

2011-2012 World Series of Poker Circuit Season Eight Harrah's Philadelphia Event #2

No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry

**Buy-In:** \$345

**Total Entries: 395** 

Total Prize Pool: \$114,945

April 27 - 29, 2012

### **Final Results:**

<u>Finish</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Prize</u>
1	Douglas McGlothlin	Felton, DE	\$25,279
2	Jonathan Sorscher	Lynbrook, NY	\$15,627
3	John Alfera	Arnold, PA	\$11,448
4	Joshua Stewart	West Chester, PA	\$8,500
5	Adam Cook	Pasadena, MD	\$6,409
6	Eliezer Gonzalez	Dulles, VA	\$4,906
7	Joseph Liberta	Berlin, NJ	\$3,810
8	Ilya Soyfer	Morganville, NJ	\$3,001
9	Mario Rodriguez	Wilkes Barre, PA	\$2,397
10	Christopher Lim	Bronx, NY	\$1,941
11	Christopher Butler	Rockville, MD	\$1,941
12	Charles Moore	Las Vegas, NV	\$1,941
13	Jeffrey Albaugh	Perry Hall, MA	\$1,593
14	Tsung Lu	Las Vegas, NV	\$1,593
15	Philip Feldman	Philadelphia, PA	\$1,593
16	Terrell Deen	Kernersville, NC	\$1,325
17	Ricardo Franco	Philadelphia, PA	\$1,325
18	Ryan Gentry	La Jolla, CA	\$1,325
19	Edward Lawson	Melbourne, FL	\$1,117
20	Brent Carter	Oak Park, IL	\$1,117
21	Michael Fulginiti	Philadelphia, PA	\$1,117
22	Conrad Monica	Hemet, CA	\$953
23	John Delrossi	Mantua, NJ	\$953
24	Anthony Erekat	Lodi, NJ	\$953
25	Robert Barile	Verona, NJ	\$824
26	Andrew Higgins	Sacramento, CA	\$824
27	Ravi Dalsania	Summit Bridge, DE	\$824
28	Chris Back	Vancouver, BC	\$721
29	Heung Yoon	Woodbridge, VA	\$721
30	Ryan Tepen	Chesterfield, MO	\$721
31	Brandon Fish	Kearney, NE	\$640
32	Marshall Frith	Arlington, VA	\$640
33	Gianni Arcuri	Us,	\$640
34	Kenneth Milam	La Place, LA	\$574
35	Leo Whitt	Louisville, KY	\$574
36	Daryl Boatwright	Sicklerville, NJ	\$574
37	Jesus German	New York, NY	\$521
38	Douglas Conant	Sutton, WV	\$521
39	Eric Waff	Chester, VA	\$521
40	Gordon Eng	Cliffside Park, NJ	\$521
41	David Nager	Gladwyne, PA	\$521
42	Eric Johnson	Brooklyn, NY	\$521
43	Christopher Denight	Philadelphia, PA	\$521
44	Travis Greenawalt	Landisville, PA Cheverly, MD	\$521
45	Timothy Little		\$521

# US Marine Storms 395-Player Field en route to Victory at Harrah's Philadelphia

## Douglas McGlothlin II takes home \$25,279 1<sup>st</sup> Place Prize Money and the Gold Ring in WSOPC Event #2

World Series of Poker Circuit Event action continued through the weekend at Harrah's Philadelphia with the conclusion of Ring Event #2.

The winner was Douglas McGlothlin II, a 30-year-old Marine from nearby Felton, DE. McGlothlin beat out 394 opponents in the three-day event to take home \$25,279 first place prize money and the coveted WSOP Circuit Gold Ring.

The 395 entries in WSOP Circuit Ring Event #2 represent one of the largest tournament fields in Pennsylvania's short poker history. In January, 2010 PA legislators legalized table games, paving the way for live poker in the state.

The same event held last year at Harrah's Philadelphia, formally known as Harrah's Chester, drew 244 entries. This year's tournament represents a 62% increase. It should be noted that last year's tournament was a Thursday-start event while this year's event began on a Friday. However, this year's attendance so far at the WSOP Circuit Events at Harrah's Philadelphia through the same four starting days is up 19% over last year.

With the sizable field, play continued though its planned three-day structure, concluding at daybreak on Monday.

Two starting fields in the \$345 buy-in, No-Limit Hold'em Re-entry event were held on Friday and Saturday. 50 players returned Sunday at 2pm. Incredibly, it took almost two more hours to get down to the final table than it did for the final ten to finish battling it out.

Name	Hometown	Seat	Chip Count
Eli Gonzalez	Virginia Beach, VA	1	408,000
Mario Rodriguez	Wilkes-Barre, PA 2		252,000
Adam Cook	Glen Burnie, PA	3	570,000
Jonathan Sorscher	Lynbrook, NY	4	595,000
Christopher Lim	Bronx, NY	5	373,000
Ilya Soyfer	Lausdale, PA	6	511,000
John Alfera	Pittsburgh, PA	7	341,000
Douglas McGlothlin II	Felton, DE	8	200,000
Joseph Liberta	Berlin, NJ	9	313,000
Josh Stewart	West Chester, PA	10	369,000

**10th Place** – Christopher Lim suffered the first elimination of the night, setting the stage for the official final table. The 38-year-old attorney from Bronx, NY has several WSOP-related cash finishes with his first at the 2007 World Series of Poker. 10<sup>th</sup> place paid \$1,941.

**9th Place** – The ninth place finisher was Mario Rodriguez, a 30-year-old professional gambler from Wilkes-Barre, PA. Rodriguez has two non-major tournament wins under his belt and tonight added a first-ever WSOP Circuit Event cash finish to his poker resume. For ninth place, Rodriguez pocketed \$2,397.

**8th Place** – Ilya Soyfer was the eighth place finisher in this event. Soyfer, who hails from Lansdale, PA by way of Ukraine, earned his second WSOP Circuit cash, worth \$3,001.

**7th Place** – Back in March, Joseph Liberta took down Ring Event #12 at Caesars Atlantic City. The 23-year-old poker pro from Berlin, NJ had his sight set on claiming a second piece of WSOPC hardware but fell short of his goal, finishing in 7<sup>th</sup> here in event #2 at Harrah's Philadelphia. For his two-day effort, he pocketed \$3,810.

**6th Place** – Eli Gonzalez, a 34-year-old married father and career military man from Virginia Beach, VA was eliminated in sixth place. This event marked Gonzalez's second time to cash in a WSOP Circuit Event after having made the money in Event #4 at Palm Beach Kennel Club. His largest major tournament cash finish to date earned him \$4,906.

**5th Place** – Despite having made his first major tournament cash in 2010, Adam Cook was far and away the most accomplished player at the final table. He finished runner up in the 2011 Borgata Poker Open Main Event and <u>earned his first WSOP Circuit Gold Ring in Event #4 at Palm Beach Kennel Club.</u> The 28-year-old graduate of finance from the University of Maryland and former project manager was unable to replicate that performance, here tonight however at Harrah's Philadelphia and finished in fifth place, worth \$6,409.

**4th Place** – Joshua Stewart of nearby West Chester, PA was the fourth place finisher. This marked Stewart's first major tournament cash. He collected \$8,500.

3rd Place - The third place finisher was John Alfera of Pittsburgh, PA. He pocketed \$11,448 for his finish.

Heads up, Jonathan Sorscher had 2.3 million in chips to McGlothlin's 1.6 million in chips. Heads up play began just before 2:30 am local time and would last nearly three hours. McGlothlin was able to chip Sorscher down until he was against the ropes, but Sorscher got a much-needed double up, turning trip jacks against McGlothlin's overpair. McGlothlin was eventually able to overcome his final opponent as day broke to claim the victory.

For his runner-up finish, Sorscher collected \$15,666.

McGlothlin was awarded \$25,346 for his win. He is a career recruiter for the US Marines and plays poker whenever he has the spare time. This was his fourth-ever live tournament and the third he's cashed in.

"I feel great about it," said the 30-year-old married father of one about his performance at Harrah's Philadelphia. My wife goes to school and this will help us take care of some things around the house."

McGlothlin says he plans to continue to play poker at the \$300-\$500 level around the Atlantic Coast, and if he does well, will take a look at elevating his game further.

With the win in Event #2, McGlothlin joins Kurt Magalski (Event #1) at the top of the Casino Champion points leader board.

The Casino Champion is the player who earns the most points through the 12 events at Harrah's Philadelphia. This player will earn an automatic seat to the \$1 million WSOP Circuit National Championship to be held in late May. More information about the WSOPC National Championship can be found <a href="here">here</a>. An explanation of the points system can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

Still to come are 10 events. See the complete Harrah's Philadelphia Circuit schedule and event results <u>here</u>. The WSOP Circuit Events at Harrah's Philadelphia runs through May 7th. You can find the <u>complete</u> 2011/2012 WSOP CIRCUIT SCHEDULE here.

### MORE ABOUT THE WSOP CIRCUIT AT HARRAH'S PHILADELPHIA

Harrah's Philadelphia is a casino and racetrack located in Philadelphia, PA -- about 15 minutes south of Philadelphia International Airport. It is the 16th (of 17) WSOP Circuit host properties. Harrah's New Orleans is the last remaining stop of the 2011-2012 WSOPC season.

This marks the second season that the WSOP Circuit has visited Harrah's Philadelphia.

Harrah's Philadelphia first opened in 2007, offering slot games and horse racing. Table games were introduced to the casino in 2010 after they were legalized by the state of Pennsylvania.

Harrah's Philadelphia originally opened as Harrah's Chester, but is currently in the process of rebranding itself as Harrah's Philadelphia, which is expected to be complete on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Harrah's Philadelphia's "12 Rings in 12 Days" series is taking place April 25-May 7. Tournaments are held in the ballroom located on the second floor of the casino. Cash games can be found in the poker room next to the race book also located on the second floor.

Each Ring Event Final Table will be streamed live from the final table stage area in the ballroom. The live stream can be accessed at: <a href="http://www.wsop.com/2011/circuit/live-video/">http://www.wsop.com/2011/circuit/live-video/</a>. Because final table start times are tentative, viewers are advised to follow the WSOP on Twitter @wsop to be notified when live streams begin.

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