



## WSOP CIRCUIT 2017-18 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Harveys Lake Tahoe	Date:	27 October 2017
Event:	Pot-Limit Omaha	Entries:	84
Buy-in:	\$365	Prizepool:	\$25,200

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### MIKE SNEIDEMAN WINS FIRST RING IN PLO

*California grinder collects \$8,063 and a golden keepsake in Lake Tahoe*

The first of 12 gold rings was awarded on Friday afternoon at Harveys Lake Tahoe.

California's Mike Sneideman won it, outlasting a field of 84 entries to claim the top prize of \$8,063. The victory came in Pot-Limit Omaha, a game in which he doesn't have a ton of experience.

"I don't really know how to play PLO that much," he admitted. "This is, like, my fourth tournament. I've studied hand ranges a little bit."

Sneideman is a 47-year-old native of Virginia, and he's the proud parent of a nine-year-old son, Jonah. They now make their home in Oceanside, California, where Sneideman plays the game full time. Or mostly full time.

"Poker pro, basically," he explained his line of work. "I go broke every few months and [drive for] Uber. *That* kind of poker pro."

Despite the occasional setback, Sneideman clearly knows his way around the felt. He's earned more than a half-million dollars playing online, and his live earnings are approaching that mark, too. Though significant, this score is not even among his top ten results.

Sneideman faced some stiff competition at the final table, facing off against two-time ring winner Cary Marshall and recent first-timer Roger Bailey. Early on Day 2, the eventual champ found himself heads-up with Marshall for the title.

The battle was a swingy one, with both men holding a commanding chip lead at different points. The pendulum swung in Sneideman's direction at the end, though, and he defeated Marshall to add his own name to the Circuit's list of winners.

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## MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

Name:	Mike Sneideman	Age:	47
Nationality:	USA	Profession:	Poker player
Birthplace:	Virginia	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	Oceanside, Calif.	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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