



**Circuit Stop:** Horseshoe Hammond  
**Event:** Main Event  
**Buy-in:** \$1,700

**Date:** 30 September 2024  
**Entries:** 746  
**Prizepool:** \$1,130,190

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## MICHAEL ESTES WINS MAIN EVENT AT HORSESHOE HAMMOND

*Estes claims WSOPC ring in hometown Main Event.*

Michael Estes was the overnight chip leader for the final table of the \$1,700 World Series of Poker Circuit main event but never felt like it was his to win. He overcame a back-and-forth heads-up match to win his second WSOPC ring, a seat in the Tournament of Champions and \$198,576.

"I don't know how it feels yet - I'm still trying to process this," Estes said moments after winning. "It's simply amazing. I wanted this really bad."

"The final table was great," he said. "That's because of me - I'm so nice," Estes joked. "No, everybody here was absolutely professional and nice. We understood that we all each couldn't win."

"I worried every single moment of the final table," Estes added. "This hat is AT LEAST 26-years-old, it used to be red and used to be put together. I think we only have a couple more years left and hopefully I'll get another ring before it breaks."

Heads-up play between Estes and Grant Keller saw both players exchange the chip lead before Estes closed out the win. He flopped top pair with a queen, Keller had pocket fours and said he was a non-believer in Estes' bet.

It's the largest WSOP score of Estes career by a significant margin, has 45 career cashes and six final tables.

Jacob Fishbein, Christopher Weber and Mykhailo Lendel were eliminated late in play on Sunday night before play wrapped up. Max Sheridan was the first casualty of Monday when his [As] [8h] failed to connect and Kris Magruder's [Ac] [Kh] ended his day.

Mark Cahill mis-timed his all in shove when holding pocket fours and Magruder flopped trip fives. Then, Sargon Guliana flopped top pair with a king, Estes made a straight and Guliana's chips slid next door to Estes.

Magruder's run ended when his pocket eights were out-flopped by Estes' [Qh] [Th] that rivered two pair.

### Final Table Payouts

1. Michael Estes - \$198,576
2. Grant Keller - \$132,386
3. Kristopher Magruder - \$91,159
4. Sargon Guliana - \$63,981
5. Mark Cahill - \$45,789
6. Max Sheridan - \$33,426
7. Mykhailo Lendel - \$24,901
8. Christopher Weber - \$18,937
9. Jacob Fishbein - \$14,709

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## MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

<b>Name:</b>	Michael Estes	<b>Age:</b>	47
<b>Nationality:</b>	USA	<b>Profession:</b>	Poker Pro
<b>Birthplace:</b>	Chicago, IL.	<b>WSOP Bracelets:</b>	0
<b>Current Residence:</b>	Chicago, IL	<b>Previous Rings:</b>	1

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