2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit Season 10 Harrah's Tunica Tunica, MS Event #11 No-Limit Hold'em Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)

Total Entries: 199 Prize Pool: \$59,700 February 2-3, 2014



Andrew Rothfolk Earns Second Gold Ring

Rothfolk follows up a 2013 Tunica Main Event third-place finish with a gold ring in 2014.

Tunica, MS (February 3, 2014) — Andrew Rothfolk made his way through the likes of Allen "Chainsaw" Kessler and 2013 Harrah's Cherokee Main Event winner John Bowman to earn his second gold ring at Harrah's Tunica Monday night. The win came in Event 11, a \$365 no-limit hold'em tournament and concluded alongside the Main Event. In addition to the ring, Rothfolk earned \$15,520 but admitted he's still hungry.

"Both [rings I've won] were postlim events," Rothfolk said. "I need to win bigger ring events to feel satisfied."

It's likely Rothfolk's hunger is fueled by the fact he came within spitting distance of a Main Event title at Harrah's Tunica last year, ultimately finishing third. While the deep run awarded a \$92,947 consolation prize, it didn't suppress his appetite for a six-figure score.

"I got the ring ripped from me last year. It's sweet to win, but I'd like to be up there," he said pointing to Main Event final table.

Joining Rothfolk at the final table was the aforementioned Bowman who has no lack of experience making his way through Main Event fields. Bowman began the final table with the chip lead and like Rothfolk, eyed his second gold ring. In addition to Rothfolk, yet another player pursuing his second ring – Kessler – remained to be bested.

In the end, Kessler finishing third, leaving Rothfolk and Bowman to duel it out. Rothfolk proved too tough an opponent on this particular evening and Bowman exited second earning \$9,588.

With the Event 11 title under his belt, Rothfolk headed over to the Main Event rail where he supported his close friend Carter Myers heads-up against Jonathan Gaviao. Myers went on to bust second, coming one place shy of winner Gaviao's first-place finish.

Undoubtedly, the trip to Tunica was a mega success for Rothfolk and many of his close friends including Event 5 winner Justin Brown, Event 7 winner Joseph Hebda and, of course, Myers. Rothfolk's victory marks his 10th Circuit cash and comes following his third final table. The \$15,520 first prize moves him over \$130,000 in career earnings at the WSOP.

Event 11 was the 11th of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at Harrah's Tunica. The \$365 No-Limit Hold'em tournament attracted 199 players generating a \$59,700 prize pool. The top 21 players were paid.

Day 1 began Sunday at 3 p.m. and lasted 18 levels. The nine-handed final table was reached late on Day 1, and thus, Day 2 began Monday at 1 p.m. with nine players remaining. Action concluded around 4:30 p.m. making the total duration of the finale roughly five hours.

Notes on the Event

• Andrew Rothfolk finished third in the Harrah's Tunica Main Event last year.

Aaron Frei donned Casino Champion honors following second, fourth, 11th and 28th-place finishes. He earned 85 points to secure his spot in the season-ending National Championship.

Here is the list of gold ring winners from Harrah's Tunica:

EVENT #1: Mitch Franks defeated 384 players (\$365 NLH) for \$25,341

EVENT #2: Nick Burris defeated 560 players (\$365 NLH) for \$35,290

EVENT #3: Robert Richardson defeated 1,448 entries (\$365 NLH Re-Entry) for \$74,932

EVENT #4: Robert Hankins defeated 347 players (\$365 NLH) for \$23,941

EVENT #5: Justin Brown defeated 348 players (\$365 NLH) for \$24,012

EVENT #6: Oran Haynes defeated 318 players (\$365 NLH) for \$22,416

EVENT #7: Joseph Hebda defeated 314 players (\$365 NLH Six-Handed) for \$23,550

EVENT #8: Daniel Rivera defeated 274 players (\$580 NLH) for \$32,878

EVENT #9: Paul Goldberg defeated 148 players (\$365 PLO) for \$12,434

EVENT #10 (The Main Event): Jonathan Gaviao defeated 577 entries (\$1,675 NLH) \$181,757

EVENT #11: Andrew Rothfolk defeated 199 players (\$365 NLH) for \$15,520

EVENT #12: TBD

With the 11th tournament wrapped, one more ring event remains to be decided at Harrah's Tunica.

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