



## WSOP CIRCUIT 2021-22 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Choctaw (Durant, Okla.)	Date:	12 January 2022
Event:	No-Limit Hold'em Bounty	Entries:	284
Buy-in:	\$400	Prizepool:	\$79,520

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### LORI GANSEL SCORES DEBUT RING IN \$400 NO-LIMIT HOLD'EM BOUNTY

*Second bullet and additional Day 1 level leads Lori Gansel to Bounty winner's circle.*

Late last night, after an extended Day 1, Lori Gansel became a World Series of Poker Circuit champ by closing out Ring Event #6: \$400 No-Limit Hold'em Bounty. The Virginia native, now living in Texas, picked up her first gold ring along with the top prize of \$17,349.

"Pretty fantastic. I did not see this when I got up this morning. You always hope," Lori responded when asked how it felt to win a gold ring. "I almost didn't fire a second bullet today, but I'm glad that I did."

Level 24 came to a close, which was meant to be the end of Day 1 for Ring Event #6. Lori Gansel and Grant Elmer were heads up for the title after an exhausting day and the two opponents were ready to call it a night and bag up their stacks for Day 2.

"We were hoping they were going to let us go, but we were down to heads up and they said we have to play one more level. We're like 'Ok, let's go ahead and knock it out,'" explained Gansel

And knock it out they did. Within the first few minutes of heads-up action, a pair of fateful hands were dealt. Gansel and Elmer got all their chips in, preflop. Elmer was crushed at the sight of Gansel's Ace-King. He turned up Ace-Queen and was effectively pipped.

Big Slick held strong, and after a count from the Dealer, it was revealed that Gansel had Elmer covered by a slim margin, ending the tournament.

The last bounty of Ring Event #6 was awarded to Gansel as she celebrated the momentous occasion with her rail, Ruth “Ruthless” Hall. Later she touched on the support that comes from being a part of the Women’s Poker Association.

“It’s awesome. Every time I come up here, I see a lot of the ladies I’ve played with in the ladies’ games, like Katie [Offutt]... Ruth [Hall], of course. She was my rail all day today,” said Gansel.

In total, Gansel procured nine bounties throughout play, worth a sum of \$450. To put a cherry on top, Gansel is also awarded a seat to the Tournament of Champions, a \$1,000,000 freeroll happening in Las Vegas during the 2022 WSOP.

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## MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

Name:	Lori Gansel	Current Residence:	Georgetown, TX
Nationality:	USA	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Birthplace:	Sterling, VA	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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