2016/2017 World Series of Poker Circuit Season 13 Harrah's Cherokee Cherokee, North Carolina Event #12 No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry

Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65) Total Entries: 373 Prize Pool: \$111,900

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WSOP Gold Ring Number Five For Cody Pack

Cody Pack enters last event of the series, and walks away with a fifth Circuit title.

Cherokee, North Carolina (April 24, 2016) – Cody Pack captures his fifth World Series of Poker gold ring in the last tournament of the Harrah's Cherokee Circuit stop. The professional poker player outlasted 373 entries in Event #12: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry, which took two days to complete. Pack was the last man standing after a tough heads-up matchup against Jesse Cohen.

"Jesse was an amazing player. He absolutely had me dogged in the beginning. I mean, I couldn't beat the guy," said Pack. "Then, we go on break and come back... and everything turned around."

The momentum shift was enough to bring Pack to the final moment of triumph. This was the third title Pack has achieved at Harrah's Cherokee. His last gold-ring victory, and biggest score to date (\$117,991), was at the property in November of 2015.

"I mean, I hit four pretty quick, three in one season," Pack reminisced "You know, I'm just trying to make enough to survive and stay in business."

Pack's business is cards and he is certainly good at his job. The 41-year-old has been playing poker full time since September of 2015. Even with a fairly young career, he already holds claim to an impressive résumé.

Not only does Pack have five gold rings, he boasts just over \$460,000 in WSOP earnings. The husband, and father, attributes his success to his family.

"I want to thank my wife and my family for all the support. Because without her taking care of the little ones, getting it done, I couldn't go out and do this," Pack explained.

Pack mentioned he was supposed to be home Monday, but bagging for Day 2 of Event #12 overlapped his travel plans. However, it worked out well for Pack. Staying, and winning \$24,622, along with gold number five is quite the justification.

The resident of Cartersville, Georgia added 50 Casino Championship points to his total. He has now accumulated 13 cashes, worth 157.5 points total, during the 2016/17 Circuit tour. Pack's sum should lock up an automatic bid to the Global Casino Championship in August.

Event #12 was the twelfth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the Harrah's Cherokee series. The \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry tournament attracted 373 players generating a \$111,900 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 #1: Bryan Carter defeated 3,196 players (\$365 NLHE Re-Entry) for \$165,400

EVENT #2: John Nelson defeated 612 players (\$365 NLHE Doule Stack Turbo) for \$38,560

EVENT #3: Jessie Bryant defeated 595 players (\$580 NLHE Re-Entry) for \$62,476

EVENT #4: Robert Hankins defeated 594 players (\$365 NLHE Six Max) for \$43,662

EVENT #5: David Chapman defeated 334 players (\$365 PLO Re-Entry) for \$23,051

EVENT #6: Ron Germany defeated 635 players (\$365 NLHE 8 Max 30 Min Levels) for \$41,914

EVENT #7: Ricardo Eyzaguirre defeated 1,446 players (\$365 NLHE Monster Stack) for \$74,853

EVENT #8: David Aker defeated 301 players (\$1,125 NLHE) for \$70,731

EVENT #9: Chase Blanton defeated 402 players (\$365 NLHE Turbo) for \$26,533

EVENT #11: John Wilder defeated 528 players (\$365 NLHE Turbo) for \$34,055

EVENT #12: Cody Pack defeated 373 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$24,622

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

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

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