

Ryan Dreyer wins 2008 Sun City Millions

South African poker player Ryan Dreyer has absolutely crushed the 2008 Sun City Millions poker tournament. He overcame a strong field of 272 players to take the title and the huge pay check of \$350,000 after striking a deal. He won his place through online satellites and thus side stepped event the \$3000 entry!

As a commentator on the All Africa Poker Channel, no one doubts his abilities as a player, but he demonstrated an enormous amount of skill at this event as he left the other players for dust. As a local South African poker player he was even more delighted to win the prestigious event.

Dreyer was previously a professional golfer but took up poker professionally once he realized his skill in the game. He said of this event: "The field was very strong by South African standards," he said. "There were a host of international players including numerous Scandinavians and also some world renowned players like Patrik Antonius, Ray Rahme, Shannon Elizabeth and Shane Warne as well as all the top South African poker players."

Although he has seen considerable success during his short poker career including last year taking 6th place for \$33,000 at this same event, this is the first time that he was able to go all the way at the Sun City Millions which is one of the most important South African Poker tournaments. He needs a few more big cashes to overtake legendary Ray Rahme in terms of cash prizes, however if he keeps up the pace as he is currently, it shouldn't be too long before he becomes the most successful South African poker player.

Excluding the final deal, here are the results from this tournament:

1. Ryan Dreyer \$650,000
2. Dermott Sweeney \$300,000
3. Durand Botha \$175,000
4. Jon Stephenson \$100,000
5. Shabir Omar \$75,000
6. Ivo Strovski \$50,000
7. Stan Topal \$25,000
8. Christian Oman \$20,000
9. Damien Cornelli \$15,000

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