

WSOP CIRCUIT 2017-18 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop: Harrah's Atlantic City

(Atlantic City, N.J.)

Event: No-Limit Hold'em

Re-Entry

Buy-in: \$365

Date: 11 March 2018

Entries: 520

Prizepool: \$156,000

WILLIAM ANDERSON SCORES 2ND GOLD RING

Retired teacher achieves second Circuit title in less than two months.

William Anderson scored his second World Series of Poker title in a less than two months, late Saturday night. The 51-year-old from Chattanooga, Tennessee topped the initial tournament of the Harrah's Atlantic City Circuit series, Event #1: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry, which encompassed four starting flights and a total of 520 entrants.

"It is a quick turnaround... Tunica, when I won that one, that was amazing and to win one now, it's way amazing," Anderson said in awe, following his first-place finish.

The unlimited re-entry event took three days to complete. Anderson emerged from Flight D, the fourth and final starting leg. He admitted he was short-stacked most of the time, especially late in Day 1B, but hung on to advance with 80,000 in chips.

From there, Anderson chipped up on Day 2 and eventually made it to the final table where action was hard to come by.

"It was probably the tightest final table I've ever been on in my life," Anderson stated, as did other players among the final ten. "I think there were a lot of guys who had never been there. It was cool, but because of that it was a slow, slow draw."

It took nearly two hours for the field to drop one player. "No one wanted to go. But, I think it actually helped a little bit because I am very patient, and it worked out."

The triumph marks Anderson's second Circuit victory of the 2017/18 season. During the Horseshoe Tunica series, Anderson captured his debut gold ring and \$21,916 by winning the Six Max event. Adding to the grandeur of his two milestones, this was the first WSOPC Anderson played since his win in Tunica, solidifying a true back-to-back achievement.

"It's literally the first one I've played since then. It's just amazing," said Anderson. "I mean, I just started playing in August, on the Circuit... I retired and decided to try and give it a shot."

Anderson was a math teacher and baseball coach before retirement, two careers that he believes contributed to his knack for poker. However, there is an even bigger aspect that Anderson attributes his accomplishments to.

"I'll be honest with you... It's the guys in Chattanooga," Anderson answered when asked what has contributed to his WSOP success. "I mean, they encouraged me, and we have so many in Chattanooga that are really good players" he said. "The support I get from people in Chattanooga... They really help me; I learned from them. I don't think I'd ever be here today, so I give them a lot of credit."

MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

Name: William Anderson Age: 51

Nationality: USA Profession: Retired Teacher

Birthplace: Chattanooga, Tenn. WSOP Bracelets: 0

Current Residence: Chattanooga, Tenn Previous WSOP Circuit Rings: 1

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