



WSOP CIRCUIT 2021-22 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Thunder Valley Casino	Date:	24 January 2022
Event:	Series Finale	Entries:	173
Buy-in:	\$250	Prizepool:	\$34,600

NICOLAS GARCIA STRIKES WINS THE SERIES FINALE

Nicolas Garcia strikes gold in the final event of the series.

Nicolas Garcia becomes the last winner of the Thunder Valley WSOP Circuit after taking down the \$250 Series Finale. The 54-year-old from Tampico, Mexico, outlasted a field of 173 entrants to earn \$8,874 and his first WSOP Circuit gold ring. He also earns a seat in the Tournament of Champions, which will be held in Las Vegas in the summer of 2022.

When he is not playing poker, Garcia shares his time between dealing cards and coaching youth soccer. Luckily, he was able to get away for the weekend to fire the \$250 Series Finale, a decision that paid off.

“I’m really happy. The last two years have been tough for me. I went through three surgeries that prevented me from playing poker, but I am happy I was able to play this one – now I’m back in business,” the winner said.

The fast structure of the one-day event allowed it to get down to a final table after less than seven hours. Garcia was up against tough competition at the Final Table, including ring winner Robert Angeleri, and Bicycle Casino Circuit Main event finalist, Hennessee Fessehaie. Fessehaie made a deep run in the WSOP Circuit Main Event at the Bike in the end of 2021 and continued his hot run by finishing 6th in the \$250 Series Finale after eventually running in to Garcia.

Garcia was relentless at the final table and busted six out of his eight opponents.

“Early I had pocket-aces, and someone pushed all-in with pocket-eights, and the aces held up I had a feeling it was going to be a good tournament right from the start,” said Garcia.

The 173 entrants generated a prizepool of 34,600, and Garcia earned \$8,874 for the win.

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Name:	Nicolas Garcia	Current Residence:	Merced, CA.
Nationality:	Mexico	Age:	53
Birthplace:	Tampico Tamaulipas	Profession:	Card Dealer

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