

2014/2015 World Series of Poker Circuit

Season 11

Palm Beach Kennel Club

West Palm Beach, Fla.

Event #5

No-Limit Hold'em

Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)

Total Entries: 141

Prize Pool: \$42,300

August 4-5, 2014



Brian Reinert Wins Second PBKC Ring

Atlanta-based wine consultant takes care of business on and off the felt, becomes a two-time ring winner.

West Palm Beach, Fla. (August 5, 2014) — Brian Reinert started off hot at the Palm Beach Kennel Club finishing 10th in the opening \$500,000 guarantee re-entry event. Rather than hang his hat on the deep run, he drew on what could have been in that tournament and used it as motivation in upcoming events.

“I was super deep in the [\$580 re-entry] and I got a sick cooler hand,” Reinert remembered. “I had pocket kings and a guy raised with queens. Another guy comes along with ace-king for like 35 percent of the chips in play and the guy hits the queen. I was a little bummed, but that’s poker. I came back here and tried to play my best.”

Reinert’s best was reserved for Event 5, a \$365 no-limit hold’em ring event. He came out on top of the 141-player field and earned \$11,844 along with his second ring. The victory was made more special for Reinert because his resume already boasted a win in this same event in 2012/2013.

“It puts a little more meaning to it,” he said of winning his second ring. “These kids out here on this tour are extremely talented. You can see during the World Series [of Poker], Phil [Hui], Loni [Harwood] and Kyle [Cartwright] all shipped bracelets. It’s not an easy field and to ship my second ring means a lot. It means even more than the first one.”

Reinert, a professional man first and a cash player second, is inherently at a disadvantage when he takes to the tournament felt, but it’s clear he’s closing the gap. A wine consultant, Reinert is self-employed and has had to dedicate much of his time to his business during the last few years. By his own account, he played just five events during last year’s Circuit compared to 15 the year before. This year, he’s finding a more comfortable work-poker balance and mixes some business in with his trips to follow the tour.

“I did some [work] in Florida,” he said of this series. “I bagged Day 1 in the \$580, then I went over to Naples and drove all along Florida. I put on 600 miles just cruising all the stores. I try to care of business on all the tour stops.”

Reinert's clearly coming into his own on the felt and all the pieces are starting to fall into place in his professional life. With more confidence and more time on his hands, it might not be long before his name is mentioned right alongside bracelet winners Hui, Harwood and Cartwright. One thing is for sure, though. He'll never forget where he got his hot start.

"I love Palm Beach and I love the venue. It's always my favorite stop on the tour," he said of his good fortune down South.

Event 5 was the fifth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at PBKC. The \$365 no-limit hold'em event attracted 141 entries. The total prize pool came to \$42,300 and the top 15 players were paid.

Day 1 began Monday at 11 a.m. and lasted 21 levels. Day 2 began Tuesday at 2 p.m. with three players remaining. Action concluded at 3:30 p.m. making the total duration of the event about sixteen hours.

Here is the list of gold ring winners from PBKC:

EVENT #1: Avery Bass defeated 958 entries (\$365 NLH Re-Entry) for \$95,000

EVENT #2: Claudangelo Beaudouin defeated 101 players (\$365 PLO8) for \$9,089

EVENT #3: Joaquin Granados defeated 89 players (\$365 HORSE) for \$8,545

EVENT #4: Dolline Willis defeated 154 players (\$365 NLH) for \$12,474

EVENT #5: Brian Reinert defeated 141 players (\$365 NLH) for \$11,844

The player who accumulates the most overall points during PBKC's 12 combined gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP National Championship set to take place this spring at a yet-to-be-determined location.

All players who cash in ring events receive points that apply toward the Casino Championship race and the season-long race to claim one of 56 expected 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.

With the fifth tournament wrapped, seven more gold ring events remain on the PBKC Circuit schedule.

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