

Poker Team Plan - Operational & Financial Strategy

1. Executive Summary

This document outlines the operational and financial blueprint for a 3-player Poker Team competing at NL20 (\$0.10/\$0.20). The strategy leverages a high-rakeback environment (70%) to ensure profitability even for break-even or slightly losing players at the tables.

Key Targets:

- **Game:** NL20 (\$0.10/\$0.20)
- **Volume Target:** 36,000 hands/month (Team Total)
- **Est. Team Monthly Profit: \$453 - \$554** (Total Generated)
- **Deal Structure:** 60% Team / 40% Player (Staked Model)
- **Primary Profit Driver:** Rakeback (Gross Rake * 70%)

2. Team Composition & Performance Scenarios

We model the team based on three distinct player profiles to estimate range-bound performance.

Assumptions on Rake:

- **Base Scenario:** 9 bb/100 (Standard TAG)
- **High Volume/Loose:** 11 bb/100 (More active play)

Scenario A: Standard Rake (9 bb/100 paid)

- **Rakeback (70%):** +6.3 bb/100

Player Role	Table Winrate	Rakeback	Net Winrate
Player A (-5)	-5.0	+6.3	+1.3
Player B (0)	0.0	+6.3	+6.3
Player C (+5)	+5.0	+6.3	+11.3

Scenario B: High Rake Environment (11 bb/100 paid)

- **Rakeback (70%):** +7.7 bb/100
- *Note: Higher rake paid usually correlates with slightly lower table winrates due to friction, but we will hold table winrates constant for this projection to show pure RB upside.*

Player Role	Table Winrate	Rakeback	Net Winrate
Player A (-5)	-5.0	+7.7	+2.7
Player B (0)	0.0	+7.7	+7.7
Player C (+5)	+5.0	+7.7	+12.7

3. Financial Projections (Monthly)

Deal Structure: Staked Model

- **Bankroll:** Provided 100% by the Poker Team (Investors).
- **Profit Split:** 60% Team / 40% Player.
- **Make-up:** Standard make-up applies (losses must be recovered before future splits).

Individual Performance (12k hands) - *Values in Bracket are (Player Share / Team Share)*

- **Player A (-5bb Table):** Total +\$31 -> **Player: \$12 | Team: \$19**
- **Player B (0bb Table):** Total +\$151 -> **Player: \$60 | Team: \$91**
- **Player C (+5bb Table):** Total +\$271 -> **Player: \$108 | Team: \$163**

Team Totals (Scenario A: Standard Rake)

- **Total Monthly Net Revenue:** \$453.60
- **Team Net Profit (60%):** ~\$272.00
- **Players Total Payout (40%):** ~\$181.00

Team Totals (Scenario B: High Rake Environment)

- **Total Monthly Net Revenue:** \$554.40
- **Team Net Profit (60%):** ~\$333.00
- **Players Total Payout (40%):** ~\$222.00

4. Risk Analysis & Bankroll Management

Volatility Parameters

- **Standard Deviation (SD):** 100 bb/100
- **Stop Loss:** -4 Buy-ins (400bb) per day per player to prevent tilt/catastrophic sessions.

Bankroll Requirements (<1% Risk of Ruin)

Calculated using the Kelly criterion approximation for Risk of Ruin: $B = -(\sigma^2 / 2\mu) * \ln(R)$

1. Team Capital Requirements (Investor Risk)

Since the Team provides 100% of the bankroll for all 3 players, we treat the operation as a single portfolio.

- **Team Net Winrate:** +18.9 bb/100 (Combined)
- **Team Variance:** $\sqrt{3} \times 100 \approx 173$ bb/100
- **Required Buy-ins:** ~37 BIs (Kelly Criterion for <1% Risk of Ruin)
- **Recommended Fund: \$1,000 (50 Buy-ins)**
 - *Allocation:* The \$1,000 fund covers the variance of all 3 players simultaneously.
 - *Reload Strategy:* If the fund drops below \$500 (25 BIs), investors should be prepared to top up.

2. Player Risk Profile

- **Financial Risk:** \$0.00 (Fully Staked).
- **Risk of Ruin:** None (Players do not lose their own money).

- **Make-up Protocol:** Players in make-up (negative balance) must clear the debt from future profits before receiving their 40% cut. Make-up does not reset monthly.

5. Summary of Operations

1. **Daily Routine:**
 - Volume check: ~430 hands/day/player daily average (or ~1k/session 3x a week).
 - Stop-loss enforcement: Hard stop at -4 BI (\$80) loss in a single day.
2. **Weekly Review:**
 - Check actual Rake Paid vs Estimated (9 bb/100).
 - Verify Rakeback payouts.
3. **Monthly Goals:**
 - Hit 36k hands combined.
 - Review Net Winrates to adjust Bankroll strategy if edges decrease.

6. Future Scalability (Simulation)

We created a custom simulation script (`calculate_scenarios.ts`) to model future growth. This scenario assumes the team expands to higher stakes with increased volume.

- **Script Location:** `calculate_scenarios.ts`
- **How to Run:** `npx ts-node calculate_scenarios.ts`

Scenario: Future Expansion Scale-Up

Assumptions:

- **NL20:** 2 Players (Juniors) playing 20k hands/mo (1 bb WR).
- **NL60:** 3 Players (Seniors) playing 15k hands/mo (2 bb WR).
- **NL100:** 2 Players (Captains) playing 12k hands/mo (3 bb WR).

Projected Monthly Results:

Group	Count	Stake	Vol/Player	Table WR	Net WR	Group Rev
Junior	2	NL20	20,000	1 bb	8.0 bb	\$640
Senior	3	NL60	15,000	2 bb	7.9 bb	\$2,146
Captain	2	NL100	12,000	3 bb	7.9 bb	\$1,896

Total Team Financials:

- **Total Monthly Volume:** 109,000 hands
- **Total Net Revenue:** ~\$4,682
- **Team Profit (60%):** ~\$2,809 / month
- **Players Payout (40%):** ~\$1,873 / month

7. Study Plans & Data Collection (Data-Driven Edge)

To ensure continuous competitive advantage and dynamic adaptation to the field, the team will adopt a data-driven approach and structured studies, utilizing advanced analysis and simulation tools.

7.1 Massive Data Collection (24/7)

A dedicated Virtual Machine (VM) will be implemented, operating 24 hours a day, with the following objectives:

- **Automated Capture:** Capture hands played by the field using Hand2Note (H2N).
- **Database:** Continuous storage of data to build a robust statistical database.
- **Tendency Monitoring:** Monitoring of population tendencies by stake, position, and action.

Benefits:

- Identification of recurring field leaks.
- Exploitative adjustments based on real data.
- Reduction of exclusive dependence on pure GTO in highly exploitable environments.

7.2 Statistical Analysis with Hand2Note (H2N)

H2N will be used for:

- Analysis of population HUD stats.
- Creation of specific filters (e.g., overfold in 3-bet pots, underbluff on rivers).
- Comparison between team performance vs. field.
- Construction of weekly and monthly tendency reports.

Expected Outputs:

- Exploitative ranges adjusted by stake.
- Ideal bluff/value frequencies against the field.
- Prioritization of higher EV spots.

7.3 Advanced Studies with Pio Solver

Pio Solver will be used as a theoretical reference tool (baseline GTO), allowing:

- Simulation of critical spots identified via H2N.
- Comparison between field decisions, team decisions, and GTO solutions.
- Creation of strategic simplifications applicable to real gameplay.

Study Flow:

1. **Identification:** Identify critical spots via H2N data.
2. **Modeling:** Model the spot in Pio Solver.
3. **Extraction:** Extract practical heuristics.
4. **Application:** Apply to ranges and exploitative lines.

7.4 Team Study Structure

- **Weekly Studies:** Analysis of recurring spots + review of population data.
- **Individual Studies:** Focus on personal leaks detected via H2N.
- **Knowledge Base:** Centralized storage of Adjusted Ranges, Study Scripts, Pio Solution Screenshots, and Strategic Notes.

7.5 Strategic Objective of the Study System

The final objective is not just to play "correctly", but rather:

- To **exploit** the field systematically and measurably.
- To create a continuous cycle of **Collection → Analysis → Adjustment → Execution**.

- To keep the team always ahead of field adaptation, even in high-stake environments.
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8. Business Expansion & Income Streams (Ecosystem)

Beyond the tables, the project aims to diversify revenue by commercializing our internal tools and expertise, creating a cohesive Poker Ecosystem.

8.1 MDA SaaS Platform (Global Market)

Concept: A subscription-based platform democratizing access to Elite Mass Data Analysis, inspired by market leaders like SnapMDA. **Core Value:** Allowing users to explore population tendencies without needing high-end hardware or private datamining farms. **Features:**

- **Massive Database:** Access to processed data from millions of hands (mined via our VM).
- **Leak Finder:** Visualization of population GTO deviations (e.g., "Pool underbluffs River in 3BP").
- **Bias Removal:** Algorithms to correct for non-showdown hand strength.
- **Revenue Model:** Monthly subscription (SaaS) for access to data filters and trend reports.

8.2 Localized Solver & Training (Brazilian Market)

Problem: Major tools (PioSolver, GTO Wizard) are priced in USD, making them prohibitive for the Brazilian market due to the exchange rate. **Solution:** A "Tropicalized" Solver and Trainer platform priced in BRL (Real). **Innovation: Realistic Range Reading Trainer**

- **Mechanism:** Unlike standard trainers, the user must input *their perception* of the villain's range at a decision point.
- **Feedback Loop:** The system compares the user's input vs. Actual Population Data (MDA) + GTO Baseline.
- **Cycle:** We use our own team players as beta testers (dogfooding) to refine the realism of the scenarios.

8.3 Team Management Ecosystem (B2B SaaS)

Concept: An all-encompassing ERP for Poker Teams and Stables. **Modules:**

- **Management:** Financial tracking, deal management, automated make-up calculations.
- **Scheduling:** Booking system for coaching, study sessions, and grind blocks.
- **Integration:** Seamlessly linked with the Training Platform (8.2) to track student progress and study history. **Goal:** Create a unified platform where a Manager can track a player's volume, results, AND study habits in one dashboard.