

**2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season 10
Choctaw Resort and Casino
Durant, OK
Event #4
One-Day No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 483
Prize Pool: \$144,900
January 12, 2014**



Jacob McFarland Earns Gold in Turbo

Victor pockets \$2,500 an hour in Choctaw one-day event.

Tournament sees more-than 40 percent attendance increase over 2012/2013 event.

Durant, OK (January 13, 2014) — It took Jacob McFarland barely 12 hours to best the 483-player field in the \$365 One-Day No-Limit Hold'em tournament at Choctaw Casino Resort Sunday. The victory earned him a gold ring, 50 points toward the Casino Championship and \$31,159 -- or more than \$2,500 an hour.

The almost-500-player field marked an attendance increase of 40 percent over last year's one-day tournament and was the icing on the cake for opening weekend at Choctaw which included the 2,867-entrant re-entry event.

"It feels awesome," McFarland told the WSOP after his win. "Last year I got fourth, so I was coming back for my revenge."

The fourth-place finish McFarland referred to came in the opening event of the series and awarded \$10,388. With a propensity to stand out in bigger fields, McFarland's Circuit results were rather non-existent in the months since. That is, until Sunday.

Although the victory was swift, it didn't come easy. The in-the-money field was stacked with the likes of six-time bracelet winner T.J. Cloutier (20th) and the 2011/2012 Choctaw Main Event Champion Abraham Araya (12th).

Additionally, three-time ring winner Jessie Bryant finished 46th.

Gold ring winner Nolan Burton controlled the action during much of the late stages and pushed and shoved his way to a heads-up berth where he held about a three-to-one chip lead over McFarland. A few pots and two all-ins later for McFarland and tournament staff was counting down the stacks to see who had who covered.

In the end, ring number two wasn't meant to be for Burton and McFarland's rail erupted in cheer.

McFarland is a 29-year-old pro from San Antonio, TX. His finish marks his third Circuit cash and second final table.

Event 4 was the fourth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at Choctaw Casino Resort. The \$365 One-Day No-Limit Hold'em tournament attracted 483 players generating a \$144,900 prize pool. The top 54 players were paid.

The tournament began Sunday at 12 p.m. It took less than 11 hours to reach the nine-handed final table. Play concluded at about 1 a.m. making the total duration of the event 13 hours including a one-hour dinner break.

Notes on the Event

- Jacob McFarland's \$31,159 first prize came out to \$2,596.58 an hour.
- The 483-player field marked an attendance increase of 40.81 percent over 2012/2013's turbo.
- The Choctaw Resort Circuit series marks the 12th of 22 events scheduled for the 2013/2014 season.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during Choctaw Casino Resort's twelve combined gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives 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 Choctaw Casino Resort:

EVENT #1: Sean Stevens defeated 533 players (\$365 NLH) for \$34,380

EVENT #2: Chris Benoy defeated 254 players (\$365 PLO) for \$18,667

EVENT #3: TBD

EVENT #4: Jacob McFarland defeated 483 players (\$365 One-Day NLH) for \$31,159

With the fourth tournament wrapped, eight more ring events remain at Choctaw Casino Resort.

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