

Canadian Glen Chorny wins over CAD 3 million at poker tournament

Monte Carlo – Canadian Glen Chorny scored a huge payday with his first European Poker Tour victory since becoming a full-time poker professional four months ago.

The 22-year-old native of Timmins, Ont., earned 2.02 million euros (CAD 3.21 million) for winning the EPT's Grand Final on Thursday. Chorny defeated Denes Kalo of Hungary in the final at the Monte Carlo Bay Hotel & Resort. Kalo took home 1.18 million euros (CAD 1.87 million) for finishing second.

Chorny, who studies business and history at Wilfrid Laurier University, was dealt ace-five on the winning hand and had his ace paired on the flop. Kalo had a king and a queen.

Chorny said he was thrilled with the victory, which came three months after a 13th-place finish in his only other EPT appearance, the PokerStars Caribbean Adventure.

„It was tough out there, like a hard day at the office,“ Chorny said. „Only the rewards are a lot better.“

Maxime Villemure, a 19-year-old from Montreal, finished third for a payday of 715,000 euros (CAD 1.13 million).