

2015/2016 World Series of Poker Circuit

Harrah's New Orleans

Event #1

No-Limit Holdem

Buy-In: \$365

Total Entries: 278

Total Prize Pool: \$83,400

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David Slaughter Wins Second WSOP Circuit Ring in 30 Days at Harrah's New Orleans

New Orleans (13 May 2016) – At the World Series of Poker Circuit at Harrah's New Orleans Monday night, David 'Rooster' Slaughter won not only the second Circuit ring of his career, but his second one in the last thirty days. He emerged victorious from a 278-entry field in Event #1: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em, earning \$20,018.

Players at the final table really had fun playing on Slaughter's last name. At one point when Slaughter was involved in a big hand, 5th place finisher Cord Garcia <http://www.wsop.com/tournaments/update/1A6M/cord-garcia-eliminated-in-5th-place-4966/> jokingly said to another player at the table after he had tank folded to Slaughter's raise, "Do you know what this guy's last name is? They don't call him Slaughter for nothing."

As mentioned above, this is not only Slaughter's second career Circuit ring victory, but his second in just under 30 days' time. Last month he took first in the Harrah's Cherokee Seniors' Event, earning his first ring and \$41,755. That brings his monthly combined WSOP Circuit earnings to \$61,773.

While Slaughter has been playing poker since he was a teenager, he used to play mainly cash games.

"When my dog died I decided to start playing tournaments. I had been wanting to, but then when my dog died, I had the freedom to do it," he paused for a few seconds before continuing, "He's here ridin' with me."

This is Slaughter's first time playing at Harrah's New Orleans. He plans to stay in New Orleans for the remainder of this series and plans on playing a few tournaments including the Seniors' and Main Events.

"I plan on playing the big one [Main Event]," he paused, "What, now that it's been financed and all," he said with a grin.

A few friends in the poker room requested that we refer to him by his nickname, Rooster in any articles/winner stories. When we asked Slaughter about it he said, "Sure, I don't mind. I guess I am getting a bit of a following. I better get on Tweeter..." he trailed off with a smile on his face.

Slaughter ended up winning Event #1 after his opponent Justin Brassieur shoved all in holding ace-eight off against Slaughter's king-jack off. The board ran out king-high eliminating Brassieur in 2nd place, and awarding the title of Event #1 Champion to Slaughter.

When asked about how it felt to win his second ring Slaughter responded, "I didn't think..." he trailed off as his eyes started to slightly tear up, "Of course I dreamed of it but...to do it is just unbelievable. It's a hell-of-a feeling."

Full results from this event are available on [WSOP.com](http://www.wsop.com).
<http://www.wsop.com/tournaments/results.asp?grid=1211&tid=14741>

At the conclusion of this event, David Slaughter now leads in the Casino Champion race. The player who accumulates the most overall points in the twelve gold ring tournaments at Harrah's New Orleans earns the title of Casino Champion and receives an automatic entry into the \$1 million 2016 WSOP Global Casino Championship. The winner of the Harrah's New Orleans Main Event earns an automatic entry to the Global Casino Championship as well. All players who cash in ring events will receive points that apply to both the Casino Champion race and the season-long race to claim one of the 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](http://www.wsop.com).

Here is the list of gold ring winners from Harrah's New Orleans so far:

EVENT #1: David Slaughter defeated 278 entries (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em Re-entry) for \$20,018.

With this tournament now wrapped up, there are still 11 more gold ring events before the WSOP Circuit at Harrah's New Orleans concludes on May 23.

All rings at Harrah's New Orleans are furnished by [Jostens](http://www.jostens.com), the official ring supplier of the 2015-2016 WSOP Circuit season.

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