

**2016/2017 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season 13
Harrah's Cherokee
Cherokee, North Carolina
Event #2
No-Limit Hold'em Turbo
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 449
Prize Pool: \$134,700
November 26, 2016**



Sergiu Nagit Takes Down Turbo Re-Entry for His First Gold Ring

In a quick, one-day event, Sergiu Nagit makes a debut final table appearance and comes away with his first Circuit gold ring.

Cherokee, North Carolina (November 27, 2016) – Sergiu Nagit won his first career gold ring in the wee hours of Sunday morning by defeating a field of 449 players in Event #2: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Turbo Re-Entry. The tournament featured a fast-paced structure with 20-minute levels, inevitably reaching completion in less than 24 hours.

Along with the sought-after gold ring, which Nagit had been chasing for the past few years, he also pocketed a top prize of \$29,633. This was, by far, Nagit's biggest cash to date, bringing his Circuit earnings to around \$40,000. Nagit replied with a smile when asked how it felt to achieve such a momentous, World Series of Poker milestone.

"Good, great; first final table and first ring," said Nagit

It was a dream finish for his debut, final table appearance. Only recently moving to the United States about five years ago, Nagit is originally from eastern Europe and has been pursuing poker on a part-time basis since the relocation. The, now, resident of Atlanta had a few other top-20 finishes before this victory, majority of which happened here at Harrah's Cherokee, his preferred Circuit stop.

Nagit has earned himself 50 points and an early lead in the Casino Champion race. He will look to continue his success at Harrah's Cherokee in the days to come. However, Nagit wants to choose his battles wisely, because not all tournaments are for him.

"I don't think I'm so lucky, too expensive for me," Nagit responded when asked if he would try his hand at the Main Event. "Let's see how I'm going to do tomorrow."

The relatively reserved Nagit opts to take things one day at a time, a good strategy when tackling the grind of tournament poker, or any elongated endeavor for that matter. But for now, he can bask in the glory of his recent triumph.

Event #2 was the second of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the Harrah's Cherokee series. The \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Turbo Re-Entry tournament attracted 449 players generating a \$134,700 prizepool. The top 45 players were paid.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during the Circuits twelve combined gold ring events earns the title of Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP Global Casino Championship set to take place at the end of the season.

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 the Harrah's Cherokee series:

EVENT #2: Sergiu Nagit defeated 449 players (\$365 NLHE Turbo) for \$29,633

This was the first gold ring handed out at the Harrah's Cherokee series. Eleven more gold rings and Circuit titles are still to come.

All rings at the Harrah's Cherokee series are furnished by Jostens, the official ring supplier of the 2016-2017 WSOP Circuit season.

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