

2012/2013 World Series of Poker Circuit

Season Nine

IP Casino Resort and Spa

Biloxi, Mississippi

Event #6

No-Limit Hold'em

Buy-In \$300 (+\$65)

Total Entries: 146

Prize Pool: \$43,800

August 13-14, 2012



2010 NOVEMBER NINER JOHN DOLAN WINS EVENT #6 AT IP BILOXI

Cory Wood finishes second, takes sole possession of the lead in the Casino Championship with six events remaining.

Biloxi, MS (August 14, 2012) — 2010 November Nine participant and Gulf Coast poker regular, John Dolan, won Event #6 at IP Casino Resort and Spa in Biloxi, MS Tuesday evening.

Dolan is most recognized for his sixth place finish in the 2010 WSOP Main Event when he was a member of the November Nine and won almost \$1.8 million. Jonathan Duhamel was the eventual champion of that record-breaking tournament and won \$8,944,310.

Dolan's victory comes in a timely manner as ESPN's coverage of the tournament that started it all for him, the WSOP Main Event, begins airing tonight (8:00 PM ET/5:00 PM PT) on ESPN. Hour-long episodes of the 2012 Main Event will broadcast back-to-back each Tuesday night for the next eleven weeks until the 2012 October Nine is reached. At that time, ESPN will air near-live coverage of the event and the viewer will be able to see first hand how life-changing being among the final nine of the WSOP Main Event can be.

"I have more freedom in life and in poker," said Dolan about life after the Main Event. "I can play when I want to for the most part and if I feel like taking a month off it isn't that big of a deal anymore. It's really nice in that sense."

Dolan has had a 2012 that would make even 12-time WSOP gold bracelet champion Phil Hellmuth blush. With six final table appearances, two victories and earnings nearing \$1 million, Dolan continues to make mincemeat of any player unfortunate enough to share a poker table with him.

Dolan's most recent standout performance came on the poker circuit that started it all for him -- The World Series of Poker.

With a WSOP resume that boasts \$1,942,208 in career earnings, the \$12,265 payday in Event #6 was nowhere near Dolan's largest score, but he's humble enough to recognize the value of a championship performance.

“It always feels good to final table something and especially win something, even if it is small,” Dolan said. “I’ve always been pretty competitive and I like \$12,000 just as much as anyone else.”

This was the sixth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at IP Biloxi. Officially listed as Event #6, the \$365 buy-in No-Limit Hold’em tournament attracted 146 entrants. The total prize pool came to \$43,800. The top fifteen finishers were paid. Dolan was awarded \$12,265 for first. All players who cashed received WSOP Circuit National Championship ranking points.

Notes On The Event

- With a runner-up finish, Cory Wood overtook Christopher Conrad in the Casino Championship. Additionally, he joined James Johnson and Conrad as the only three players to record multiple final table appearances at the 2012-13 WSOP Circuit at IP Biloxi.
- Event #6 played out over the course of two consecutive days. It took just 12 hours and fifteen minutes to trim the field to a nine-handed final table. Day 1 play was halted at the completion of level 19 (about 12:50 a.m.) with seven players remaining. The remaining seven came back for the final playing session at 3 p.m. the following day. Play finished at 5:30 p.m. making the total duration of the final table three hours and five minutes over the course of two days.
- Ryan Tepen began Day 2 with a 593,000 chips, almost twice that of second place, Wood. Tepen’s run came up short of gold, finishing sixth after a cold deck took its toll.

On his final hand he moved all-in hold king-jack and was called by the pocket nines of Dolan. The flop came 9s-8h-8s giving Dolan a full house and leaving Tepen drawing very slim. After a blank fell on the turn, Tepen called out, “Nine of spades! Nine of spades!” When the river brought the nine of clubs Tepen continued, “Oh! So close to a mis-deal,” remaining in good humor despite his misfortune. He was awarded \$2,285.

Through six events, Wood sits alone atop the Casino Championship leaderboard with 67.5 points. He is trailed by Conrad (60) and Event #1 champion, Blake Barousse (52.5).

The player who accumulates the most overall points in IP Biloxi’s twelve combined gold ring tournaments will earn the title “Casino Champion” and receive automatic entry into the \$1 million 2012-13 WSOP Circuit National Championship, as will the winner of the IP Biloxi Main Event. All players who cash in ring events will receive points that apply to both the Casino Championship race and the season-long race to claim one of the 60 at-large National Championship bids awarded to the top point earners throughout the season. More information on the points system is available on WSOP.com.

Here is a list of gold ring champions from IP Biloxi so far:

EVENT #1: Blake Barousse defeated 202 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$15,757

EVENT #2: Elisa Burkett defeated 103 players (\$580 NLHE Turbo) for \$15,449

EVENT #3: Travis Johnston defeated 78 players (\$365 PLO) for \$7,956

EVENT #4: Cauffman Talley defeated 461 players (\$365 NLH Re-Entry) for \$29,743

EVENT #5: Ashly Butler defeated 171 players (\$365 NLH Turbo) for \$13,850

EVENT #6: John Dolan defeated 146 players (\$365 NLH) for \$12,265

With the sixth tournament wrapped up, there are now six events remaining at the 2012-13 WSOP Circuit at IP Casino Resort and Spa in Biloxi, MS that runs through August 20, 2012.

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