2014/2015 World Series of Poker Circuit Season 11 Lumiere Place Casino and Hotels St. Louis, Mo. Event #8 Pot-Limit Omaha Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)

Total Entries: 128 Prize Pool: \$38,400 February 26, 2015



Karl Sederberg Wins PLO Event in 12 Hours

Illinois amateur busts three players in consecutive hands en route to a 12-hour victory and \$10,752 score in Lumiere PLO event.

St. Louis, Mo. (February 27, 2015) — Karl Sederberg of Medinah, Ill. earned his first World Series of Poker Circuit gold ring early Friday morning at Lumiere Place in Event 8, a \$365 potlimit Omaha tournament. The event, which was slated to play out over the course of two days, needed just 12 hours to finish as Sederberg caught a heater for the ages securing a \$10,752 first prize and 50 points toward the Casino Championship.

"The cards were running unbelievably hot," Sederberg said. "In fact, the final three hands went one, two, three and the last four players went out. The dealer was good to me. This was as fast as a turbo – as fast as I've ever seen."

Sederberg's above quote references the fact he eliminated Josh Turner fourth, Josh Reichard third and Jian Zhang second in three consecutive hands. While no one can deny his good fortune in those three hands, it was a previous hand he played that propelled him into position to dominate the late stages of the event.

Sederberg, who sat second in chips at the time, got all in versus chip leader Reichard following a series of pot bets. The board read [Qs][8s][4d] and Sederberg held [Qc][Qd][Jc][7h] for top set against Reichard's bottom set of [4s][4h][9c][3s]. The board completed with the [3h] and [8c] and Sederberg crippled Reichard while taking an insurmountable chip lead.

In addition to three-time ring winner Reichard and Turner, who's spent much of the 2014/2015 Circuit season atop the National Championship leaderboard, the final table included Casino Championship contenders Nicholas Pupillo and Mark Fledderman. Pupillo's run at the points lead came to an abrupt halt when he finished eighth, but Fledderman climbed the ladder and secured a fifth-place finish along with 22.5 points. He now leads the Lumiere Place Casino Championship race with 75 points – 7.5 more than second Pupillo – and just four points-eligible events remaining.

"They were all unbelievable," Sederberg said of the final table players. "I had total respect for them every time. I tried to be very selective with my hands and only go against them with commitment because I knew they were going to push me off anything I played soft."

The victory, which comes on the eve of the Main Event, marks Sederberg's fourth career Circuit cash and second final table appearance. He resides in Medinah, Ill. where he is self employed as an IT developer.

"It's awesome," he said of the ring. "I can't believe it. It's something I've dreamed for sure. It's beautiful."

Event 8 was the eighth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at Lumiere Place. The \$365 pot-limit Omaha event attracted 128 players. The total prize pool came to \$38,400 and the top 15 finishers were paid.

The tournament began Thursday, February 26 at 12 p.m. Action played out in one day, concluding just after midnight, making the total duration of the event about 12 hours including a one-hour dinner break.

Here is the list of gold ring winners from Lumiere Place:

EVENT #1: Eric Montgomery defeated 234 players (\$365 NLH) for \$17,551

EVENT #2: Mario Webster defeated 792 entries (\$365 NLH re-entry) for \$47,520

EVENT #3: Nicholas Pupillo defeated 104 players (\$580 NLH) for \$15,600

EVENT #4: Charlie Dawson defeated 181 players (\$365 NLH) for \$14,118

EVENT #5: Jesse Watson defeated 187 players (\$365 NLH Six Handed) for \$15,428

EVENT #6: Bradley Coultas defeated 193 players (\$365 NLH Black Chip Bounty) for \$10,036

EVENT #7: Kevin McColgan defeated 183 players (\$365 NLH) for \$14,275

EVENT #8: Karl Sederberg defeated 128 players (\$365 PLO) for \$10,752

The player who accumulates the most overall points during Lumiere Place's 12 combined gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP National Championship. Additionally, all players who cash in ring events earn points that apply toward the season-long race to claim one of 60 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.

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