

2012/2013 World Series of Poker Circuit Season Nine Harrah's Rincon Valley Center, CA (North San Diego) Event #6 No-Limit Hold'em Buy-In \$300 (+65) Total Entries: 135

Prize Pool: \$40,500 December 9-10, 2012

## Jimmy's Nguyen

## A Win for Jimmy Nguyen at Harrah's Rincon

## **WSOP Circuit Reaches Halfway Point**

**Valley Center, CA (December 10, 2012)** – The World Series of Poker Circuit presented by Southern Comfort 100 Proof at Harrah's Rincon has reached the midway point with the conclusion of the sixth of 12 gold ring events.

The latest winner is Jimmy Nguyen, a 33-year-old part-time poker player from San Diego, CA. He topped a strong field of 135 players en route to his first major tournament victory. Nguyen was among the chip leaders the entire way on Day Two, ultimately dominating a final table comprised of eight would-be first time winners.

Nguyen defeated a tough opponent named Saul Frank, another San Diego poker pro with an extensive tournament resume of cashes and final table appearances. In the end, Nguyen triumphed in the lightning-fast time of just over three hours, making this one of the shortest final table sessions of the season.

With his victory, Nguyen collected \$11,341 in prize money. He was also awarded his first gold ring. Nguyen also earned 50 points towards the Casino Champion and National Championships races.

The top-nine (final table) finishers were as follows:

1 Jimmy Nguyen	SAN DIEGO	CA US	\$11,341.00
2 Saul Frank	ESCONDIDO	CA US	\$7,009.00
3 Thomas Johnson	DALLAS	TX US	\$5,059.00

4	Ivan Mahood	MPL RIDGE	BC	CA	\$3,717.00
5	Peter Zaferis	TEMECULA	CA	US	\$2,779.00
6	Sam Ansley	SOUTHLAKE	TX	US	\$2,113.00
7	Daniel Rincones	CUILICAN		MX	\$1,633.00
8	Tavish Margers	SANTEE	CA	US	\$1,283.00
9	Chris Ruby	TEMECULA	CA	US	\$1,024.00

## **Tournament Notes**

- This was the sixth gold ring event (of 12) at the Harrah's Rincon series.
- Day One began with 135 starters for the noon start. By the end of 12 hours of play at midnight, only nine remained. The survivors returned for Day Two and played about three hours during the final table session.

Jimmy Nguyen now has 50 points in the Casino Champion race for the Harrah's Rincon series. He currently ranks in a second-place tie.

The player who accumulates the most overall points in San Diego's twelve combined gold ring tournaments will earn the title "Casino Champion" and shall receive automatic entry into the \$1 Million 2012-13 WSOP Circuit National Championship. The qualifier will join the winner of the \$1,675 buy-in Main Event (Dec. 14-17), who also wins an automatic seat.

All players who cash in gold ring events receive points that apply to both the Casino Championship race (good for Harrah's Rincon events only) and the season-long race to claim one of the 60 at-large National Championship bids to be awarded to the top point earners throughout the season. More information on the points system is available on WSOP.com.





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