



HIGH STAKES: Professional poker player Greg Ronaldson of Lonehill, Joburg, is pictured with Esmeralda de Beer and Amor Geyer at last year's WPC National Poker Tournament in Emperors Palace.

EMPERORS PALACE TO HOST NATIONAL POKER CHAMPIONSHIP:

Poker faces will be out in full force next month at Emperors Palace with the World Poker Tournament's National Poker Championship offering high-stakes poker. Riding on the massive success of last year's event, South Africa's Vegas of Africa will again be hosting the championship. The action begins tomorrow when Emperors Palace starts the official satellite tournament. The casino will welcome some of the world's biggest names from Thursday, when the official tournament starts. Players will be provided with the full WPT experience as the casino will be offering four poker events including the national championship. It's not only the professionals who will be getting in on the action, as there will be events to suit all poker enthusiasts. Entry fees range from R1 000 up to R44 000 per buy-in. More information is available at the Winners Circle desk at Emperors Palace, or at www.emperorspalace.com or on 011 928 1297/1213.

