

**2014/2015 World Series of Poker Circuit  
Season 11  
Palm Beach Kennel Club  
West Palm Beach, Fla.  
Event #2  
Pot-Limit Omaha 8 or Better  
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)  
Total Entries: 114  
Prize Pool: \$34,200  
Feb. 5-6, 2015**



## **Meltzer Takes the Gold in PLO8**

**Mitch Meltzer beats the odds to win the gold ring in his first ever WSOP Circuit event.**

**West Palm Beach, Fla. (February 6, 2015)** -- It is very rare when a player records their first WSOP cash as a victory, and even more so when it is actually their first WSOP Circuit event ever played in. Battling back from health issues and lacking WSOP final table experience definitely made Mitch Meltzer an underdog, but that just makes his story even better.

He was up against a tough final table that included gold ring winners, William Kopp (2nd Place) and Zachary Milchman (5th Place). Milchman won this same event two years ago. It was definitely gold ring worthy performance to overcome what looked like to be slim odds for Meltzer.

According to Meltzer, he played in a couple of gold Bracelet events in Las Vegas a few years ago, but has never participated in a Circuit event. Health issues caused him to step away from the game for a little while. There is no better way to return to the game than with a tournament victory.

“I am thrilled right now, I can’t even tell you. I am so excited,” said Meltzer about winning the gold ring.”

Meltzer came to the series without the intention to even play in this event. His plans were to play the H.O.R.S.E. event, one hold’em event, and the Senior’s Event. He came to the series with his son and when he found out his son was playing the PLO8 event, Meltzer decided he would give it a shot too.

Meltzer now says that he will most likely play in the Main Event. He came to the series with the intention of playing in the Main Event only if he was able to spike a good result earlier in the series.

Event #2 was the second gold ring event on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the Palm Beach Kennel Club in West Palm Beach, Florida, but the first event to be complete. The \$365 Pot-Limit Omaha 8 or Better tournament attracted 114 players, generating a \$34,200 prize pool. The top 12 players were paid.

Day 1 began Thursday at 5 p.m. and lasted 17 levels. Day 2 began Friday at 4 p.m with 12 players remaining. The tournament concluded at about 6:30 p.m. at the beginning of level 21.

Notes on the event:

- It is the first WSOP Circuit event Meltzer has ever played in.
- The final table took only a little over two hours to complete.
- Meltzer's son busted the event, but bagged chips in Flight C of Event #1 while Meltzer was winning his ring.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during the Palm Beach Kennel Club twelve combined gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP National Championship set to take place at the end of the year.

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](http://WSOP.com).

Here is the list of gold ring winners from the Palm Beach Kennel Club:

EVENT #2: Mitch Meltzer defeated 114 players (\$365 PLO8) for \$10,261

With the first tournament wrapped up, 11 more ring events remain at the Palm Beach Kennel Club series.

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