

**2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit
River Rock Resort and Casino
Event #9
No-Limit Hold'em Six-Handed
Buy-In: \$500 (\$80)
Total Entries: 228
Total Prize Pool: \$114,000
November 7, 2013**

Gold shines for Mark Ostrovsky in Event 9

Richmond native claims title of the latest ring winner at River Rock

Vancouver, BC (November 7, 2013) – Mark Ostrovsky is the latest player to add the title of World Series of Poker Circuit champion to his résumé, as he was able to claw through the action-packed short-handed field and come out on top of Event 9. Ostrovsky was awarded \$30,781 for his first place finish as well as 50 points toward the Casino Championship race.

Like most other fans of the game and players alike, Ostrovsky found himself glued to his television set during the airing of the 2013 WSOP November Nine broadcast. As he watched the broadcast, Ostrovsky found inspiration through eventual champion Ryan Riess and was able to use that to ignite his own performance in this tournament.

“It feels amazing to win,” said Ostrovsky. “It feels remarkable. I was watching Ryan Riess the other day winning the Main Event and I was inspired to win it today. When I woke up this morning, I thought that with fourteen left I was just going to come out and win this one.”

In the end, the power of positive thinking paid off for Ostrovsky. He began the day in the middle of the pack with the seventh biggest chip stack of the 14 players to make Day 2. Once play kicked off for the day, Ostrovsky came out swinging.

“The day started off really well for me,” he said. “I won a huge flip at the beginning. Queens versus ace-king and my queens held. I had kings in the big blind that held against king-jack. Then I won another flip and from there it just went really well.”

Victory in these pots was enough to propel Ostrovsky into a solid position heading into the final table. After the first elimination, the final five players battled against each other for several hours before Aaron Li found himself exiting in fifth place. From there, Mark Sioson was the next to go and was followed out the door by Ryan Snyder. Snyder was riding the high of back-to-back final tables here in Vancouver, as two nights ago he finished third in Event 8 – \$1,125 No-Limit

Hold'em Turbo. Snyder would have to settle for another third place in this event though, which left Ostrovsky to battle it out heads-up with Mark Inglis.

On the final hand, Inglis found himself all in before the flop with jack-seven and was crushed by Ostrovsky's two red kings. Despite pairing his jack on the turn, Inglis could not improve to beat the cowboys and Ostrovsky was crowned the champion.

Final table results were as follows:

1st – Mark Ostrovsky - \$30,781
2nd – Mark Inglis - \$19,017
3rd – Ryan Snyder - \$13,323
4th – Mark Sioson - \$9,398
5th – Aaron Li - \$6,680
6th – Jonathan Da Cruz - \$4,787

Notes on the Event

- This marks Ryan Snyder's second final table in a row at this series. Snyder finished in third place in Event 8 - \$1,125 No-Limit Hold'em Turbo for \$13,994 and earned \$13,323 for his efforts in Event 9.

-This was also the second final table appearance from Jonathan Da Cruz. He scored an eighth-place finish in Event 5 - \$365 No-Limit Hold'em for a \$3,273 payday.

For his win, Mark Ostrovsky earns 50 points toward the Casino Championship race. As a ring winner, this puts him in contention to win the National Championship seat if he fares well in the two online ring events. The lead is still held by Sukhpaul Dahliwal who holds 87.5 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
EVENT #7: Lincoln Milne defeated 865 players (\$1,675 Main Event) for \$253,015
EVENT #8: Chi Tsun Chan defeated 106 players (\$1,125 NLH Turbo) for \$31,800
EVENT #9: Mark Ostrovsky defeated 228 players (\$580 NLH Six-Handed) for \$30,781

With this event in the books, just one more live ring event remains on the schedule here at River Rock Casino and Resort. Two additional rings will be available through online tournaments hosted by PlayNow.com.

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