2015/2016 World Series of Poker Circuit Season 12 Foxwoods Casino Mashantucket, CT Event #3 Six-Max No-Limit Hold'em Buy-In: \$580

Total Entries: 106 Prize Pool: \$53,466

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Philip Shing Wins His First WSOP-C Ring

Mashantucket, CT (August 10, 2015) — Sunday at Foxwoods Resort & Casino saw 106 players show up to play six handed in Event #3 at the World Series of Poker Circuit. The tournament started at 11am, and by 7:30pm the field was one player away from making the money. The bubble ended up lasting two hours, but it only took one hour once the money was hit to reach the final table.

Starting the final table, Tom Dragone had over 40% of the chips in play but would still have to dispatch of his five opponents, including Foxwoods regular Soukha Kachittavong and three-time WSOP-C ring winner Baruch Thaler.

Baruch started the final table in last position, and he would be first to fall when his pocket treys ran into Philip Shing's pocket kings. Philip knocked another play out in Welther Marmol when both flopped top pair but Philip's ace kicker was best.

Next to go was Soukha Kachittavong, when his pocket sevens ran into Tom's pocket queens. Minutes later, Philip knocked out a third player at the final table when his ace-eight held up against Aristoteles Nero's king-jack.

Getting to heads up took under 45 minutes, but declaring a winner wouldn't be so quick. Philip chipped away slowly but surely against Tom's stack for an hour and a half until he was finally able to finish the job. Both players had rivered a flush, Tom's flush was lower than Philip's, and the one time chip leader would fall in second place.

Philip lives in Brooklyn, New York, though he was born in Hong Kong. He works in finance and has a baby on the way. The \$14,543 first place prize will certainly be a helpful addition to his bankroll as he continues to play the WSOP Circuit.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during Foxwoods Casinos's 12 combined gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP National Championship. Additionally, all players who cash in ring events earn points that apply toward the season-long race to claim one of 60 expected 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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