



**2011-2012 World Series of Poker Circuit  
Season Eight  
IP Casino Resort and Spa  
Final Report  
Event #12  
No-Limit Hold'em  
Buy-In: \$345  
Total Entries: 119  
Total Prize Pool: \$34,629  
November 6-7, 2011**

## HE GETS TWO RINGS?!

Aaron Brant Wins Event 12 at IP Biloxi.

Biloxi, MS (November 7, 2011) — No. He doesn't get *two* rings, but Aaron Brant came to Day 2 of the \$345 No-Limit Hold'em tournament at IP Casino Resort and Spa prepped for a winner's shot just in case.

Brant won a ring at IP last year. When Day 2 of Event 12 started earlier today, he decided to pack the piece of hardware in case there was a reason he'd need it. That preparation paid off as Brant worked his way through 119 players to take home his second Circuit ring. Needless to say, the winner's shot included both rings and the pocket twos he used to win the second.

Event 12 had a prizepool of \$34,629 and paid the top 12 finishers. Brant earned \$10,390 for his win.

The final table included 19-time casher and two-time Circuit champion, Chris Tryba. The rest of the table looked like this:

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| <b>Final Table:</b> | Seat 1 | Ricky Harrington  | Johnson Bayou, LA | 27,000  |
|                     | Seat 2 | Michael Schneider | Covington, KY     | 53,000  |
|                     | Seat 3 | Aaron Brant       | Daphne, AL        | 222,000 |
|                     | Seat 4 | Chris Tryba       | Las Vegas, NV     | DNR     |
|                     | Seat 5 | Tom Franklin      | Gulfport, MS      | 100,000 |
|                     | Seat 6 | Shawn Steele      | Pensacola, FL     | 109,000 |
|                     | Seat 7 | John Evans        | Granbury, TX      | 123,000 |
|                     | Seat 8 | Larry Gurney      | Kingston, XX      | 80,000  |
|                     | Seat 9 | Ricky Romero      | New Iberia, LA    | 135,000 |

Brant is a 31-year-old restaurant and nightclub manager and semi-pro poker player from Daphne, Alabama. He attended the University of South Alabama and graduated with a degree in accounting. He has considered turning pro, but the idea of traveling all year doesn't appeal to him.

With his victory, the Circuit events at IP Biloxi have concluded. The 12-day series, making a stop at the IP for the second consecutive year, was a huge success. Twelve champions were crowned and two players, Jerry Monroe and local man Gene Dudek, were awarded seat to the \$1 Million National Championship in Las Vegas.

Monroe earned his seat with a dominating performance in the Main Event that included a heads-up match that only lasted three hands. Dudek earned his seat by making three final tables and winning the Casino Championship. Both players will make the trip to Las Vegas this spring for their shot at a gold bracelet.

