



## WSOP CIRCUIT 2017-18 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop: Harveys Lake Tahoe  
Event: No-Limit Hold'em  
Buy-in: \$580

Date: 3 November 2017  
Entries: 228  
Prizepool: \$114,000

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### **“FINALLY A RING” FOR JASTHI KUMAR**

*Indian-American part-timer breaks through for first Circuit victory*

Jasthi Kumar has just become the WSOP Circuit's newest first-time winner. Kumar outlasted a field of 228 entries in the \$580 event, winning the ring and the top prize of \$28,502. He's earned more than a half-million dollars from tournaments in the last five years as a part-time player.

Kumar, 51, is an IT manager originally from the south of India. He now makes his home in the Bay Area of California where he's become a part of the local poker scene. Originally cutting his teeth in tournament chess, Kumar has been playing poker for about seven years.

"Outside of my job, I try to play poker as much as possible," Kumar said. "It's sort of a passion for me."

His passion has turned the game into a rather successful hobby. He's already cleared the half-million-dollar mark in career tournament earnings, including a 58th-place finish in the 2016 WSOP Main Event for a six-figure payout.

All that is well and good, but Kumar has now achieved one of his major goals on the felt.

"Finally," he said in the moment after his victory. "Finally a ring."

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## MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

Name:	Jasthi Kumar	Age:	51
Nationality:	USA	Profession:	IT manager
Birthplace:	India	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	San Ramon, CA	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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