the tables in search of chips include Team Full Tilt pro **Howard Lederer**, Australian Poker Hall of Fame inductee **Marsha Waggoner** and \$100,000 Challenge Champion **Dan Shak** who is sitting in sixth place with 409,000 chips.

Not to forget Event 14 the 'Teams Event' and a big congratulations to Mel Judah and Mick Guttman, as the winning pair.

The total number of players in Crown's Aussie Millions 'Main Event' was 746, totalling a prize-pool of AUD\$7.46 million and first prize of AUD\$2 million. Runner up will walk away with a cool AUD\$1.1 million for their efforts and the remaining 72 places will be paid, with 57th-72nd earning a minimum cash of AUD\$15,000.

Event:	2010 Aussie Millions Poker Championship
Date:	Thursday 28 January 2010
Timings:	12:30PM: AUSSIE MILLIONS MAIN EVENT - DAY 3 1245pm: Pot Limit Omaha (Total Cost \$10,500) 4:15pm: No Limit Holdem (Total Cost \$1,100)
Locations:	Crown Poker Room (Level B2, Crown Entertainment Complex) Studio 3 (Level 3 West End, Crown Entertainment Complex)
'Studio 3' Audience:	Witness the world's poker elite tangle with online qualifiers, cashed-up locals and the odd celebrity LIVE at 'Studio 3' as filming takes place from 12:30pm today.
Live Reporting:	For live, minute by minute results and updates visit www.pokernews.com

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