



WSOP CIRCUIT 2017-18 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Horseshoe Southern Indiana (Elizabeth, Ind.)	Date:	2 October 2017
Event:	No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry	Entries:	640
Buy-in:	\$365	Prizepool:	\$191,966

ROSS WARD WINS RE-ENTRY EVENT FOR 1ST GOLD RING

Aspiring law student secures sizable score from re-entry conquest.

After three days of tournament poker at the World Series of Poker Circuit stop at Horseshoe Southern Indiana, it was Ross Ward standing atop the popular, re-entry event. The Georgia native, outlasted a field of 640 entrants in Event #2: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry to win his first career gold ring and a sizable sum of \$39,360.

The tournament featured two separate starting flights, which was followed up by an extensive Day 2 contest. Ward made his way through Flight A, bagging a respectable stack. From there he went into the final day with a one-track mentality.

"I was playing to win. That was my only thought... get to the final table and then play to win, don't play to latter," Ward expressed.

Ward's strategy was fulfilled when as he raked in the last pot of the tournament around 3:00 a.m., Monday morning. When asked how he kept up his focus during the long, and late, hours of player, Ward provided a response.

"Your heart starts to go a little bit. You get a little buzz, especially when you're about three handed," said Ward. "The focus kind of comes. The adrenaline was definitely kicking in."

Ultimately, Ward's concentration carried him right into the winner's circle. The 26-year-old is fairly new to the WSOP, but has already found some success. During the most recent presidential election is when Ward got his start in poker.

“Well, I actually worked for the GOP out in Nevada, for the campaign; played poker on the side,” Ward explained. “Had a little luck with the poker. Said let’s give it a shot for a couple years and hopefully pay for Law School.”

Set out with a goal in mind, Ward has unquestionably helped his cause during his full-time stint in the poker realm. The resident of Gainesville, Georgia has accumulated a fair share of poker winnings in the recent years, including a few cashes at the 48th annual WSOP in Las Vegas this past summer.

Moreover, the nearly \$40,000 purse from his recent triumph is sure to aid in his educational aspirations. Ward plans to attend Mercer University for Law School next year.

MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

Name:	Ross Ward	Age:	26
Nationality:	USA	Profession:	Poker Pro – Aspiring Laws Student
Birthplace:	Gainesville, Ga.	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	Gainesville, Ga.	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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