



WSOP CIRCUIT 2017-18 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Horseshoe Council Bluffs (Council Bluffs, Iowa)	Date:	3 April 2018
Event:	No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry	Entries:	129
Buy-in:	\$365	Prizepool:	\$38,700

BHASKAR SETTI SCOOPS 1ST WSOP GOLD RING

Early finish leaves Bhaskar Setti with golden tribute to poker mentor.

Another World Series of Poker champion has been deemed at the Horseshoe Council Bluffs Circuit. Bhaskar Setti was the one scooping the final pot of Event #5: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry, securing \$10,838 and his first WSOP gold ring. It was a moment of triumph that came earlier than expected.

Event though Event #5 was scheduled as a two-day tournament, Setti planted himself in the winner's circle with six minutes left in the final level of Day 1. All in all, the 44-year-old, originally from India, conquered 129 entrants and a tough final table.

When the field dropped to just ten players, Setti held a healthy stack of just over 200,000. However, he lost half of it almost immediately after. From there, Setti chipped back up and reached four-handed play where action slowed dramatically.

"I somehow felt very comfortable when the people got low because I used to play in cash games, heads up, for hours and hours. That experience really helped me," Setti explained "When I got to four people on the table I was really fired up."

Setti was already playing with a chip on his shoulder after placing sixth in Event #1. Henry Gingerich, Setti's heads-up opponent, was in the same boat. Gingerich came into Event #5 with two cashes and a final table appearance where he finished in eighth. Setti would be the one to break through this time around though.

“I came back again. My wife didn’t know that I came here,” Setti mentioned. “I am really happy now. This is the first ring. She’ll be happy.”

Setti attributes his gold-ring victory to Yashveen Mudireddy, his friend and poker mentor. Mudireddy has one gold ring himself, a memento he captured back in 2105 at the Horseshoe Council Bluffs Circuit. After taking up poker around five years ago, Setti now boasts a ring of his own, but says he could not have done it without the help of Mudireddy.

“Yash... he’s the one that taught me the game and I owe this ring to him. Thank you very much Yash. I followed everything you said. This ring is literally for you,” Setti expressed after

Another attributing factor for Setti was his family. Setti lives in Omaha, Nebraska with his wife and two kids. The husband and father owns an IT consulting business. He loves to play poker as a hobby and does it for the fun, not for the money.

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Name:	Bhaskar Setti	Age:	44
Nationality:	Indian/USA	Profession:	IT Consultant/ Business Owner
Birthplace:	India	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	Omaha, Nebr.	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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