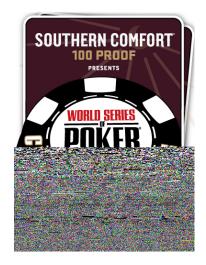
2012/2013 World Series of Poker Circuit Season Nine IP Casino Resort and Spa Biloxi, Mississippi Event #10 No-Limit Hold'em Buy-In \$300 (+\$65) Total Entries: 169 Prize Pool: \$50,700

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PATRICK SMITH BESTS REX CLINKSCALES HEADS-UP AT IP BILOXI

Somphone Sengsauvanh makes third final table of 2012-13 IP series, unable to de-throne Ashly Butler atop Casino Champion's leaderboard.

Biloxi, MS (August 18, 2012) — Patrick Smith beat WSOP Circuit regular Rex Clinkscales heads-up in Event #10 at IP Casino Resort and Spa in Biloxi, MS early Saturday morning.

Clinkscales came to the final table of the \$365 No-Limit Hold'em tournament second in chips and his first ring was well within reach. During three-handed play, Clinkscales held a sizeable chip lead, but was unable to close the deal as Smith eliminated the tournament's third-place finisher, Somphone Sengsauvanh, and heads-up play began near even in chips.

Sengsauvanh has now appeared at three final tables during the 2012-13 series in Biloxi. He has carded seventh, fourth and third place finishes, but has been unable to breakthrough for his first win. The Casino Champion's race is still up in the air as Sengsauvanh's string of deep runs has landed him 77.5 points, just 10 points behind the leader Ashly Butler with two events remaining.

Smith was awarded 50 points toward the Casino Champion's race for the winning performance. The 40-year-old from Montgomery, AL has more than \$240,000 in career earnings spanning the course of just nine cashes. This marked his second WSOP Circuit final table and he also placed fourth in a \$1,500 No-Limit Hold'em event at the WSOP this summer.

This marks the second time Clinkscales has finished as the runner up in the calendar year of 2012.

This was the tenth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at IP Biloxi. Officially listed as Event #10, the \$365 buy-in No-Limit Hold'em tournament attracted 169 entrants. The total prize pool came to \$50,700. The top 18 finishers were paid. Smith was awarded \$13,689 for first. All players who cashed received WSOP Circuit National Championship ranking points.

The one-day tournament began at 12 p.m. local time Friday. It took just shy of nine hours and 30 minutes (including a one-hour dinner break) to reach the nine-handed final table. Play finished at