



**2011/2012 World Series of Poker Circuit
Caesars Atlantic City
Event #11
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: \$300 (+45)
Total Entries: 286
Total Prize Pool: \$83,226
March 11-12, 2012**

Official Final Results:

1	John Nelson	Curtice, OH, US	\$19,974
2	Royce Cohen	Bensalem, PA, US	\$12,344
3	Stephen Delorean	Philadelphia, PA, US	\$8,956
4	David Jackson	Jonesboro, GA, US	\$6,608
5	Damien Kabbaz	NEW YORK, NY, US	\$4,956
6	Tj Crews	Edgewater, MD, US	\$3,776
7	Michael Schoultz	Arlington, VA, US	\$2,922
8	Ek Yuel Yim	Roanoke, VA, US	\$2,297
9	Paul Sleeper	CHERRY HILL, NJ, US	\$1,833
10	Brian Adragna	EAST MEADOW, NY, US	\$1,483
11	Keiko Lim	BRONX, NY, US	\$1,484
12	Sergio Vizcaino	South Plainfield, NJ, US	\$1,484
13	Robert Nelson	Orange, VA, US	\$1,219
14	Spiros Stathakis	Astoria, NY, US	\$1,219
15	Gary Patanjo	EAST PATCHOGUE, NY, US	\$1,219
16	James Henson	LAKE JACKSON, TX, US	\$1,016
17	Carless Boatwright	WOODBIDGE, VA, US	\$1,016
18	Jason Pavlas	Pensacola, FL, US	\$1,016
19	Derrick Cutler	MARIETTA, GA, US	\$859
20	Paul Colwell	MOUNTAIN LAKES, NJ, US	\$859
21	Jesse Almlie	Lexington Park, MD, US	\$859
22	Trevor Patterson	Nutley, NJ, US	\$737
23	Anthony Casagrande	MEDFORD, NY, US	\$737
24	Michael Muniz	S> RICHMOND HILL, NY, US	\$737
25	Ian Barruel	ALEXANDRIA, VA, US	\$640
26	Cory Kelly	Mechanicsburg, PA, US	\$640
27	John Gerasimou	ASTORIA, NY, US	\$630
28	Han Chow	Atlantic City, NJ, US	\$564
29	Shing Har	Little Neck, NY, US	\$564

Tournament Report:

John Nelson Wins Gold Ring on Final Day

Ohio Man Wins Second Major Tournament in Six Months

WSOP Circuit at Caesars Atlantic City Concludes Successful Two-Week Run

Atlantic City, NJ (March 12, 2012) – The World Series of Poker Circuit ended at Caesars Atlantic City tonight, with the conclusion of the final two gold ring tournaments.

The winner of Event #11 was John Nelson, from Curtice, OH. He won the \$345 buy-in No-Limit Hold'em title.

The victory paid \$19,974 in prize money. He was also presented with this first WSOP Circuit gold ring. This marked his first WSOP-related in-the-money finish. However, Nelson is no stranger to the winner's circle, having won a major title on the World Poker Tour, last November.

This was the 11th of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at Caesars Atlantic City. Officially listed as Event #11 -- the \$300 (+45) buy-in No-Limit Hold'em tournament attracted 286 entries. The total prize pool came to \$83,226. The top 30 players were paid. All players who cashed received WSOP Circuit National Championship ranking points.

A full list of all players who cashed in Event #11 can be seen at WSOP.COM

This tournament caps a hugely-successful two-week run at Caesars Atlantic City. Among the many highlights were:

Big Numbers For Most Events – Atlantic City may be taking a beating when it comes to recent tourism and casino visits, but the poker market is doing just fine. Attendance for the 12 gold ring events averaged 408 players per event, which is up from the previous two years. Three events attracted 600-plus players, including the Main Event Championship. Moreover, the championship was the largest of any Main Event in the seven years the WSOPC has been coming to the New Jersey Shore. Atlantic City is the only destination which includes two WSOP Circuit stops each year. The series held at Harrah's Atlantic City in December also performed very well, averaging nearly 400 players per event.

12 Winners in 12 Days -- Here is the complete list of gold ring winners from Caesars Atlantic City:

EVENT #1: Michael McGuiness defeated 667 players (\$345 NLHE) and won \$39,790

EVENT #2: Sarah Dygert defeated 887 players (\$345 NLHE) and won \$50,333

EVENT #3: Brandon Croft defeated 253 players (\$555 NLHE) and won \$30,062

EVENT #4: Ali Navid defeated 495 players (\$345 NLHE) and won \$30,969

EVENT #5: Brandon Croft defeated 263 players (\$555 NLHE) and won \$31,250

EVENT #6: Keith Binder defeated 369 players (\$345 6-NLHE) and won \$23,623

EVENT #7: Abe Araya defeated 286 players (\$555 NLHE) and won \$33,290

EVENT #8: David Key defeated 160 players (\$345 OHL) and won \$12,571

EVENT #9: Dan Blakeman defeated 145 players (\$1,080 NLHE) and won \$39,382

EVENT #10: TBA defeated 641 players (\$1,600 NLHE) and won \$191,194

EVENT #11: John Nelson defeated 286 players (\$345 NLHE) and won \$19,974

EVENT #12: TBA defeated 240 players (\$345 TURBO) and won \$17,460

Brandon Croft, “Best All-Around” Player – Winning one gold ring is tough. Winning two gold rings is tougher. Winning two gold rings in three days is nearly unprecedented. Brandon Croft, from Sumter, SC won two events at this poker series – collecting more than \$60,000 in prize money. Croft all but locked up the “Best All-Around Player” honors before the Circuit had even reached the midway point. He became the third player this season to win two gold rings at one WSOP Circuit stop.

Chris Reslock Enjoys Another Strong Series – Former taxi-driver Chris Reslock is one of poker’s most low-key players. But he has gradually established a well-deserved reputation as one of the region’s top tournament players. Reslock, from Atlantic City, is tied for second in career gold ring victories, with four. He nearly won his fifth title in the Omaha High-Low event, but ended up finishing second. Reslock was one of only two players to cash three times at this series – including two final table appearances.

Coming next, the WSOP Circuit crosses the country to the West Coast, where the 13th stop of the season will take place. Harrah’s Rincon, located 40 miles north of San Diego will be hosting the next dozen gold ring events, from March 15-26.

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