

**2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season 10
IP Casino Resort and Spa
Biloxi, MS
Event #4
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 127
Prize Pool: \$38,100
September 8-9, 2013**



Andrew Kattner Deals Himself a Winner

Mississippi-based poker dealer experiences success on the other side of the felt.

David Nicholson goes for fourth ring, comes up dry.

Biloxi, MS (September 10, 2013) — When the Event 4 final table began at IP Casino Resort and Spa in Biloxi, MS Monday afternoon, three headlines stood out.

One belonged to David Nicholson, who was going for his fourth WSOP Circuit gold ring. The other belonged to chip leader, Steven Weigel, who was the only player with more than 200,000. The final headline belonged to Priscilla Giroir, who was making a final table less than 24 hours after her husband accomplished the same feat.

On paper, it would have been hard to pick out Andrew Kattner's headline. The 29-year-old dealer from Gulfport, MS began the final table second-to-last in chips with no WSOP Circuit resume to speak of.

But Kattner made his own headline. Nicholson hit rail 8th, Giroir 5th and Weigel 4th, but Kattner remained.

He nursed his short stack and grinded out a three-handed marathon session before Eugene Wade hit the rail 3rd and it was Kattner's event to lose. He made the most of his heads-up berth, eliminating Tom Christopher 2nd and adding a crowning achievement to his aforementioned resume.

"I just kept catching cards at the right time," Kattner said. "I wasn't expecting much. I was telling the other players I was happy I made it past the first day and wasn't the first one out. That's what I was going for."

The victory awarded Kattner \$10,668 a WSOP Circuit gold ring and 50 points toward the Casino Championship – the latter a prize Kattner isn't sure he'll be able to make the most of.

"I have to go back to work, man," Kattner said.

Kattner is employed as a dealer at Hollywood Casino in Bay St. Louis, MO. He earned his bachelors degree in finance from Florida State University and served four years in the Army.

The win marked his first-ever WSOP-related cash.

Event 4 was the fourth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the IP Casino Resort and Spa. The \$365 No-Limit Hold'em event attracted 127 entries. The total prize pool came to \$38,100 and the top 15 players were paid.

Day 1 began Sunday at 2 p.m. and lasted 18 levels. Day 2 began Monday at 2 p.m. with nine players remaining. Play finished at about 9 p.m. making the total duration of the final table seven hours including a one-hour dinner break.

Notes on the Event

- Priscilla Giroir (5th) was the second female to make a final table appearance at IP Biloxi. Giroir's husband, Jerry, finished 8th in Event 3.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during IP Biloxi's twelve combined gold ring tournaments will earn the title Casino Champion and receive automatic entry into the WSOP National Championship to take place at Caesars Atlantic City this spring.

All players who cash in ring events receive points that apply toward the Casino Champion's race and the season-long race to claim one of 60 at-large National Championship bids awarded to the top point earners throughout the season. More information on the points system is available on WSOP.com.

Here is the list of gold ring winners from IP Biloxi:

EVENT #1: James Pomranky defeated 220 players (\$365 NLH) for \$16,502

EVENT #2: Robert Irby defeated 193 players (\$365 NLH One-Day) for \$15,056

EVENT #3: Tam Nguyen defeated 571 players (\$365 NLH Re-Entry) for \$35,978

EVENT #4: Andrew Kattner defeated 127 players (\$365 NLH) for \$10,668

With the fourth tournament wrapped, eight more ring events remain at IP Biloxi.

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