2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit Season 10 Lodge Casino Black Hawk, CO Event #8 No-Limit Hold'em Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65) Total Entries: 199 Prize Pool: \$59,700 April 30 – May 1



Pringle Victorious in Event 8

Ryan Pringle wins Event 8 after battling heads up for more than two hours and surviving two and a half hours of three-handed play.

Black Hawk, CO (May 1, 2014) – It was a long Day 2 for Ryan Pringle in Event 8 – \$365 No-Limit Hold'em but every minute was worth it because he walked away as the victor and with \$15,520 more in his pocket. Day 2 began at 2 p.m. with only six players remaining and did not finish until 8:40 p.m. Pringle defeated Mark Nickason after a heads up battle that lasted more than two hours long.

"I started to lose focus a couple of times, but I was actually very relaxed." said Pringle about the long heads up battle. "I just bared down, had a good time and managed to keep my focus. Playing for the ring, it is easy to keep your focus."

The 52-year-old owns a guest ranch near Gunnison, Colorado. Pringle is just a recreational player but loves tournaments. He says he visits Las Vegas three to four times a year to play in tournaments. With this victory, Pringle moves to first place of the Casino Championship standings with 70 Casino Championship points, surpassing Tim Campbell.

Pringle plans to play the Main Event to try to pick up a few more points to secure the Casino Championship title. He told himself coming into the day that if he won Event 8 he would for sure play the Main Event.

"It is \$10,000 seat, I am not just going to sit there and not at least just throw something at it." said Pringle.

Pringle came into Day 2 fifth in chips and had only 22 big blinds. He managed his short stack well and let others get picked off early before mounting his comeback. This is Pringle's second cash of the series. Pringle finished 7th in Event 1 - \$365 No-Limit Hold'em.

Event 8 was the eighth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the Lodge Casino in Black Hawk, CO. The \$365 – No-Limit Hold'em event attracted 199 entries generating a \$59,700 prize pool. The top 21 players were paid.

Notes on the event:

- Day 2 lasted 6 hours and 40 minutes including breaks. Day 2 started with six players
- Ryan Pringle became the Casino Champion and now has 70 points.
- Stephen Hesse (fourth) reached his second final table of the series. He finished second to Valentin Vornicu in Event 2.
- This is Ryan Pringle's second final table of the series. Pringle finished seventh in Event 1.

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 the Lodge Casino

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 EVENT #4: Tim Campbell defeated 212 players (\$365 NLH) for \$15,900 EVENT #5: TJ Thondup defeated 165 players (\$365 NLH) for \$13,364 EVENT #6: Osama Aweida defeated 146 players (\$365 O8B) for \$12,246 EVENT #7: Craig Varnell defeated 189 players (\$365 NLH) for \$14,739 EVENT #8: Ryan Pringle defeated 199 players (\$365 NLH) for \$15,520

With the eight tournaments wrapped up, only four more ring events remain at the Lodge Casino.

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