

**2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit
River Rock Resort and Casino
Event #6
Pot-Limit Omaha
Buy-In: \$500 (+80)
Total Entries: 159
Total Prize Pool: \$79,500
November 2, 2013**

Sukhpaul “Paul” Dhaliwal Finds Redemption in Event 6

Event 1 runner-up battles through another tournament field to earn his first gold ring

Vancouver, BC (November 2, 2013) – A mere five days ago, Sukhpaul “Paul” Dhaliwal watched o in anticipation as the final cards were dealt in Event 1 - \$365 No-Limit Hold’em. When it was all said and done, Dhaliwal had to settle for a second place finish and wait until another day to capture his first gold ring.

He didn’t have to wait very long.

Dhaliwal was able to best a 159-player field to claim gold in Event 6 - \$580 Pot-Limit Omaha. Dhaliwal’s first place finish earned him \$21,467 in prize money as well as 50 points toward the Casino Championship. Dhaliwal now leads the race for the seat in the National Championship with 87.5 points.

“I was a little bit disappointed after the first one,” recalled Dhaliwal. “But this just feels awesome. It feels really good to win. I’ve been running pretty good in tournaments, so I’m just happy. I’m happy to be here and happy that my friends are here.”

The tournament played 19 levels on Day 1, which allowed the players to reach the official final table of nine by the end of the night. Dhaliwal held a commanding chip lead over his competitors by the time they bagged and tagged for the evening, having just about double the chips of the player in second place. Dhaliwal continued to ride that high through a majority of the final table.

“I had almost a third of the chips in play,” said Dhaliwal. “I got lucky and knocked a few guys out early. Three-way I ended up being the chip loser, having the lowest in chips. I got really lucky that the two chip leaders got into a big one and I ended up heads-up.”

Dhaliwal entered heads up at a chip deficit but quickly vaulted into the lead when he flopped top set against Marc Vermeil, who flopped an open-ended straight

flush draw. The two got it all-in and Dhaliwal was able to fade Vermeil's outs on the river and ride his stack to a victory.

Despite winning, Dhaliwal took time to note his sympathy for his opponent's runner-up finish.

"Marc was a really good opponent," said Dhaliwal. "I was on the other end of it in Event 1. I knew how it felt and I know how it feels to be him."

Dhaliwal has had potentially the most emotional roller coaster of anyone so far at this stop, feeling the range of both disappointment for coming so close and elation over his eventual triumph.

Final table results were as follows:

1st – Sukhpaul Dhaliwal - \$21,467
2nd – Marc Verheil - \$13,265
3rd – Steven Schartner - \$9,549
4th – Seth Maretz - \$6,998
5th – Laszlo Somogyi - \$5,220
6th – Jason Lowe - \$3,961
7th – John Agelakis - \$3,058
8th – Gregory Eyster - \$2,399
9th – Mark-Daniel Hughes - \$1,913

Notes on the Event

- The field played down to a final table at a lightning pace, reaching the final nine in less than 19 40-minute levels.

-This is Dhaliwal's second heads-up appearance in six events. He finished runner-up to Vincent Wong in Event 1.

For his win, Sukhpaul Dhaliwal earns 50 points toward the River Rock Casino Champion standings. This puts him in the overall lead with 87.5 points. The next closest competitors are Lorne Willment and Eric Kim who are tied for second with 55 points. The player who accumulates the most overall points during River Rock's 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 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 River Rock Resort and Casino:

EVENT #1: Vincent Wong defeated 511 players (\$365 NLH) for \$32,956

EVENT #2: Chris Back defeated 343 players (\$580 NLH) for \$39,439

EVENT #3: Eric Kim defeated 328 players (\$365 NLH Turbo) for \$23,123

EVENT #4: Jordan Hamilton defeated 275 players (\$1,125 NLH) for \$65,995

EVENT #5: Lorne Willment defeated 419 players (\$365 NLH) for \$27,650

EVENT #6: Sukhpaul Dhaliwal defeated 159 players (\$580 PLO) for \$21,467

With the completion of this event, just four more live gold ring events remain as WSOP Circuit at River Rock Casino and Resort continues through November 7th. Two additional rings will be available through online tournaments hosted by PlayNow.com.

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