

**2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season Ten
Harveys Lake Tahoe
Stateline, NV
Event #6
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In \$300 (+65)
Total Entries: 191
Prize Pool: \$57,300
October 29-30, 2013**



First WSOP Cash for Jose Esparza Includes A Gold Ring

Stateline, NV (October 30, 2013) – The final six players of Event 6, \$365 No Limit Hold'em at Harveys Lake Tahoe, put cards in the air at 2pm PDT and by 3:05 pm Jose Esparza held all 1.9 million chips in play. In his first-ever WSOP Circuit cash, Esparza takes home \$14,899 and the gold WSOP Circuit ring.

Esparza was the chip leader at the start of day two, but when they reached the final table late on day one, he was in the middle of the pack. Day one for him "started strong", he said. He was "catching cards and making good plays". He honed his poker skills playing in home games back in Tracy, CA, where he is a contractor with PG&E. He usually plays cash games, but may have to ramp up his tournament playing after this win.

Shawn Daniels was the runner-up today, his second near miss of the series. When heads-up play began, Esparza held a 4:1 chip lead over Daniels. On the final hand, Daniels had the best of it going in with A5 against Esparza's 85, but Esparza caught an 8 to deny Daniels the double-up and again send him to the rail in second place, earning \$9,203. Shawn Daniels also finished 2nd in event 1 and now leads the Casino Champion points race with 75 points.

Third place went to Daniel Lowery, who led the field when the final table formed late on day one. Lowery was third in chips at the start of day two and his 3rd place finish earned him \$6,645. He was the only player at this final table who already has a WSOP Circuit ring. In addition, he has made the final table of WSOP Circuit Main Events *four times*, finishing 2nd, 2nd, 4th & 5th. His total WSOP related earnings are over \$384,000.

Two-time WSOP bracelet winner Howard 'Tahoe' Andrew, who also has one WSOP Circuit ring, bubbled the unofficial final table of this event, finishing 11th for \$1,087.

Final Table Results

PLACE	PLAYER	CITY / STATE / COUNTRY	CASH EARNED
1	Jose Esparza	Tracy, CA, US	\$14,899
2	Shawn Daniels	Placerville, CA, US	\$9,203
3	Daniel Lowery	PETER PENDER, AR, US	\$6,645
4	Brett Nalder	Ogden, UT, US	\$4,880
5	John Deatherage	KNOXVILLE, TN, US	\$3,646
6	Michael Nelson	Sacramento, CA, US	\$2,770
7	Jesse Capps	HENDERSON, NV, US	\$2,140
8	Shawn Van Asdale	RENO, NV, US	\$1,681
9	Craig Gold	Belmont, CA, US	\$1,341

Tournament Notes

- The tournament began at 12pm PDT Tuesday and played 21 levels (14.25 hours). The official final table of nine was reached at 1:20am about an hour before play concluded on day one.
- Day two resumed at 2pm Wednesday with six players remaining at the final table. They were down to two after 52 minutes. Heads-up play lasted 13 minutes.
- Total number of players was 191 creating total prize money of \$57,300. The final 21 got paid.
- When the ten-handed final table began, Daniel Lowery was the chip leader. He ended up finishing 3rd.
- Daniel Lowery was the only prior WSOP Circuit ring winner at the final table.
- This is the first ring event final table this series that did not have at least one woman.
 - Event 1: Iris Kuzu won, Justine Roders finished 7th
 - Event 2: Deva Crouch finished 3rd
 - Event 3: Elizabeth Tedder finished 2nd
 - Event 4: Ruth Hagen finished 2nd
 - Event 5: Carolyn Bermudez finished 8th
 - Event 6: Last woman was Natasha Barbour, who finished 13th

Full results are available on WSOP.com.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during Harveys Lake Tahoe's twelve 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 in Spring of 2014.

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 50 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 Harveys Lake Tahoe:

EVENT #1: Iris Kuzu defeated 202 players (\$365 NLH) for \$15,757
EVENT #2: Chris Swan defeated 284 players (\$365 NLH) for \$20,450
EVENT #3: Ivin Arquiza defeated 537 players (\$365 NLH Re-Entry) for \$34,637
EVENT #4: Jed Hoffman defeated 160 players (\$365 NLH) for \$12,958
EVENT #5: Barry Raymos defeated 195 players (\$365 NLH) for \$15,210
EVENT #6: Jose Esparza defeated 191 players (\$365 NLH) for \$14,899

With the sixth tournament wrapped, six more ring events remain at Harveys Lake Tahoe.

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