2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit Season Ten Harveys Lake Tahoe Stateline, NV Event #7 Six Max No-Limit Hold'em Buy-In \$300 (+65) Total Entries: 166 Prize Pool: \$49,800 October 30-31, 2013



Austin Apicella Wins Third WSOP Circuit Gold Ring

Stateline, NV (October 31, 2013) – Event 7, \$365 Six Max No Limit Hold'em: Austin Apicella held the chip lead for most of this tournament. He was cruising through day one and when they reached the final seven, he was the big stack when they moved to a single table. He was the big stack at the end of day one when only three remained. He began heads-up play with a 10:1 chip lead. Fifteen minutes into day two it was over and Apicella had his third WSOP Circuit gold ring. The principal from Fair Oaks, TX, will also take home \$13,941 in prize money.

In addition, Apicella gets 50 points toward the Casino Champion race and National Championship Leaderboard. During season nine, Apicella accumulated 142.5 points, good for 50th place, and qualified to play in the WSOP National Championship. He made the final table of that freeroll, finishing 9th for \$30,785.

Ralph Kellagher was the runner-up, earning \$8,620. His patience paid off. He was 6th out of 7 in chips when they moved to the final table. He came into day two the short stack with fewer than 20 big blinds. The 54-year-old from Placerville, CA, held on all the way to a second place finish, good for 37.5 points on the leaderboard. This is his first recorded WSOP cash.

Third place and \$6,189 went to Wendy Freedman, a pro from Las Vegas. Freedman has one WSOP Circuit gold ring, earned last season. She also gets 30 points on the leaderboard toward qualifying for the National Championship.

Apicella was in a rush to get paid and jump into today's \$580 NLH event, so we had to cut the post-game interview short. He'll also be playing the Main Event, which begins Friday/Saturday with two starting days.

With the seventh tournament wrapped, five more ring events remain at Harveys Lake Tahoe.

Final Table Results

| PLACE | PLAYER | CITY / STATE / COUNTRY | CASH EARNED |
|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| 1 | Austin Apicella | FAIR OAKS RANCH, TX, US | \$13,941 |
| 2 | Ralph Kellagher | Placerville, CA, US | \$8,620 |
| 3 | Wendy Freedman | Las Vegas, NV, US | \$6,189 |
| 4 | Igor (Eli) Lupekha | Vancouver, WA, US | \$4,449 |
| 5 | Austin Buchanan | WINTER PARK, FL, US | \$3,198 |
| 6 | Bradford Jensen Jr | FREMONT, CA, US | \$2,299 |

Tournament Notes

– The tournament began at 12pm PDT Wednesday and played 21 levels (14.3 hours). The official final table of six was reached just after midnight.

– Day two resumed at 2pm Thursday with three players remaining at the final table. They were down to two after ten minutes. Heads-up play lasted two hands.

- Total number of players was 166, generating total prize money of \$49,800. The final 18 got paid.

- Two prior WSOP Circuit ring winners were at the final table: Austin Apicella owned two; Wendy Freedman owned one. This was the most 'decorated' final table of the series thus far.

- The Ladies continue to make a strong showing here at Harveys Lake Tahoe. There has been at least one woman at each final table except Event 6:

- 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
- Event 7: Wendy Freedman finished 3rd

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 EVENT #7: Austin Apicella defeated 166 players (\$365 Six Max NLH) for \$13,941

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