

► DYNAMIC GERMAN OPEN 2006

HARALD STOLKA LANDS OUTSIDER-VICTORY

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Winner Harald Stolka

> At the third Tourstop of the running Eurotour season, the Dynamic German Open in Sindelfingen, the Euro Tour produced its next large surprise. German Harald Stolka, having entered the event as the No. 86 of the Eurotour overall rankings, upset the gathered elite and got the title which was endowed with €5.000,00. Hereby the native Munich proved his nerve strength even more than once. After an early preliminary round defeat against the Turk Harun Arslan he succeeded again to revenge Arslan at the crucial qualification match and thus to reach the

final round. There he kept the upper hand in a whole set of nerve-racking matches. After a 10-9 success in his first match of the Last 32 against the Pole Tomasz Kaplan he let follow a 10-8 success against fellow-countryman Florian Hammer, before he assured his jump under the Top 4 by winning with 10-8 against the runner-up of the Dynamic Czech Open, Darren Appleton, in the quarter finals. Here Stolka caught on in his first Eurotour semi final after approximately five years with 10-9 against the Dutchman Niels Feijen. Here-with he had reached his very first Euro Tour title match at all. Ironically the following 10-7 in the duel with fellow-countryman Oliver Ortmann was his clearest result of the entire final round. Hungarian Vilmos Foldes completed the podium at this Tourstop after his thinkably scarce 9-10 defeat in the round of the last 4 against Ortmann. In the Eurotour overall rankings Thomas Engert (GER) has defended his lead, while both finalists made the biggest jump forward. Thus Stolka gained 50 places up to position 36, Ortmann got up 12 places from 19 to 7.

◀ ABOUT IBPF

International Billiard Promotion Foundation (IBPF), that is the new organizer's name of the poolbilliard Eurotour, the only existing successful European professional tournament series in pool for now over 12 years. The IBPF is the exclusive partner of the European Pocket Billiard Federation (EPBF). With its whole power and engagement, the IBPF, decisively supported by Eurotour title-sponsor Dynamic Billard, wants to further develop the Eurotour with a completely revised system.

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▶ IBPF CHANGES BREAK-REGULATIONS

Since the so called „Soft Break“, at which the white one is shot with only minimum energy against the rack was practiced by more and more players, however the Break-Shot generally belongs to the most spectacular thing that the discipline 9-Ball has to offer for spectators, the rules for the opening shot were now adapted. In the future at least three balls must cross the headline at a break, which is rather unlikely with executing a „Soft break“.

This rule adjustment naturally caused plenty of discussion material especially among the players, but finally the organizer IBPF showed to be very content with the result and wants to thank the players for their understanding and assistance. Also in Sindelfingen the rule was introduced that each player has now three breaks in consequence. This relieves the old regulations, after which the matches were played in an alternate break mode.

▶ IBPF PRESENTS NEW SPONSORS

The Australian Internet company „Improve your pool.com“ will become title sponsor of the remaining four tourstops in 2006 to take place this year in Rankweil/ Austria, Weert/Netherlands, Frauenfeld/Switzerland and Benalmadena/Spain. Within the scope of the Dynamic German Open in Sindelfingen this was announced by the Tour organizer IBPF. Beyond that the IBPF showed confident that within the coming

weeks a contract with betting company BetandWin will be signed. That would mean that starting from the upcoming Tour stop, the „Improve Your Pool.com Austria Open“ from 09.-11.06.2006, the tournament happenings would be presented by Internet Live Stream. Beyond this the IBPF starts the attempt in Rankweil to merge parallel to this the Live Scoring of all current matches into the Internet presentation.

▶ ALMOST 300 PROVIDE FOR AN AWESOME SCENERY

The crucial matches here in Sindelfingen received a more than suitable setting. No costs and troubles were spared, in order to offer the spectators a perfect atmosphere. And these troubles

were worthwhile, because almost 300 spectators found their way to Sindelfingen and hereby contributed to make this tournament a long lasting experience for everyone involved.

◀ DIAMOND 9 SERIES INFO

A lot of important revises have helped to further increase the standard of the EPBF Eurotour. What has been already successful in the past, was now further developed for the sake of pool billiards sports in general as the „Diamond 9 Series“. Long-termed contracts with organizers on-spot are the key-point. They help all involved parties like players, visitors, sponsors and media, to plan for their respective purposes. Additionally, the total prize-money was increased to now €36.000.

2006-01-18 - 2006-01-21
Dynamic Czech Open
Praha/ Czech Republic

2006-04-12 - 2006-04-16
Dynamic Italy Open
Monfalcone / Italy

2006-05-03 - 2006-05-07
Dynamic German Open
Sindelfingen / Germany

2006-06-07 - 2006-06-11
Patrick's Austria Open
Rankweil / Austria

2006-09-06 - 2006-09-10
Dynamic Netherlands Open
Weert / Netherlands

2006-10-04 - 2006-10-08
Dynamic Swiss Open
Frauenfeld/ Switzerland

2006-12-06 - 2006-12-10
Dynamic Costa del Sol Open
Malaga / Spain

TOUR STOP TOP 32

Pl	Name	Nat.	Pts
1	STOLKA Harald	GER	630
2	ORTMANN Oliver	GER	510
3	FEIJEN Niels	NL	420
3	FOLDES Vilmos	HUN	420
5	ALCAIDE David	ESP	350
5	APPLETON Darren	GB	350
5	UZZELL Kevin	GB	350
5	VAN DEN BERG Nick	NL	350
9	DRAGO Tony	MLT	300
9	ENGERT Thomas	GER	300
9	HAMMER Florian	GER	300
9	PUTNIK Ivica	CRO	300
9	SOUQUET Ralf	GER	300
9	TSCHUDI Marco	CH	300
9	ZOBREKIS Klaus	GER	300
9	ZOLOTILOV Konstantin	RUS	300
17	ALCOBERRO David	ESP	275
17	BORA Anar	CH	275
17	CHAMAT Marcus	SWE	275
17	HOHMANN Thorsten	GER	275
17	HYBLER Roman	CZ	275
17	JAHNKE Bernd	GER	275
17	KAPLAN Thomasz	PL	275
17	MAJID Imran	GB	275
17	MLADENOVIC Goran	SCG	275
17	PAURITSCH Sven	GER	275
17	PEACH Daryl	GB	275
17	PETRONI Fabio	ITA	275
17	REIMERING Christian	GER	275
17	SCHMIDT Michael	GER	275
17	SEE Huidji	NL	275
17	STOJANOVIC Philipp	CRO	275

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EURO RANKING TOP 32

Pl	Name	Nat.	Pts
1	ENGERT Thomas	GER	2525
2	FEIJEN Niels	NL	2425
3	MAJID Imran	GB	2320
4	VAN DEN BERG Nick	NL	2100
5	REIMERING Christian	GER	2075
6	CHAMAT Marcus	SWE	1940
7	ORTMANN Oliver	GER	1935
8	SOUQUET Ralf	GER	1920
9	PEACH Daryl	GB	1895
10	PETRONI Fabio	ITA	1870
11	ALCAIDE David	ESP	1800
12	SCHMIDT Michael	GER	1750
13	FOLDES Vilmos	HUN	1730
14	PAURITSCH Sven	GER	1730
15	BABICA Radoslaw	PL	1725
16	TSCHUDI Marco	CH	1725
17	UZZELL Kevin	GB	1720
18	TOT Sandor	SCG	1715
19	SEE Huidji	NL	1680
20	HYBLER Roman	CZ	1660
21	KAPLAN Jorn	GER	1660
22	STOJANOVIC Philipp	CRO	1635
23	ARSLAN Harun	TR	1625
24	STEPANOV Konstantin	RUS	1625
25	MARTENS Marcel	NL	1605
26	DRAGO Tony	MLT	1585
27	HOHMANN Thorsten	GER	1570
28	WORTHINGTON Andy	GB	1565
29	KIRSTEN Marcel	GER	1530
30	LELY Alex	NL	1530
31	THEHU Jesse	NL	1520
32	COHEN Stephane	FRA	1510

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PICTURES

Champion Harald Stolka with the trophy.



Harald Stolka celebrating his by far most prestigious success yet.



The Top 4 of the Dynamic German Open: Semi-finalist Vilmos Foldes (l.), Champion Harald Stolka (center), semi-finalist Niels Feijen (2nd from the right) runner-up Oliver Ortmann (r.)



PICTURES

A full packed crowd watching the title match of the Dynamic German Open



13-times Eurotour-Champion Oliver Ortmann missed his 14th. Tour-title by a hair.



Niels Feijen (l.) and Oliver Ortmann during the winner's ceremony.