

## **2015/2016 World Series of Poker Circuit**

**Season 12**

**Palm Beach Kennel Club**

**West Palm Beach, Fla.**

**Event #9**

**No-Limit Hold'em**

**Buy-In: \$1,000 (+\$125)**

**Total Entries: 100**

**Prize Pool: \$100,000**

**September 24-25, 2015**



### **John DePersio Wins PBKC \$1K Ring Event**

**DePersio earns \$30,000, his first WSOP Circuit gold ring and takes head of steam into the Main Event.**

**Event #4 winner John Vale records second final table of 12-day series, takes Casino Championship lead.**

**West Palm Beach, Fla. (September 25, 2015)** — Event #9 of the World Series of Poker Circuit at the Palm Beach Kennel Club concluded Friday afternoon alongside Flight A of the Main Event. Topping the 100-player field in the \$1,125 buy-in event was Parkland, Fla.'s John DePersio. For the effort, DePersio earned \$30,000 as well as 50 points toward the Casino Championship and his first Circuit gold ring.

In comparison to the \$365 prelims, Event #9 attracted a higher caliber of player. DePersio bested a field that included the defending champion Kristopher Bradshaw, bracelet winner David Diaz, four-time ring winner Sam Panzica, three-time ring winner Daniel Gilmer and others. The in-the-money field included Florida pro Darryll Fish (11th), Bradshaw (fifth), Orlando Romero (third) and two-time ring winner Mark Fisher (second).

Despite the talent of its players and a top-heavy prize structure, the event played out in a flash. The field narrowed from 100 starting to just two remaining following 21 levels of Day 1 play. Action resumed the following day with more than 125 big blinds still up for grabs and plenty of room left for play. DePersio held a slight advantage over Fisher, but it was truly anybody's game.

With the highly-regarded main Event playing out behind them, DePersio and Fisher bet and raised like they had somewhere to go. In the end, it took just 30 minutes for DePersio to eliminate Fisher second and come out victorious. The runner-up finish sent Fisher home with \$18,542.

In addition to DePersio's victory, the tournament yielded one other major headline in regard to the Casino Championship. Event #4 winner John Vale recorded his second final table of the series ultimately finishing fourth. On top \$9,590, he earned 27.5 points toward the Casino Championship bringing his total to 95. That number helped leapfrog then-leader Cody Pack's 87.5-point pace and placed him firmly at the top through nine events.

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Event #9 was the ninth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the Palm Beach Kennel Club. The \$1,125 no-limit hold'em event attracted 100 players. The total prize pool came to \$100,000 and the top 12 finishers were paid.

The tournament began Thursday, September 24 at noon ET and Day 1 wrapped at the end of Level 21 (at about 2:15 a.m.). Day 2 resumed Friday at noon with two players remaining and action concluded toward the end of Level 22 less than 30 minutes later.

Final results:

1st: John DePersio - \$30,000  
2nd: Mark Fisher - \$18,542  
3rd: Orlando Romero - \$13,202  
4th: John Vale - \$9,590  
5th: Kristopher Bradshaw - \$7,104  
6th: Anthony Ruberto - \$5,363  
7th: Michael Newman - \$4,125  
8th: Jerry Wong - \$3,231  
9th: Jeffrey Dobring - \$2,576  
10th: Charles Sickmeir - \$2,089  
11th: Darryll Fish - \$2,089  
12th: Christian Rodriguez - \$2,089

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

EVENT #1: Joshua Beckley defeated 317 players (\$365 Monster Stack) for \$22,349  
EVENT #2: Matthew Ezrol defeated 57 players (\$365 HORSE) for \$6,412  
EVENT #3: Jonathan Abila defeated 615 entries (\$580 NLH Re-Entry) for \$64,575  
EVENT #4: John Vale defeated 98 players (\$365 NLH) for \$8,821  
EVENT #5: Cody Pack defeated 107 players (\$365 NLH) for \$9,630  
EVENT #6: Mark Smith defeated 91 players (\$365 PLO Hi-Low) for \$8,192  
EVENT #7: Robert "Bobby" Hodson defeated 115 players (\$365 NLH Six-Handed) for \$10,351  
EVENT #8: Alex Miller defeated 95 players (\$365 NLH) for \$8,551  
EVENT #9: John DePersio defeated 100 players (\$1,125 NLH) for \$30,000

The player who accumulates the most overall points during the Palm Beach Kennel Club's 12 combined gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP Global Casino Championship. Additionally, all players who cash in ring events earn points that apply toward the season-long race to claim one of 50 expected at-large WSOP Global Casino Championship bids awarded to the top point earners. More information on the season-ending event is available on [WSOP.com](http://WSOP.com).

All rings at the Palm Beach Kennel Club are furnished by [Jostens](http://Jostens), the official ring supplier of the 2015/2016 WSOP Circuit season.

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