

**2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit
River Rock Resort and Casino
Event #3
No-Limit Hold'em Turbo
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 328
Total Prize Pool: \$98,400
October 29, 2013**

Eric Kim Wins Gold at River Rock

Accountant from Vancouver Crushes Turbo Event For First WSOP Cash and a Ring

Vancouver, BC (October 29, 2013) – Eric Kim seized the third ring offered on the World Series of Poker Circuit at River Rock Casino and Resort. Kim rose to the top of a 328-person field to claim the prestigious piece of jewelry and \$23,123 in first-place prize money.

The entire tournament was over in what seemed like a flash, as the turbo structure led to constant bustouts and shrinking of the field. In all, the entire tournament lasted just around 12 hours which was enough time for Kim to navigate the field, roll with the punches, and lay claim to the largest tournament score of his life.

“I’ve been playing for like ten years on and off,” said Kim. “And this is the biggest win I’ve had. Ever. Ever.”

Not only is this Kim’s largest tournament score, but it also marks his first cash in a WSOP-related event. This is a common trait shared with winner of Event 1 winner Vincent Wong. As this marks only the second-ever Canadian Circuit stop, it’s no surprise that many natives of Canada who do not travel the US Circuit are finding their first taste of glory here at River Rock.

Kim came into the final table second in chips, but was still far behind chip leader Duy Tan Pham who had over half of the chips in play. Having Pham seated to his direct right, Kim was able to choose his spots wisely in order to navigate a path to victory.

“The guy who was sitting next to me had a dominating chip lead,” Kim recounted. “He bled away early in the game, though, and I was able to pick pots here and there.”

Kim claimed he had no immediate plans for his tournament winnings, but he will be sure to return and fire at least one bullet into the River Rock Main Event.

Final table results were as follows:

1st – Eric Kim - \$23,123
2nd – Daniel Park - \$14,298
3rd – David Bryce - \$10,384
4th – Duy Tan Pham - \$7,670
5th – Zhiran Chen - \$5,758
6th – Valentino Cadiz - \$4,392
7th – Lamarr Daniel \$3,402
8th – Joseph Lind - \$2,675
9th – Jason Hoang - \$2,134

Notes on the Event

- Vincent Wong, winner of Event 1, scored an 11th place finish in this event, eliminating him from play just shy of the final table. Wong, who already held 50 points toward Casino Champion from his victory, now sits with 60 points and is the man to catch heading into Day 4 of the River Rock Circuit.

- The entire tournament lasted for roughly 12 hours.

For his win, Eric Kim earns 50 points toward the River Rock Casino Champion standings. This ties Kim for second place with Event 2 winner Chris Back. The player who accumulates the most overall points during River Rock's gold ring tournaments will earn the title Casino Champion and receive automatic entry into the WSOP National Championship to take place at Caesars Atlantic City this spring.

All players who cash in ring events receive points that apply toward the Casino Champion's race and the season-long race to claim one of 50 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 the list of gold ring winners from River Rock Resort and Casino:

EVENT #1: Vincent Wong defeated 511 players (\$365 NLH) for \$32,956
EVENT #2: Chris Back defeated 343 players (\$580 NLH) for \$39,439
EVENT #3: Eric Kim defeated 328 players (\$365 NLH Turbo) for \$23,123

With this event in the books, seven more live gold ring events remain as the WSOP Circuit at River Rock Casino and Resort continues through November 7th. Two additional rings will be available through online tournaments hosted by PlayNow.com.

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