



## WSOP CIRCUIT 2018-19 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Horseshoe Tunica (Tunica, MS)	Date:	26 April 2019
Event:	#1: NLHE Big-Blind Ante 1-Day	Entries:	260
Buy-in:	\$400	Prizepool:	\$85,800

### MICHAEL LEDFORD WINS OPENING EVENT AT TUNICA

*65-year-old retiree wins \$21,023 and first career Circuit ring in Event #1 triumph*

Michael Ledford, a retiree who's played poker all his life but has only become serious about the game in the past few years, has earned the largest poker payday of his career by winning the first official ring event at Circuit Horseshoe Tunica, \$400 No-Limit Hold'em Big Blind Ante (1 Day). Ledford's win, in only his third WSOP Circuit cash, brings him a \$21,023 payday along with a coveted gold Circuit ring.

The win didn't come easy for Ledford, who had to outlast Circuit regular Stephen Bierman to take down this win after several levels of fast-paced heads-up play. "I was just lucky today," said Ledford, who was both thrilled and exhausted after the lengthy duel.

Though born in the Detroit suburbs, Ledford is virtually a lifelong Mississippian, as his family moved here when he was very young. He says he "worked a gas pump" for many years before finally retiring and having the chance to get more serious about poker, which he says he's been playing since age six.

### MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

Name:	Michael Ledford	Age:	65
Nationality:	USA	Profession:	Retired
Birthplace:	Dearborn, Mich.	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	Dickson, Tenn.	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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