



2011-2012 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season Eight
IP Casino Resort and Spa
Event #1 No-Limit Hold'em
Final Report
Buy-In: \$345
Total Entries: 272
Total Prize Pool: \$79,152
October 27-28, 2011

WSOP CIRCUIT RETURNS TO GULF COAST

Randall Goodner Wins Event #1 at IP Biloxi. Gets First Circuit Ring.

Biloxi, MS (October 29, 2011) — For the second consecutive year, IP Casino Resort and Spa in Biloxi is playing host to the World Series of Poker Circuit and the finest poker players the South has to offer.

The casino resort is newly remodeled and features 1,088 rooms and over 70,000 square feet of gaming space. In 2005, Studio B, a ballroom located on the second floor and the location of the current WSOPC events, took on over nine feet of flooding in the wake of hurricane Katrina. Now, six years later, it's dressed to the nines with 60 poker tables eagerly awaiting poker's next champions to take their seats.

Needless to say, the WSOPC is in full swing on Mississippi's Gulf Coast.

Two days ago, 272 entrants put up the \$345 buy-in for a chance at a piece of the \$79,152 prize pool in Event #1. When the dust settled, one man stood at the top — Randall Goodner.

Goodner is 34-years-old and splits his professional life between poker and real estate investments, though in light of recent economic conditions, says he only exhausts about 25 percent of his efforts on the latter. He lives in Atlanta, Georgia, and spends much of his time in Biloxi where he is a regular at the cash game tables. He is a graduate of the University of Georgia and says the skills he picked up studying psychology have helped him succeed on the poker table.

This was Goodner's first significant live tournament victory and he earned \$18,647 for his finish. His heads-up battle found him matched up against none other than 2010 November 9 participant, and close friend of, John Dolan. The pair battled it out for the better part of two hours before a winner was crowned.

When play began on Day 2, 21 players remained and it was anybody's ball game. A final table was reached within the first three hours of play, and the players stacked up as follows:

Final Table:

Seat 1	Randall Goodner	Atlanta, GA	375,000
Seat 2	Kirk McKenzie	Omaha, NE	145,000
Seat 3	Randolph Reynolds	Jacksonville, FL	395,000
Seat 4	Mark Rose	Orlando, FL	360,000
Seat 5	Joe De Luna	San Antonio, TX	243,000

Seat 6	Peter Mavro	Las Vegas, NV	187,000
Seat 7	John Dolan	Bonita Springs, FL	304,000
Seat 8	Darrell Greene	Macon, GA	248,000
Seat 9	Bryant Lipscomb	Fayetteville, AR	476,000

Ninth Place: Kirk McKenzie, from Omaha, Nebraska, is a stock trader with a poker resume that includes second and 19th place finishes. His ninth place finish in Event #1 awarded him \$1,713.

Eighth Place: Joe De Luna is a first-time WSOPC casher. He is a retired 70-year-old from San Antonio, Texas and finished in eighth place when he moved all-in with Queen Ten versus the Queen Jack of Lipscomb on a Queen-high board. De Luna never improved and he received \$2,147 for his finish.

Seventh Place: Bryant Lipscomb earned \$2,732 for his seventh place finish. He is 60-years-old and works in sales. This was his second WSOPC cash and second final table and he won the Seniors Event (non-ring) at Bossier City earlier this year.

Sixth Place: No stranger to the WSOP Circuit, Mark Rose is a professional poker player with seven cashes and over \$125,000 in career earnings with the WSOP. His sixth-place finish was good for \$3,531.

Fifth Place: Peter Mavro (Las Vegas, Nevada) made his third final table appearance and recorded his fourth cash of the 2011-2012 WSOP Circuit tour with his fifth-place finish. He is 32-years-old and now has 18 career cashes on the WSOPC. He earned \$4,633.

Fourth Place: This was Darrell Greene's first WSOPC cash. He is 43-years-old and lives in Macon, Georgia. His fourth place finish paid him \$6,177.

Third Place: Randolph Reynolds earned \$8,373 for his third place finish. He hails from Jacksonville, Florida where he works as a professional poker player. This was his first WSOPC cash and first final table.

Second Place: John Dolan and Randall Goodner played a back-and-forth battle that didn't want to see either player hit the rail. While still four-handed, Dolan made it 42,000 from the button with [Ac][Ad]. When the action folded around to Goodner he raised to 142,000 with [Kc][Jc] and Dolan re-raised all-in for 295,000 more. After some time in the tank, Goodner called and saw the bad news. Neither player improved their hand and Dolan surpassed the 900,000 chip mark while Goodner's stack took a severe hit.

Only a few hands later, on a flop of [Ac][6s][3s], the action checked around to Dolan on the button and he bet 47,000. Goodner moved all-in for 319,000 total and the other player in the pot folded. Dolan muttered, "Some day I'll learn to check back with this hand," before he made the call. Goodner sheepishly turned over [7d][6d] for one pair, but surprisingly, was ahead of the 10-high spade flush draw of Dolan. Goodner faded Dolan's outs and the two were about even again.

Heads-up, in what turned out to be the final hand of the night, with the blinds at 15,000/30,000 and a 5,000 chip ante, Goodner made it 60,000 from the button with [6h][2c] and Dolan called. The flop came out [Td][4c][3c] and Dolan checked. When Goodner bet 80,000, Dolan called. The turn paired the board with the [3h] and Dolan checked. Goodner kept his foot on the gas pedal and bet out 110,000 before Dolan re-raised his bet to 245,000. Goodner moved all-in with his gut-shot straight draw in hopes Dolan would fold, but fourth street gave Dolan trip threes and he called, turning over [As][3s] and leaving Goodner dead to the four remaining fives left in the deck. As we've seen so many times at the poker table, the dealer did the unthinkable by unveiling the [5c] on the river to give Goodner the winning straight and his first WSOPC gold ring.

Dolan earned \$11,540 for his second-place finish.

Dolan had a 2010 that would make even the most elite poker pros blush. With two WSOP final tables, including an appearance in the November Nine, Dolan earned almost \$2 million that year. This was his 11th WSOP cash and fourth final table. He is a 25-year-old professional poker player from Bonita Springs, Florida.

Winner Interview:

This is your first right. What's going through your head right now? — "It took a second for everything to sink in. I didn't like my play there at the very end, but it definitely worked out for me and John is such a tough player. We play a lot of cash games. I've talked to him a lot about living in Vegas and traveling over the last couple years."

What are you going to say to him the next time you see him? — "I'm sorry. The most sincere apology I can give him without sounding condescending. It was great playing with him. We play a lot together."

Does the ring represent a sort of validation of all of your efforts on the poker table? — "Absolutely. I would definitely want to get (a ring) instead of winning something else at a different tournament. World Series of Poker Circuit rings are just the beginning to move on to the bracelet. I'm so glad you guys are doing this, it's incredible and I'm glad to be here."

WSOPC events at IP will run through November 7, with the \$1,600 Re-Entry Main Event beginning November 5.

Final Results:

<u>FINISH</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>HOMETOWN</u>	<u>PRIZE</u>
1	Randall Goodner	ATLANTA, GA, US	\$18,647
2	John Dolan	BONITA SPRINGS, FL, US	\$11,540
3	Randolph Reynolds	JACKSONVILLE, FL, US	\$8,373
4	Darrelle Greene	MACON, GA, US	\$6,177
5	Peter Mavro	LAS VEGAS, NV, US	\$4,633
6	Mark Rose	ORLANDO, FL, US	\$3,531
7	Bryant Lipscomb	FORT SMITH, AR, US	\$2,732
8	Joe Deluna	SAN ANTONIO, TX, US	\$2,147
9	Kirk Mckenzie	OMAHA, NE, US	\$1,713
10	Doug Campbell	COLDWATER, MS, US	\$1,387
11	Gordon Hardy	OCEAN SPRINGS, MS, US	\$1,387
12	Wilbur Trippe	BILOXI, MS, US	\$1,387
13	Stephen Russell	Houston, TX, US	\$1,140
14	Sean Renaud	NEWNAN, GA, US	\$1,140
15	Raymond Mathis	ALABASTER, AL, US	\$1,140
16	Andrew Meibaum	METAIRIE, LA, US	\$950
17	Jason Bullock	PEARLAND, TX, US	\$950
18	Samuel Driver	GAINESVILLE, TX, US	\$950
19	Fredrick Smith	LOGANVILLE, GA, US	\$803
20	Steven Perlman	ATLANTA, GA, US	\$803
21	Billy Linard	OAKMAN, AL, US	\$803
22	William Murphy	JACKSON, MS, US	\$689
23	Joseph Joiner	SENECA, SC, US	\$689
24	Earl Merritt	PONDER, TX, US	\$689
25	Vivian Harrington	POPLARVILLE, MS, US	\$598
26	Mohammad Moeini	GULFPORT, MS, US	\$598
27	Richard Dodge	GULFPORT, MS, US	\$598
28	David Dowdy	BALL GROUND, GA, US	\$527
29	Dajuan Whorley	ACCOKEEK, MD, US	\$527
30	Jonathan Holloway	CHEROKEE VILLAGE, AR, US	\$527

This is the first of 12 ring events slated to take place at IP Biloxi Casino Resort and Spa. Winners of all events will receive first-place prize money and the coveted WSOP Circuit ring. In addition, the winner of the Main Event will receive a seat to the \$1 million Circuit National Championship in Las Vegas. An additional seat will be awarded to the individual who earns the most Circuit points at this stop.

The WSOP Circuit Events at IP Biloxi Casino Resort and Spa continue through November 7. The Main Event will take place November 5.

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