



## WSOP CIRCUIT 2018-19 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Bicycle Hotel and Casino (Bell Gardens, CA)	Date:	9 December 2018
Event:	No-Limit Hold'em	Entries:	301
Buy-in:	\$600	Prizepool:	\$99,330

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### **HARRY ARUTYUNYAN WINS \$600 NO-LIMIT HOLD'EM**

*Arutyunyan continues his Circuit dominance over the last 18 months, earns third ring and \$36,420*

Over the last year and a half, Harry Arutyunyan has been a force on the Circuit. Since he is not a full-time poker pro, his work and family obligations keep him from playing a full schedule, but he still found a way to earn two Circuit rings last season.

He won his first ring of the 2018/2019 Circuit season on Sunday evening and the third of his career. He defeated the 301-entry field to take down his third title and \$36,420. He successfully battled fellow Southern California grinder, Peter Hengsakul, heads-up. Hengsakul earned \$22,525 for his runner-up finish.

Arutyunyan is a good friend of Sean Yu and Sohale Khalili, who each won another ring this series as well. Between the three of them, they have taken almost a third of the rings awarded thus far and earned a combined \$57,200.

The 34-year-old Glendale native came into the final table in the middle of the pack with regards to his chip stack. As players busted out and the table got shorter, his stack grew. He dominated short-handed play and held a massive chip lead over Hengsakul when heads-up play started, which resulted in just a two-hand heads-up match.

The stop at the Bike is one of the last Circuit stops of 2018, which puts Arutyunyan on pace to repeat the clinic he put on last year with another two rings in one season. With the victory, Arutyunyan moves in front of Yu and to the top of the leaderboard for the title of Casino Champion.

This was his second final table of the series. Even though by his own admission he isn't a fan of limit games, Arutyunyan finished eighth in the \$400 HORSE, which, ironically, was won by the man he overtook for the lead in the race.

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## **MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER**

Name: Harry Arutyunyan

Age: 34

Nationality: American

Profession: Entrepreneur

Birthplace: Glendale, CA

WSOP Bracelets: 0

Current Residence: Glendale, CA

Previous WSOP Circuit Rings: 2

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