2015/2016 World Series of Poker Circuit Season 12 Harrah's Cherokee Cherokee, N.C. Event #6 No-Limit Hold'em

Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65) Total Entries: 380 Prize Pool: \$114,000 December 1-2, 2015



Andrew Robinson Wins Ring #4

Andrew Robinson cracks Brent Catalano's pocket aces to win his fourth career gold ring.

Cherokee, N.C. (**December 3, 2015**) -- Andrew Robinson has just become the second player of the series to win his fourth career WSOP Circuit gold ring. The first player was Cody Pack, who won the opening event of the series. Robinson defeated a field of 380 entries to earn \$25,078 and his fourth WSOP Circuit gold ring.

By the end of Day 1 the final table had been reached and Robinson found himself in a good spot. He entered Day 2 and the final table second in chips and with the most WSOP experience.

"I was going to try to be pretty aggressive, but everyone seemed like they were really ready to go at it. I just sat back for a while, blinded out a little bit and then caught a couple of hands and ended up in a really good spot," said Robinson about his strategy heading into the final table.

The final table saw players hit the rail at a rapid pace. The first four players were eliminated in the first two levels of Day 2. The next three hit the rail shortly after and that left Robinson heads up against Brent Catalano. Catalano was playing for his first gold ring. The two players battled it out for over two hours with Robinson holding the lead for most of the match. Catalano would not fall easily. Robinson cracked Catalano's aces to take him out in second place. Catalano earned \$15,498 for his runner up finish.

Robinson is a professional poker player from Round Rock, Texas. This marks his 35th WSOP related cash and ninth final table. All four of Robinson's gold rings have come at different properties on the Circuit. His first came in 2013 at Horseshoe Bossier City, his second came in 2014 at Caesars Palace, his third came in 2014 at Horseshoe S. Indiana and now his fourth here at Harrah's Cherokee.

Robinson's largest ever WSOP cash came at the 2014 National Championship. He finished 6th place for \$65,734.

The 35-year-old said that he intends to stay for the remainder of the series to play in the Main Event and possibly play a few more Circuit stops to make a run at earning a Global Casino Championship (previously known as the National Championship) seat. Robinson has played in the National Championship for three consecutive years and now hoping for a fourth. Robinson

said that he plans to head to the Choctaw series in January. Robinson has found a good amount of success at the property. He won the Casino Championship title there in 2013.

Event #6 was the sixth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at Harrah's Cherokee. The \$365 No-Limit Hold'em tournament attracted 380 players generating a \$114,000 prize pool. The top 45 players were paid.

Day 1 began Tuesday at 11 a.m. and lasted 21 levels. Day 2 began Wednesday at 2 p.m. with nine players remaining. The tournament concluded at about 7:00 p.m. Wednesday.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during the Harrah's Cherokee twelve combined gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP Global Casino 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 Global Casino 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 Harrah's Cherokee:

EVENT #1: Cody Pack defeated 2,712 players (\$365 NLHE Re-Entry) for \$117,991

EVENT #2: Stuart Moody defeated 396 players (\$365 NLHE Turbo) for \$26,135

EVENT #3: Roongsak Griffeth defeated 358 players (\$580 NLHE) for \$41,169

EVENT #4: Mike Kaczmarek defeated 427 players (\$365 NLHE 6-max) for \$29,462

EVENT #5: Brian McDaniel defeated 212 players (\$365 PLO) for \$15,900

EVENT #6: Andrew Robinson defeated 380 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$25,078

With the first six tournaments wrapped up, only six more ring events remain at the Harrah's Cherokee series.

All rings at Harrah's Cherokee are furnished by <u>Jostens</u>, the official ring supplier of the 2015-2016 WSOP Circuit season.

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