2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit Season 10 Lodge Casino Black Hawk, CO Event #3 No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry

Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65) Total Entries: 770 Prize Pool: \$231,000 April 25-28, 2014



Eyster Wins at Home

31-year-old professional poker player, Greg Eyster navigates through a field of 770 to win his first WSOP Circuit gold ring.

Black Hawk, CO (April 28, 2014) – PLO8 heads-up specialist turned tournament pro, Greg Eyster, picks up his first WSOP Circuit gold ring event in his home state of Colorado. Eyster survived the massive 770 entrant field in the re-entry event to earn the top prize of \$46,205.

"I was sick all day and I was just trying to make it to the end of the day," said Eyster about finishing Day 1 with the chip lead. "I didn't even care how much I bagged up, it was just kind of a bonus I guess."

The 31-year-old came into the final table as one of the shorter stacks after losing a huge pot with 11 players left. At the final table Eyster was able to chip up slowly. He knocked out Joe Morneau in 5th place. By the time it was three-handed, Eyster had taken back control of the chip lead. After Daniel Brewer was knocked out in third, Eyster found himself heads-up against Steve Helling, who was also chasing his first gold ring. Fifteen minutes into the heads-up battle Eyster, knocked out Helling with a turned full house against Helling's flopped straight and it was all over.

Eyster earned 50 Casino Championship points with his victory and, with still seven events remaining, Eyster plans on pursuing the Casino Championship award. Early in the year, Eyster finished 7th place in the Main Event at the WSOP Circuit River Rock stop in Richmond, British Colombia.

"It was pretty disappointing," said Eyster about his seventh place finish. "It is really nice to get some redemption here."

Event 3 was the third of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the Lodge Casino in Black Hawk, CO. The \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry tournament attracted 770 players generating a \$231,000 prize pool. The top 81 players were paid.

Day 1A began Friday at 5 p.m. Day 1B Saturday at 11 a.m. and Day 1C Saturday at 5 p.m. Each day 1 last 15 levels. Day 2 began Sunday at 12 p.m. with 88 players remaining. The tournament concluded Monday at 12:45 a.m.

Notes on the event:

- Eyster finished 7th in the Main Event at River Rock earlier in the year.
- This is the largest field the Lodge Casino has ever hosted for a poker tournament with 770 entries.
- Joe Morneau (5th) has moved up to third in the National Championship point's standings after earning 25 more points to his total.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during the Lodge Casino twelve combined gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP National Championship set to take place at Bally's Atlantic City May 22-24, 2014.

All players who cash in ring events receive points that apply toward the Casino Championship 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 Horseshoe Council Bluffs:

EVENT #1: Chad Donnelly defeated 269 players (\$365 NLH) for \$19,773

EVENT #2: Valentin Vornicu defeated 145 players (\$580 NLH) for \$20,299

EVENT #3: Greg Eyster defeated 770 players (\$365 NLH Re-Entry) for \$46,205

With the third tournament wrapped, nine more ring events remain at the Lodge Casino.

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