



2010-2011 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season Seven
Harrah's Resort Atlantic City
Ring Event #1
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: \$350
Total Entries: 1,250
Total Prize Pool: \$363,750
December 4-5, 2010

Final Results:

<u>Place</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Prize</u>
1	Christopher	Rivers	Atlanta	GA	\$64,566
2	Matthew	Diggs	Edgewood	MD	\$40,013
3	Joslyn	Greg	Milford	PA	\$29,366
4	Ryan	Moylan	Hauppauge	NY	\$22,189
5	Jason	Alexander	Bellport	NY	\$16,933
6	Don	Huang	Leesburg	VA	\$13,033
7	Gregory	Spurdis	Staten Island	NY	\$10,149
8	Geoffrey	Desobry	Bethesda	MD	\$7,995
9	Chao	Lin	Hicksville	NY	\$6,373
10	Charles	Geier	Sunnyside	NY	\$5,136
11	David	Kilcoyne	Churchville	PA	\$5,136
12	Charles	Cox	Stem	NC	\$5,136
13	Yared	Tessema	Alexandria	VA	\$4,187
14	David	Cleveland	Devon	PA	\$4,187
15	Alexander	Rocha	South Setauket	NY	\$4,187
16	Boris	Kromas	West Orange	NJ	\$3,452
17	Phillippe	Casciola	New York	NY	\$3,452
18	Joseph	Cramer	Gardners	PA	\$3,452
19	Will	Souther	Biloxi	MS	\$2,877
20	John	Nguyen	Piscataway	NJ	\$2,877
21	Dominick	Lopresti	Randolph	NJ	\$2,877
22	Raymond	Francis	Bogata	NJ	\$2,423
23	Ian	Silverman	Millburn	NJ	\$2,423
24	Jordan	Rutsky	New York	NY	\$2,423
25	Matt	Cohen	Somersdale	NJ	\$2,062
26	Joseph	Si	Flushing	NY	\$2,062
27	Kam	Chin	Brooklyn	NY	\$2,062
28	Marcella	Keene	Maplewood	NJ	\$1,775
29	Agustin	Mendez	Absecon	NJ	\$1,775
30	Hamid	Kashvar	Seafore	NY	\$1,775
31	Armstead	Brownson	Oxon Hill PG	MD	\$1,542
32	Travis	Stone	Norfolk	VA	\$1,542
33	Paul	Ciaranitaro	Washington	DC	\$1,542
34	Geoffrey	Frank	Lincoln Park	NJ	\$1,357
35	Vinny	Pahuja	Hicksville	NY	\$1,357
36	Ramon	Sanchez	Plainsboro	NJ	\$1,357
37	Robert	Noel	Johnstown	PA	\$1,204

38	Young	Oh	Flushing	NY	\$1,204
39	Jeff	Vanchiro	Brooklyn	NY	\$1,204
40	Ed	Shea	Columbus	OH	\$1,204
41	Brian	Mowrey	Dubois	PA	\$1,204
42	Rohan	Singh	Ozone Park	NY	\$1,204
43	Yu	Wei	New York	NY	\$1,204
44	Jeremy	Schwartz	Philadelphia	PA	\$1,204
45	Murphy	Michael	Cary	NC	\$1,204
46	Ed	Bruton	Avenel	NJ	\$1,080
47	Stuart	Mcclanahan	Front Royal	VA	\$1,080
48	Evan	Nagasue	Demarest	NJ	\$1,080
49	Mark	Maddux	Glen Burnie	MD	\$1,080
50	Ivan	Loh	Rockville	MD	\$1,080
51	Mike	Collette	Galloway Twp	NY	\$1,080
52	William	Braden	Toms River	NJ	\$1,080
53	Michael	Sliman	Upper Darby	PA	\$1,080
54	Nicholas	Guagenti	Westerville	OH	\$1,080
55	Michael	Alvini	Newark	DE	\$978
56	Barak	Zaken	Brooklyn	NY	\$978
57	Robert	Nguyen	New York	NY	\$978
58	Dan	Marcus	Merrick	NY	\$978
59	Adam	Schlain	Newport News	VA	\$978
60	Kyle	Carlston	Las Vegas	NV	\$978
61	Maricn	Podbielski	Bellrose	NY	\$978
62	Robert	Green	Richmond	VA	\$978
63	Christopher	Daleyander	Haymarket	VA	\$978
64	Greg	Morgen	Hi-Nella	NJ	\$895
65	Trevor	Deeter	Philadelphia	PA	\$895
66	Mario	Damiao	North Arlington	NJ	\$895
67	Matt	Kaufman	Lewistown	PA	\$895
68	Ken	Smith	Brigantine	NJ	\$895
69	David	Cherry	West Chester	PA	\$895
70	Tony	Sabbagh	Blue Point	NY	\$895
71	Joseph	Lauletta	Brigantine	NJ	\$895
72	In	Min	Severn	MD	\$895
73	Margaret	Bruton	Rahway	NJ	\$822
74	Nadir	Babck	Mechanicville	NY	\$822
75	Albert	Riccobono	Ossining	NY	\$822
76	Kevin	Murphy	Highland Mills	NY	\$822
77	Chad	McCall	Washington	DC	\$822
78	Christian	Curry	Lewistown	PA	\$822
79	John	Jones	Spotsylvania	VA	\$822
80	William	Ryan	Middleton	NJ	\$822
81	Robert	Feld	Brooklyn	NY	\$822
82	Douglas	Beckman	Parkville	MA	\$757
83	B	Garriel	Fords	NJ	\$757
84	Scott	Gullett	Prospect	NY	\$757
85	Ken	Farmer	Alexander	VA	\$757
86	Jules	Bui	Fairfax	VA	\$757
87	Jason	Liberman	Toronto		\$757
88	Rajir	Khanwa	Floral Park	NY	\$757
89	Chris	Albanese	New York	NY	\$757
90	Pat	Cutaid	Islip Terrace	NY	\$757
91	Danny	Britt	Bronx	NY	\$695
92	Aronson	Marc	Manalapan	NJ	\$695
93	David	Takash	Alpharetta	GA	\$695
94	Christopher	Carlson	Kennewick	WA	\$695
95	Mariust	Sobzzak	Philadelphia	PA	\$695
96	James	Duncan	Woodsboro	MD	\$695
97	Daniel	Dizenzo	Sussex	NJ	\$695

98	Johnson	Nguyen	Philadelphia	PA	\$695
99	Daniel	Bailey	Parkville	MD	\$695
100	Jose	Silverman	San Juan	PR	\$640
101	Kristopher	Bradshaw	Scottville	MI	\$640
102	Takailuki	Nakada	Bergenfield	NJ	\$640
103	Dylan	Snowberger	New Enterprise	PA	\$640
104	Thomas	Gropf	Levittown	NY	\$640
105	Kevin	Pace	Hasbrook Heights	NJ	\$640
106	Alan	Ginsberg	Morristown	NJ	\$640
107	Luis	Madera	Bronx	NY	\$640
108	Vincent	Geraci	Egg Harbor Twp	NJ	\$640
109	Robert	Willis	Bellmawr	NJ	\$589
110	Erik	Baranaskas	Northport	NY	\$589
111	Justin	Sternberg	New York	NY	\$589
112	Casey	Bouldin	Middletown	DE	\$589
113	Dionysuis	Bass	Yonkers	NY	\$589
114	Adam	Lippert	Brooklyn	NY	\$589
115	Daniel	Fox	Clarksville	MD	\$589
116	Beth	Gray	Baltimore	MD	\$589
117	Jerry	Hill	Rocky Mount	ND	\$589
118	Thomas	Millwood	Rocky Mount	NC	\$542
119	Mark	Dambrosio	Nutley	NJ	\$542
120	Robert	Voorhis	Kaneohe Bay	HI	\$542
121	Gregory	Rudolph	Oceanside	NY	\$542
122	Souvanh	Vilayvanh	Mays Landing	NJ	\$542
123	Chris	Kozonko	Huntingtown	MD	\$542
124	Joseph	Kontra	Barstow	MD	\$542
125	Tam Chi	Ly	Lansdale	PA	\$542
126	Christoph	Repetti	Saddlebrook	NJ	\$542
127	Robert	Ramsay	Kew Gardens	NY	\$542
128	Robert	Duerr	Lake Grove	NY	\$542
129	Russell	Scibetti	Edison	NJ	\$542
130	John	Campbell	Hummelstown	PA	\$542
131	Brian	Reardon	Voorhees	NJ	\$542
132	Donald	Frick	Midlotgthian	VA	\$542
133	Norman	Merritt	Rock Hill	SC	\$542
134	Brian	Grogan	Glendale	NY	\$542
135	Michael	Dees	Levittown	PA	\$542

Christopher Rivers Wins WSOP Circuit Event #1 at Harrah's Resort Atlantic City

Series Opener Breaks Harrah's AC Circuit Record with 1,250 Players

ATLANTIC CITY, NJ – The first of 11 official ring events scheduled for this year's Circuit at Harrah's Resort Atlantic City concluded late Sunday night. The winner was Christopher Rivers, a 24-year-old network engineer from Atlanta, GA.

1,250 total entrants each put up the \$350 buy-in for the No Limit Hold'em event, generating a total prize pool of \$363,750. The event was the largest Harrah's Atlantic City History, exceeding the resort's previous record of 1,181 players set at its 2008 WSOP Circuit opening event.

Indeed, this year's revamped WSOPC format has proven to be a success through each of the stops so far on the 2010/2011 season.

"We're really excited for having set this record," said Harrah's Resort AC poker director, John Arthur. "We got it right this year with the structures and everything else we have put into place for the Circuit and hope to continue having great numbers through the rest of the series."

While the majority of the field consisted of players from along the east coast, players from all around the country converged in the Ballroom at Harrah's, the venue for Circuit Events. Including them was Rivers, who along with a friend, made the 14-hour, 800-mile drive north from Atlanta just so they could play in the one event at Harrah's AC.

With the optimized structures and increased attendance, it was no surprise that 95 players returned for day two, which began at 1pm. After more than eight hours, the final table was set.

Name	Hometown	Seat	Chip Count
Don Huang	Leesburg, VA	1	2,765,000
Matthew Diggs	Edgewood, MD	2	610,000
Geoff Desobry	Bethesda, MD	3	1,160,000
Chao Lin	Hicksville, NY	4	1,200,000
Ryan Moylan	Hauppauge, NY	5	1,700,000
Christopher Rivers	Atlanta, GA	6	670,000
Jason "Bear" Alexander	Bellport, NY	7	1,645,000
Gregory Spurdis	Staten Island, NY	8	845,000
Greg Joslyn	Milford, PA	9	2,000,000

9th Place – Final table play began at 10:40 pm with blinds at 20,000/40,000 and 5,000 antes. After an hour of play, Chao Lin was the first player to be eliminated after moving all-in from the hijack seat with A-J off. Jason Alexander (not of Seinfeld fame) called and turned over A-K suited. Alexander's kicker held through an ace on the flop and blanks on the turn and river to send Lin to the payout table. Ninth place paid \$6,372.

8th Place –Matthew Diggs made it 160k to go, prompting Geoff Desobry to move all in for just over half a million. It was a toss up between Diggs' pocket tens and Desobry's [As][Qh]. Desobry fell far behind after Diggs flopped a set. The queen on the river would have been a godsend for Desobry in any other situation, but in the current one, marked the end of his tournament run. The 59-year-old from Bethesda, MD pocketed \$7,995 for his finish.

7th Place – The most critical hand of the night developed after Don Huang raised UTG to 150k. Christopher Rivers and Gergory Spurdis both came along and the three players saw a flop of [8d][8c][Qs]. The flop was checked around and a [7s] hit the turn. Spurdis moved all-in for just over 1.5 million before Huang shoved for about half a million more. Ryan Moylan called as well with his all 1.6 million of his chips.

It was an incredible three-way showdown with Huang showing [2c][8s] for flopped trips, a flopped boat for Rivers who showed pocket queens, and a river flush draw for Spurdis, who turned over [Ks][9s]. The river, the [9h], sent Spurdis to the rail and crippled Huang, the former chip leader, down to 320k. The timely bit of run good catapulted Rivers to over 5.4 million. Spurdis, a 47-year-old electrician from Staten Island, took home \$10,148 for seventh.

A few hands later, Rivers laid claim to the remainder of Huang's stack in an all-in with pocket 10's vs. Huang's pocket pair of nines. It was a disappointing sixth place finish for Huang, which paid out \$13,033.

5th Place – After down to only a few blinds, Ryan Moylan staged a comeback, doubling through Rivers to over 600k and picking up another half million from Diggs. A few hands later, he made it 200k to go pre-flop before Jason Alexander moved all-in with pocket 8's for about 1.3 million. Rivers was happy to oblige with his pocket pair of kings. The board was no help to Alexander and he was eliminated, leaving Rivers with just below four million. Alexander or "Bear" as he is known affectionately by friends and family is a 44-year-old truck driver from Bellport, NY. The married father of five collected \$16,932 for his two-day effort.

4th Place – Along with Moylan, Diggs also ascended up the chip ladder, having gone from 800k to over 4 million in just over an hour. The two eventually clashed in a decisive pot in which Diggs raised pre-flop to 375k and Moylan

moved over the top for about 1.5 million more. Diggs called with pocket queens, leaving Moylan needing help for his pocket jacks. The king-high board did nothing to improve the 31-year-old's hand, ending his run. Fourth paid \$22,188. Diggs now had about a 3-1 chip lead over his remaining opponents with over 6.5 million.

3rd Place – Greg Joslyn, a 30-year-old aspiring poker pro from Middletown, CT, was the third place finisher. All-in, his [Ks][Jc] failed to improve over Rivers' [Ad][6d]. Third place was worth \$17,256.

2nd Place – Heads up play between Diggs and Rivers began shortly after 3:00 am with blinds and antes at 50,000/100,000/20,000 and both players even in chips. The decisive hand came on a [6c][5s][4c] flop after which Diggs raised Rivers' 200k bet all-in. Rivers eventually made the call and showed pocket jacks. Diggs showed [2s][4h], leaving him needing help on the turn and river.

A queen and ten were no help and Diggs was left with 700k. The final hand came shortly after with Diggs outkicked all-in with K-10 to Rivers' K-Q. Rivers' hand held through the river and a Circuit Event champion was made. For his win, Rivers collected \$64,565, the coveted WSOP Circuit Gold Ring and 50 points toward the Circuit National Championship to be held at Caesars Palace Las Vegas in May. Diggs, a 27-year-old from Edgewood, MD earned \$23,654.

"The last couple of times I limped, he raised," Rivers recounted of the hand that crippled Diggs. "So I decided to limp with Jacks, and though I hoped he would play me aggressive after the flop, was worried about him drawing out on me, but I eventually called."

"Oh man, this is great, I'm very excited," he said.

See the complete Harrah's Resort Atlantic City Circuit schedule and previous results [here](#). The WSOP Circuit at Harrah's runs through December 22nd. You can find the complete [2010/2011 WSOP CIRCUIT SCHEDULE](#) here.

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