



WSOP CIRCUIT 2017-18 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop: Seminole Casino (Coconut
Creek, FL)
Event: No-Limit Hold'em 1-Day
Buy-in: \$400

Date: 13 September 2018
Entries: 243
Prizepool: \$80,190

JOHN DEPERSIO WINS SECOND RING IN \$400 NO-LIMIT HOLD'EM

*Local entrepreneur and poker enthusiast scores second career ring in opening event of
Coconut Creek stop.*

John DePersio only has three cashes in his World Series of Poker Circuit career, but he's made them count. He earned his third cash in the early hours of Friday morning by winning the \$400 no-limit hold'em single-day event.

The local business owner defeated a field of 243 entries and Rodney Moret-Rojas heads-up to win \$19,649 and his second Circuit title. Of his three career cashes in Circuit play, the 29-year-old Parkland, FL resident has three final tables and two victories.

"I'm overwhelmed. I played great and caught some pretty big hands," said DePersio after his win. "I'm just very grateful that I have my cousin here supporting me and stuff, but I'm excited about this whole series."

DePersio started the final table with the chip lead and played aggressive throughout. At one point, with seven players remaining, he had half of the chips in play. It wasn't all smooth sailing, but DePersio seemed to be the favorite from the moment the final table was set.

"I mean, I had some bumps in the road," said DePersio. "The second hand in, I doubled somebody up for 500K and I had to grind my way back. I got pretty luck a couple of times, but you know, that's poker."

With the responsibilities of owning a business, he doesn't get to travel for poker very often. Instead, he opts to stay locally and play most of the events in the South Florida area. The Circuit, however, have yielded the best results.

"For some reason, the Circuit events, I don't know if they are softer fields, but for some reason, they're really good to me. Really good to me."

During the final table, he mentioned that while he was looking to earn a win, what he really wanted was a seat into the Global Casino Championship. Without being able to travel to many of the other stops around the country, winning the Casino Champion crown at this stop might be his best bet for securing the spot in that event.

He took an early lead with 50 points and plans on playing many more events to try and extend that lead.

"I'm going to be playing every event. You guys will be seeing me."

MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

Name: John DePersio
Nationality: American
Birthplace: Parkland, FL
Current Residence: Parkland, FL

Age: 29
Profession: Entrepreneur
WSOP Bracelets: 0
Previous WSOP Circuit Rings: 1

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