



WSOP CIRCUIT 2019-20 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Choctaw (Durant, Okla.)	Date:	10 November 2019
Event:	No-Limit Hold'em (2 Flights)	Entries:	494
Buy-in:	\$250	Prizepool:	\$100,000

RODNEY SPRIGGS COLLECTS 2ND WSOP GOLD RING

Missouri native ends Choctaw Circuit stint with second circuit title run.

Rodney Spriggs pulled off his second World Series of Poker title run Sunday, by taking down a 494-entry field in Event #12: \$250 No-Limit Hold'em (2 Flights) at Choctaw Durant. The 53-year-old was awarded the top purse of \$20,317, 50 Casino Championship points, and a WSOP gold ring for his victory in the multi-flight tournament.

Making it through Flight B on Saturday, Spriggs entered Day 2 as third in chips out of 28 survivors. The final table was reached on Day 2 and, following the redraw, there were two standout stretches where Spriggs caught fire.

"Was up to 1.9 million at this table and had basically double anybody else. Had a couple nasty hands. Ended up, five-handed, being the short stack with only 400,000. Blinds got big and then I got super hot again," Spriggs stated, recounting his final table experience.

Play slowed down significantly during four-handed play. Chips seemed to remain even, and each competitor was holding his own.

"All four players played very good," stated Spriggs. "Eric Bunch, went out fourth, made a lot of final tables and played super strong. The other guys played really, really well too. Nobody wanted to bust, but everybody's timing was really good."

After a stalemate period, Spriggs began to encounter his spree of premium cards and flop connections. That, paired with picking the right times not to push in, propelled him to his second WSOP gold ring.

The Joplin, Missouri native claimed his first gold ring in March of 2018 at the other Oklahoma-based Circuit, Hard Rock Tulsa. Spriggs attends nearby WSOP Circuits as well as other tournament poker series when he can.

“I still work full time. I’m CEO of a retail company... I’ll work a ton and build up time so I can come here,” mentioned Spriggs. “I don’t always stay for the whole series. This time I did.”

During his time at the current Choctaw Circuit, Spriggs made an earlier final table appearance in Event #6 but ended up going out in 4th place. Fortunately, he returned for redemption, ending his Circuit stint on a golden, high note.

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Name:	Rodney Spriggs	Age:	53
Nationality:	USA	Occupation:	CEO
Birthplace:	Joplin, Mo.	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	Joplin, Mo.	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	1

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