



44<sup>th</sup> Annual World Series of Poker  
Rio All-Suite Hotel and Casino Las Vegas, Nevada  
Event 45  
Ante Only No Limit Hold'em  
Buy-In: \$1,500  
Number of Entries: 678  
Total Prize Pool: \$915,300  
Number of Places Paid: 72  
First Place Prize: \$201,399  
June 25 -June 27, 2013

Ben Volpe was on the losing end of a two-outer against Paul Lieu heads-up in the \$1,500 Ante-Only No-Limit Hold'em tournament, but he didn't let that shake him. The 26-year-old CPA from Chicago kept his nose to the grindstone and battled back to best Lieu and win \$201,399 along with his first gold bracelet.

Late into heads-up play the pair got all the chips in the middle, Volpe holding queens and Lieu fours. The flop and turn came blanks, but the river brought a four sending Lieu to his rail's arms in celebration -- but Volpe didn't flinch. He looked down at his stack and calmly counted out the chips to pay Lieu and then it was back to work.

It took some time, but Volpe got the best of his opponent and reaped the rewards. He now lays claim to eight WSOP cashes and one final table appearance along with more than \$380,000 in career earnings.

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