2014/2015 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season 11
Lumiere Place Casino and Hotels
St. Louis, Mo.
Event #10
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: $300 (+$65)
Total Entries: 150
Prize Pool: $45,000
February 28-March 1, 2015

Kyle Hogan Wins Lumiere Event 10

27-year-old St. Louis resident runs his own satellite, parlays a $300 cash game session into a gold ring and $12,596 at Lumiere.

St. Louis, Mo. (March 1, 2015) — Kyle Hogan is one-for-one in gold ring events following a victory in Event 10 at the Lumiere Place World Series of Poker Circuit, a $365 no-limit hold'em tournament, Sunday night. The 27-year-old business owner born and raised in St. Louis worked his way through a tough field of 150 players to take the event's top honor along with $12,596 and 50 points toward the Casino Championship.

"It's pretty cool, man," Hogan said of winning the tournament. "This is my first event I've ever played in. To take it down is pretty cool."

Typically a cash game player, Hogan entered Event 10 on a whim.

"On Saturday, I came [to Lumiere] at noon and told myself if I made over $300 in the cash game I'd play in a [WSOP Circuit] tournament," Hogan said. "Fortunately, I made $300 in the cash game and here we are."

His makeshift satellite seat delivered quite the ROI as he outlasted a tough field that included ring winners Mark Fisher (11th), Duane Gerleman (ninth) and Jason Tulloos (fourth).

"I just wanted to make the money. That's about it," Hogan said of his hopes going into the tournament.

The victory marks Hogan's second career tournament cash. His first came in a $185 Deepstack at this summer's Series where he finished 13th for $584. He is self-employed and spends much of his free time in the Lumiere's cash room.

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Event 10 was the 10th of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at Lumiere Place. The $365 no-limit hold'em event attracted 150 players. The total prize pool came to $45,000 and the top 15 finishers were paid.

The tournament began Saturday, February 28 at 5 p.m. Day 1 wrapped following Level 15 with 19 players remaining. Play resumed the following day at 3 p.m. and the tournament concluded just before 9 p.m.

Here is the list of gold ring winners from Lumiere Place:

EVENT #1: Eric Montgomery defeated 234 players ($365 NLH) for $17,551
EVENT #2: Mario Webster defeated 792 entries ($365 NLH re-entry) for $47,520
EVENT #3: Nicholas Pupillo defeated 104 players ($580 NLH) for $15,600
EVENT #4: Charlie Dawson defeated 181 players ($365 NLH) for $14,118
EVENT #5: Jesse Watson defeated 187 players ($365 NLH Six Handed) for $15,428
EVENT #6: Bradley Coultas defeated 193 players ($365 NLH Black Chip Bounty) for $10,036
EVENT #7: Kevin McColgan defeated 183 players ($365 NLH) for $14,275
EVENT #8: Karl Sederberg defeated 128 players ($365 PLO) for $10,752
EVENT #9 (Main Event): Josh Turner defeated 415 entries ($1,675 NLH) for $136,945
EVENT #10: Kyle Hogan defeated 150 players ($365 NLH) for $12,596
EVENT #11: Peter Brooks defeated 110 players ($365 NLH) for $9,901
EVENT #12: Ryan Tepen defeated 96 players ($365 NLH Turbo) for $8,638

Jesse Watson of Canton, Ill. earned Casino Champion honors of the Lumiere Place series following first- and 41st-place finishes in preliminary events with a fourth-place finish in the Main Event. In all, Watson earned 95 points toward the 12-tournament race, besting second place Mark Fledderman by 20. The performance punches Watson's ticket to the 2015 National Championship where he'll compete alongside the Lumiere Place Main Event champion, Josh Turner, for a piece of an up-to $2 million prize pool and a gold bracelet.

All players who cashed in ring events earned points that apply toward the season-long race to claim one of 56 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.

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