



## WSOP CIRCUIT 2018-19 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop: Planet Hollywood (November)  
Event: Pot-Limit Omaha Re-Entry  
Buy-in: \$400

Date: 20 November 2018  
Entries: 106  
Prizepool: \$34,980

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### Kevin Gerhart Wins His First Ring in Pot-Limit Omaha

Kevin Gerhart became Planet Hollywood's Pot-Limit Omaha champion after defeating a 106-player field and capturing his first career WSOP Circuit ring. The win earned Gerhart the top prize of \$10,493 and netted him 50 Casino Championship points.

Gerhart, a 29-year-old poker pro, is originally from Ohio, but now lives in Las Vegas to be able to play poker tournaments regularly. According to Gerhart, pot-limit omaha is his best game and he does his best to find and play in as many PLO tournaments as he can. In the past two months and prior to this event, Gerhart has won one PLO tournament and finished runner-up in another.

"I play every PLO tournament I can," said Gerhart. "I love the game."

Gerhart entered Day 2 of the tournament third in chips out of the four remaining players. He said that anticipated coming into the day that he would end up against the start of Day 2 chip leader, Mesha Zakharov and that is exactly what happened.

Gerhart attributes his success in PLO to having a good feel for the game and taking advantage of the fact that many of his opponents are lesser experienced in the game. Gerhart said that it is much harder to find good information on PLO than it is on no-limit [hold'em](#) and that benefits him at the tables. Gerhart had another advantage in his corner when it comes to PLO. Gerhart's good friend and poker coach is PLO bracelet holder Ryan Laplante. Laplante won the \$565 Pot-Limit Omaha event at the Rio in the summer of 2016.

Gerhart wasn't the only player at the final table with prior tournament PLO experience. Third-place finisher Mitch Schock has found a lot of success in WSOP PLO tournaments.

Schock is the holder of one WSOP bracelet and two Circuit rings. His bracelet was won in 2011 in the \$2,500 Pot-Limit Hold'em/Pot-Limit Omaha mixed event. Also, one of Schock's rings came in PLO.

Gerhart had planned to play in the series' \$1,700 Main Event this weekend, but said now he may add a few more events to his schedule to chase the Casino Championship title. Unfortunately for Gerhart, this was the series' only pot-limit omaha event. If he wants to take down the Casino Championship and the free seat to the \$1 Million Guaranteed 2019 Global Casino Championship that comes along with it, he'll have to get it done in no-limit hold'em.

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## MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

Name:	Kevin Gerhart	Profession:	Poker
Nationality:	USA	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Age:	29	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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