



WSOP CIRCUIT 2019-20 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Choctaw (Durant, Okla.)	Date:	4 November 2019
Event:	No-Limit Hold'em (1 Day)	Entries:	255
Buy-in:	\$400	Prizepool:	\$84,150

JEFF HOOD TOPS TURBO FOR 1ST GOLD RING

Relative newcomer to the game bags Circuit title as his second-ever WSOP cash.

Jeff Hood pulled off a turbo-style triumph during the World Series of Poker Circuit series at Choctaw Durant late Saturday night. Event #6: \$400 No-Limit Hold'em (1 Day) drew total of field of 255 and out of those entries Hood was ultimately the last man standing.

Turbos can make for very treacherous waters at times. Hood did enter the final table as one of the chip leaders. However, the margin was so small, he was hardly in the clear.

“When you get up to these levels it just moves so fast, the chip lead doesn’t really matter. It’s a reset basically,” said Hood. “I looked pretty grim when I lost a big hand heads up, but I was able to recover, which was very nice.”

It did not take long for the final table participants to begin dropping. Around 2:00 a.m. it had boiled down to Hood and Bobby Fuentes. After taking a substantial hit early on, Hood managed to find his bearings, get some cards, and pull off a comeback win.

The 53-year-old out of Austin, Texas earned his first WSOP gold ring and just under \$20,000 for his victorious run, tacking on a momentous score to go along with one prior cash, another final-table finish back in February of 2019.

“That was my first tournament [series] I went to,” Hood mentioned, referring to the most recent Rio Circuit in Las Vegas. “That one, I should have been more aggressive. Seventh was great, but this feels really good to get this ring.”

Final-table finishes can leave players yearning for what could have been. This time around it was nothing but satisfaction for Hood who is relatively new to the world of poker.

“I started playing about three years ago,” Hood disclosed. “We have a kind of game in our office a guy invited me to. He mentored me. Steve Rosser is his name. Read a lot of books. Took Negreanu’s Master Class. Read a lot of stuff and got good experience.”

Although young in practice, Hood has been diligent with his studies since entering the poker scene. Only three years in and the semi-retired Patent Lawyer has already reached the WSOP gold ring club.

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Name:	Jeff Hood	Age:	53
Nationality:	USA	Occupation:	Patent Lawyer
Birthplace:	Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	Austin, Tex.	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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