

## **2016/2017 World Series of Poker Circuit**

### **Season 13**

**Planet Hollywood Casino**

**Las Vegas, NV**

**Event #5**

**No-Limit Hold'em**

**Buy-In: \$500 (+\$80)**

**Total Entries: 100**

**Prize Pool: \$50,000**

**August 30-31, 2016**



## **Sean Marshall Wins \$580 No-Limit Hold'em**

**California native comes to Vegas on a whim and wins \$14,997 and first ring.**

**Las Vegas, NV (August 31, 2016)** — Making decisions when you're on tilt, generally results in poor decisions and bad outcomes. Sean Marshall was tilting after busting out of a tournament in California and decided to fly to Vegas for a few of the World Series of Poker Circuit events at Planet Hollywood.

The decision proved to be useful for Marshall. He got off the plane and won the first tournament he played, besting a field of 100 players for \$14,997 in the \$580 no-limit hold'em event.

"It feels awesome man," said Marshall. "I was totally tilting. I had a huge stack in a \$1,000 buy-in with like \$75,000 up top and played like 12 hours and just dusted off a huge amount of chips. I was just like 'Ok, I'm just going to go out to Vegas. There's some tournaments going on out there and I'm just going to come and play.' That's how it happened. No joke."

Marshall was playing a smaller buy-in than he was in California, but he found himself at a much tougher final table than he would in most places.

Joining Marshall at the final table was bracelet winner Brent Hanks, four-time ring winner Josh Turner, and Cary Katz, who is a regular in the all of the high roller tournaments around the world. Katz's son, Sam Simmons, was also at the final table.

Marshall relished his time at the final table with such high caliber opponents.

"It was cool seeing those guys," said Marshall. "I've seen Cary on TV, obviously, and I had no idea what he was doing here at first, but it was a cool experience. Any time you get to play against a super high-stakes, super high-roller player and mix it up a little bit, it's really cool."

"He wasn't taking it super seriously, obviously, but it was a ton of fun and he was really nice to play with. I got to sit next to him at the final table and chop it up a little bit and talk a little bit. So yeah, it was a ton of fun."

Marshall lives in Northern California and over the last 18 months, he's been spending most of his time playing poker. He was working for a marketing agency that was bought out. He took his buy-out money and took some time away from work and spent more time at the poker table.

"I play mostly limit cash games and local tournaments that nobody tracks online or anything like that," said Marshall of his main games back home.

In two weeks, Marshall heads back to the office grind. He and his wife decided they are going to start a family and he's taken another job.

"I have about 10 days off between now and the first time I have to go back to work in about a year and a half," said Marshall. "I'm trying to squeeze some fun in at the same time and I'm really happy to scoop a tournament before going back to work."

The tournament was scheduled to finish in two days, but Marshall got heads-up with Todd Duplantis with about 30 minutes left in the last scheduled level of the day. The two players decided that they would rather play it out to completion. They played almost another two full levels before Marshall had taken it down. It was almost a 16-hour day of poker for Marshall.

"Thankfully Red Bull really helps," said Marshall. "But yeah, fatigue definitely plays a part when you are playing that long."

Along with the money and the ring, Marshall earned 50 points towards earning a spot in the Global Casino Championship. It moves him into a multi-way tie for second in the Casino Champion race for this stop.

This was the fifth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at Planet Hollywood. The \$580 no-limit hold'em event attracted 100 players. The total prize pool came to \$50,000 and the top 12 finishers were paid.

Cards got in the air on Tuesday, August 30 at noon and the final table was reached around 10:00 p.m. A winner was crowned in the early hours of Wednesday morning around 3:30 a.m. The duration of the final table lasted about 5.5 hours.

Here is the list of gold ring winners from Planet Hollywood:

EVENT #1: Hayden Aalvik defeated 556 players (\$365 NLH Re-Entry) for \$35,026

EVENT #2: Dale Beaudoin defeated 71 players (\$580 NLH) for \$12,071

EVENT #3: Vincent Moscati defeated 83 players (\$365 NLH) for \$7,968

EVENT #4: James Mink defeated 170 players (\$365 NLH Six-Max) for \$13,769

EVENT #5: Sean Marshall defeated 100 players (\$580 NLH) for \$14,997

The player who accumulates the most overall points during Planet Hollywood'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 the 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://WSOP.com).

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