

## Pro Pool Player Jeremy Jones Tells His Craziest Gambling Stories

The Joe Rogan experience was there the fear that you entering into professional tournaments would knock your gambling People know that by this time people everyone knew I mean you know it didn't take long before a few trips I went by my middle name Yeah because there were magazines that you know you could see what's going on around the country You just might not get a picture or a video of it or whatever So you start to hear names you know So like the first time I went to California uh I did that actually and you know it worked out nice So what did you do You just use a different name Well it's a funny story and and I think he can laugh about it now but you know Marcus SCAD is right from Sweden So so there was a guy that was staking him and a lot of other great players and he was big action The guy was and I knew Marcus was out there And so I'm in hard times and I think I told you about this the other day with Keith but the only two people in the hard times that knew me Alright Uh was Keith and Jose PAA alright so everyone else didn't know who I was So Marcus Scan is standing next to two other guys that I know play but won't play kind of thing So I go up and I asked those two guys I was like you know when you want to play some you know 50 \$100 sets of nine ball you know knowing Marcus is gonna just jump right on me You know what I mean Like he's right next to him So long story short that happened and uh but I introduced myself as Tyler my middle name you know like I just did you know so we start playing he beats me a set for 100 playing even I quit He offers me the eight beats me a set for 200 I quit Now he offers me the seven So now his stor starts coming over near me because Marcus is just stealing this little 4 500 Ain't got nothing to do with the stor You know what I mean It's just like pocket money So now his steak horse comes over and he's kind of interested in the game and he says he'll give you the seven but you gotta bet you know everything you got I got like 25 or 30,000 on me You wouldn't know it But I do you know so I can't pull out 25 or 30,000 they're gonna know something's up So me and my buddy we just talk for a second So we end up pulling out like 4500 So we play for a little bit and uh we now we're playing seven ahead We were playing a race of seven for the 102 100 Right So now he thinks he's stealing because I mean the way I played in the other two sets you know what I'm saying So he just comes out like Gangbusters He got me like four games down I'm talking to

my buddy I'm like man this is sick We're gonna get beat in this spot right here I'm getting a seven you know so finally I get a shot and I start to run out Now I'm starting to run out and so his stor is there and he says man ain't this something You know what I mean He says uh we thought we were stealing It looks it looks real bad now So so I beat him that set So now at hard times you've been there right in L A Yeah So they got the player side right with the tight tables and they got the looser tables Well he had me on the looser tables thinking you know I'm just a sucker you know So he says uh the steak horse says double the bet and we'll give you the eight on the tight tables right So this is like really good for me You know now I'm getting a spot on even a tougher table So I beat him that set But during that second set a friend of mine had built me a queue and sent it out to the guy that ran the tournaments in L A right So I'm going by Tyler and this guy walks up and he says real loud He says are you Jeremy Jones No he says if you are I got a cue for you you know and I was like no I ain't Jeremy because I'm in the middle of this 13 \$9000 set plan you know So I said no I ain't Jeremy Jones you know and I just sent him on his way and then the next day when I came in Mark knew who I was and you know everyone spilled the beans kind of thing I had to go tell the guy alright That's my cue and everything So no no not at all He understood It's kind of like a funny story around there now I think but Marcus was mad at me for a little while because he was European you know and it was just kind of like you know if someone got me like that you know I'm gonna it's gonna sting but it's gonna be more like alright touche kind of thing you know what I'm saying later on you know we're gonna laugh about it and stuff but it took it's almost like if you first be different he walks by you but he don't say much to you for about a month or 20 yeah He's gotta let that wear off a little bit But it took Marcus probably about a decade before it was bad So when when he beat you the first two sets even were you were you hustling a little Well I might not have put forth my best effort but he played real good You know what I mean He was all right Let me pick up this 400 trying to set something up Well I thought I you know I'm definitely not trying to win for 200 You know what I mean Like his steak horse who now is actually after that trip became a real good friend of mine you know at that time he was known you could beat him out of you know 4050 you know 1000 right So you're not gonna start off doing anything like that for 200 or so So when you first start playing you play good but you're not really bearing down So you're showing him that you can play a little but you might miss some shots that plus I wanted to see him play You know I heard the name I

kind of wanted to really see because eventually to beat him out of the real money is gonna be playing even you know what I mean Because he's another great player So that eventually was gonna happen But Marcus ended up having to leave the country for his his visa got shortened up or something like that He actually ended up leaving the next day but I stuck around for about a month in these other countries Is there a lot of gambling going on obviously in the Philippines there is but is there a lot of gambling going on in these other countries where all these players are emerging Some of Asia for sure Um Southeast Asia especially I think you know Thailand like you said Philippines Indonesia Um you're up here and there Not a whole lot Not a whole lot at all And I I think it's more the steak horse kind of situation It's just not the mentality you know there's not stor you know people aren't just thinking oh let me go put somebody else in action for thousands of dollars and get half you know it's just not your everyday thing One of the fun parts of American pool culture the steak horses Oh absolutely They're some of the biggest characters wild crazy people with tons of money and how they got it Yeah And uh they're interested in gambling on pool Yeah I've uh been paid and buried money quite a few times Oh yeah Oh yeah It stinks It stinks Oh yeah Not nice The whole car stunk Oh yeah Real bad Do you think there's like bodies next to them I don't think so Mildew and shit Yeah I think so Yeah I'm talking about I think this has been there a long time 30 years There was a guy One time we were in South Carolina is another place that uh I frequented in the summers especially because we gambled to golf But um this guy Frank and he was a great great guy and he was coming in overalls didn't know he had a penny but he staked a lot of players and he did a lot for the pool community So he comes in one morning because we'd all meet at the pool room about 10 a.m. and we'd all make a golf game Then we'd go out to the golf course gamble golf come back to the pool room and make pool games right It was a it was awesome I mean the whole summer was like this So as Frank comes in one morning and uh he looked real upset and he never looked upset always happy Even if he lost he was happy And I said Frank what's wrong Are you Ok I come out my back door and I saw one of my bushes dug up today So one of his sons that is kind of you know a little detached at times from the family for one reason or another He let us stay there and he said he knew it right It was a \$30,000 bush Oh yeah Yeah Yeah And so he took it like a grain of salt He was more disappoint It was kind of like a disappointed father kind of thing More than upset He had plenty of money you know So but it's amazing what people do with their money Oh I

can't tell you Probably maybe the craziest I'll tell you later on The craziest ones on there But uh uh let's see Uh so so so one time I was in a tournament in Mississippi to get on with this I won the tournament uh tough tournament Johnny Archer all the great players and his bar table So I won like 8000 So by the time I won the tournament I think I was about 25,000 losers in the casino Ok like terrible trip I mean I wasn't even trying You remember Tony Ellen So he was 20 minutes late to get a steak dinner at the horseshoe It cost me about 12,000 I went down there and said oh let me just let me just pitch 300 you know and they just pounded me right So I got the tournament money after winning it was 8000 went straight to the cage and cast it went straight to the blackjack Yeah I had it about 10 minutes So the 8000 was gone And so this guy that was playing there his name was Frank Seals and he was a legendary ST Horse I used to take CJ when he was a kid and a lot of players throughout the years And he said hey if you're ever bored you want to come up to Morristown Tennessee I got a kid and I'll let you play if you still want to play You know I like the way he gambles what he said He watched me play blackjack blow all my money right So yeah so I had yeah I told him messing with I said you ain't dealing with me with no blackjack up there if I go up there So anyways I go up there So he's got this guy Mark Owens was his name Good player And uh real high gear maybe not the most steady player but real high gear So we're playing we start off playing races to nine or 10 or something for 1000 So long story short I got him 10,000 loser Ok And it's because we raised it and whatnot And uh so now the whole town this is a small town ok Just up in the northeast corner of Tennessee So the whole town starts coming in and this is their hero So my buddy starts taking bets on the side you know So now we I got him 10,000 loser and uh he says we want to play a set for 10,000 This is what Frank says that the steak horse he says but we need to call eight you know what the call eight is Of course right So uh so I said ok yeah so we're gonna race to race to 15 so we're betting about 10,000 on the side Ok so we're playing a set for like 20 Alright because my buddy's got a list of bets this long with all the town people you know what I mean So it's 9 to 8 mean instead of playing safe on the eight I try to jack up off the rail and stab it in and draw my ball You know what I mean And I I bauble it he makes it he breaks and runs five racks He's up 14 to 9 So now he breaks going to 15 and the 49 is wired over the spot He makes an incredible shot on the one He's got the three down the rail and he's just got a cupcake on the 49 So I turned my buddy and I said man we ain't got but like 8000 left you know because we're a winner We started off with

1000 a set I said we can't lower the bet You can't do that Then they know you're short you know what I'm saying So I'm like what are we gonna do You know we get more money tomorrow and whatever right So the pool tables here right He's shooting at this corner Now Frank is the only guy sitting right here on a stool chair Right Like a little school chair Everyone else is way back over here besides me and my buddies over here Right All the people watching So he knocks the three in Mark does and he comes down and he was kind of one of those guys that would fire the nine in You know what I'm saying You've seen him he rifles this 49 He could have just tapped it and it would have rolled right in the corner This ball went down and swirled around in the pocket Jumped almost all the way back out to the spot That's how far it went Yeah all the money's on the light right So Frank he knows about pool and the balls aimed directly at Frank So as soon as he hits it he knows it's in So Frank starts to get up and get the money I said oh Frank I said the nines on the table you know Frank's like 75 years old He's got glasses So I said the knives on the table He says oh I'm sorry you know like he didn't realize it didn't go in Well it did go in it just came back out Yeah never pocketed another ball The whole set I played safe on that first shot I broke a ran played safe broke a ran beat him 1514 right So now the kid he quits and he's he's literally crying out on the stairs Ok So uh Frank says come back the next day we'll play you some more So we come back the next day we start out playing like for 3500 races to 11 So I beat him three sets So he says hey he's gonna take a break He said I'll play you some more in a minute I'm like sweet man This is good good action you know So Frank's sitting in this chair right here and the kid's practicing a little bit and he hits the ball in that same pocket It jumps the pocket hits Frank dead in the eye right His glasses and blood's going everywhere I mean Oh yeah Yeah it was ironically crazy right So we end up having to quit and we never end up playing again So the same pocket that kinda saved me the day before right Kinda got him the next day and we end up never playing Yeah Funny story shitty table is that it was a gold crown but it had uh replacement pockets You know the big black ones that go in they're kind of bulky They kind of move around a little bit Yeah Yeah it was old school pool hole Yeah that Frank he was something else So I'm playing right and he pulls up his overall and uh I see a gunshot wound in his leg I said dang Frankie got shot He said yeah my wife shot me about 10 years Ago I said man you mean your ex-wife don't you He says no he says I'm still with her right I said damn about three months later she killed him after I played it Yeah The same lady that shot her

shot her 10 months before she shot him dead Did I think she did six months in a mental place and then she's out six months That was it that she shot him twice I think it was more I think it was like five of them in the I was telling you about that Buried money Frank gave me some of that buried mind I think he was kinda like a numbers guy You know how they run the lottery out in the country on their own and stuff Yeah I think he did like stuff like that So