

2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season 10
Casino du Lac-Leamy
Gatineau, QC, CA
Event #3
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 265
Prize Pool: \$79,500
November 15-16, 2013



Marc Carpentier Rallies in Event 3

Toronto-based pro overcomes massive chip deficit to earn \$19,477 at Casino Lac-Leamy.

Gatineau, QC (November 16, 2013) — An unlikely finalist emerged victorious in Event 3, a \$365 No-Limit Hold'em tournament, at Casino Lac-Leamy Saturday evening. Marc Carpentier, a Toronto-based professional, overcame his final table short stack to earn a gold ring and \$19,477.

The finale began with Yoon Alphonsus well out in front holding more than 700,000 chips. Meanwhile, Carpentier held just over 200,000 and it was only getting worse for the young hopeful.

Moments after the final table began he found himself on the losing end of big pot and was left with just eight big blinds.

"I lost a flip really early on, then I had ace-five against ace-jack and managed to double up," Carpentier recalled.

From then on it was all Carpentier all the time. He worked his way up the ranks until the chip stacks flipped and he held the commanding lead that once belonged to Alphonsus.

"I picked a couple spots against [Alphonsus]," he said. "I was like his nemesis. He couldn't win a pot off me for two days... I applied pressure and it worked pretty well."

By the time the pair was heads-up Carpentier held an almost four-to-one chip advantage and the battle was over in a matter of minutes.

"I wanted the ring really bad. It's my first live win," Carpentier said. "This is my first trophy and it represents a lot to win this."

Carpentier is just 24 years old and left college to pursue poker full time two years ago. Prior to his Event 3 win, his resume boasted three WSOP cashes including a 422nd-place finish in the Main Event this summer.

Just like Carpentier is a first-time winner, the tournament series a first for the Lac-Leamy property, too. The venue is located just over the Ottawa River from Canada's capital in Gatineau,

QC. The full-service resort features an expansive gaming floor, numerous restaurants and is connected to one of the highest-rated Hilton hotels in the world.

“The tournament was ran pretty well,” the Circuit’s newest winner said following his victory. “It’s my first time here and I enjoy the venue a lot.”

Event 3 was the third of 10 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at Casino Lac-Leamy. The \$365 No-Limit Hold’em tournament attracted 265 players generating a \$79,500 prize pool. The top 27 players were paid.

Day 1 began Friday at 12 p.m. and reached the nine-handed final table toward the end of Level 21. The finale began Saturday shortly after 1 p.m. and concluded at about 5:30 p.m.

Two additional gold ring events are set to take place December 7 and 8 on EspaceJeux.com in partnership with the Lac-Leamy series, bringing the total rings awarded to 12.

Notes on the Event

- Mike Leah late registered Event 3 after busting Event 2 in ninth place. He recorded his second cash of the day, finishing 19th.
- For the third straight tournament, each of the in the money finishers hailed from Canada.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during Casino Lac-Leamy’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 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 Casino Lac-Leamy:

EVENT #1: Aila Elouta defeated 282 players (\$365 NLH Re-Entry) for \$20,303
EVENT #2: Andrej Markovinovic defeated 167 players (\$580 NLH) for \$22,546
EVENT #3: Marc Carpentier defeated 265 players (\$365 NLH) for \$19,477

With the third tournament wrapped, seven more ring events remain at Casino Lac-Leamy.

For more information about the World Series of Poker Circuit, be sure to follow us on Twitter @WSOP or check out WSOP.com.

For additional information please contact:

Lukas M. Willems (WSOP Media Coordinator) at lukasmwillems@gmail.com.