



**2012/2013 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season Nine
Caesars Atlantic City
Atlantic City, NJ
Event #3
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In \$500 (+80)
Total Entries: 196
Prize Pool: \$98,000
March 3-4, 2013**

Gold Ring Victory Number Five for Chris Reslock

Atlantic City Poker Pro and Gold Bracelet Winner Moves into Second-Place Tie for Most WSOP Circuit Career Wins

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Atlantic City, NJ (March 4, 2013) – Ring. Ring. Ring. Ring. Ring. Bracelet.

That's the extent of Chris Reslock's jewelry collection accrued from winning World Series of Poker-related tournaments over the past eight years.

Oh, he's also got more than a million extra dollars sitting in his bank account – the total sum of his cash winnings in WSOP events since 2006.

Other than that, the Atlantic City poker player hasn't done much in WSOP events.

Seriously, Reslock just won his fifth WSOP Circuit title tonight in the third gold ring event played at this year's Caesars Atlantic City series. He picked up \$25,480 in prize money, for topping a field of 196 players in the \$580 buy-in No-Limit Hold'em tournament played over the past two days.

The victory places Reslock in uber-elite company. He's now just one win behind Alexandru Masek, who won his sixth career victory two months ago. Reslock is one of five players with five victories. This illustrious list includes Mark “Pegasus” Smith, Kyle Cartwright, Ari Engel, and Kurt Jewell. With another three months remaining in the current season, the race is one to see if one of these five star players can catch Masek in wins.

Reslock's feat is particularly impressive considering he's played in fewer gold ring events than his contemporaries. Other than 2007-2008, he hasn't toured on the WSOP Circuit, opting to only play in the two Atlantic City events each year. He won four of his five rings in Atlantic City, his home.

Prior to playing poker for a living, Reslock was a taxi driver. About ten years ago, he won a major tournament at the Sands Atlantic City and decided to park his taxi in the garage for a while and try to make it as a poker pro. A decade later, the old taxi cab is still sitting there, assuming it

hasn't been towed. Indeed, it doesn't look like Reslock is going to return to the streets to make a living anytime soon.

Reslock's big break as a poker player took place in 2005 at the Showboat Atlantic City. He won the \$10,000 buy-in Main Event Championship event that was part of the WSOP Circuit that year – good for \$335,000. Two months later Reslock won his second gold ring.

He ascended to event greater heights in 2006 when he made the final table of the famed Tournament of Champions that year, which was a prestigious nationally-televised competition among the world's best poker players in conjunction with the WSOP. Reslock took fifth place. However, bigger things were to come the following year.

Reslock won a WSOP gold bracelet in 2007, playing in the \$5,000 buy-in Seven-Card Stud event. That moment capped a stellar one-year run during which Reslock won nearly a million dollars in tournament poker.

He followed that success up with another WSOP gold ring win in 2007 (Harrah's Tunica) and then another victory in 2010 (Harrah's Atlantic City). Win number five came here at Caesars, which is just a few miles away from the other property of past glory.

“It's always nice to win,” the mild-mannered Reslock said. “You don't get a chance to get here too often, so I'm really glad I was able to win it.”

As Reslock was getting paid, he was asked about his jewelry collection, which includes five gold rings and a gold bracelet.

“Oh, I keep them all for sure,” Reslock revealed. “They will always mean a lot to me, but I'm not really a jewelry person, so I don't wear them.”

As Reslock was talking, he pulled up the cuff on his long-sleeved shirt.

“See this watch? This is really all I need so far as jewelry,” Reslock said. “It's a Timex that's served me well. I appreciate ordinary things that are good.”

That last statement said it all. He appreciates “ordinary things that are good.”

If ever there were simple words that reveal much about a man and his character, those are perfectly fitting for Chris Reslock.

And we certainly appreciate him – and what he's accomplished in what's been a magnificent poker career.

The final table finishers were as follows:

1st	Chris Reslock	ATLANTIC CITY, NJ, US	\$25,480
2nd	Paul Sokoloff	TORONTO, ON, CA	\$15,740
3rd	Douglas Cressi	GLEN COVE, NY, US	\$11,365
4th	Christopher Heeney	RALEIGH, NC, US	\$8,347
5th	Michael Jukich	ARLINGTON, VA, US	\$6,236
6th	Everett Carlton	ST PAUL, MN, US	\$4,738
7th	Gregory Bonsignore	HOWARD BEACH, NY, US	\$3,660
8th	Michael Linster	ISLAND PARK, NY, US	\$2,874
9th	Patrick Matthews	GREENLAWN, NY, US	\$2,293

Tournament Notes

- This was the third event of this year's WSOP Circuit being played at Caesars Atlantic City.
- The two-day tournament began with 196 players. After 14 hours of play on Day One, only 11 survivors remained.
- There were 11 players that started Day Two. It took about seven hours to play down to the winner.
- The final table included four gold ring winners – Chris Reslock, Paul Sokoloff, Michael Linster, and Everett Carlton.
- Paul Sokoloff finished as the runner-up. Despite being down 13 to 1 in chips when heads-up play started, he managed to survive more than an hour before being defeated by Reslock.
- The final table went about seven hours.

As the third gold ring winner so far, Chris Reslock joins the previous two winners atop the leaderboard in the Casino Champion race for the Caesars Atlantic City series. He accumulated 50 points for his victory.

The player who accumulates the most overall points in Caesars Atlantic City's twelve combined gold ring tournaments will earn the title Casino Champion and shall receive automatic entry into the \$1 Million 2012-13 WSOP National Championship Presented by Southern Comfort 100 Proof. The qualifier will join the winner of the \$1,675 buy-in Main Event (March 9-11), who also wins an automatic seat.

All players who cash in gold ring events receive points that apply to both the Casino Championship race (good for Caesars Atlantic City events only) and the season-long race to claim one of the 60 at-large National Championship bids to be awarded to the top point earners throughout the season. More information on the points system is available on WSOP.com.

The 2012-13 WSOP Circuit at Caesars Atlantic City runs through March 1, 2013.

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