

## **2012/2013 World Series of Poker Circuit**

**Season Nine**

**Choctaw Casino Resort**

**Durant, OK**

**Event #10**

**No-Limit Hold'em Turbo**

**Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)**

**Total Entries: 356**

**Prize Pool: \$106,800**

**January 17, 2013**

### **Austin Apicella Wins Second Turbo Ring**

**Andrew Robinson finishes fourth, leads Casino Championship with two events remaining.**

**Durant, OK. (January 18, 2013)** — Austin Apicella made the most of his second final table appearance at the 2012-2013 WSOP Circuit at Choctaw Resort by outlasting the final nine entrants in Event 10 and winning his second WSOP Circuit gold ring.

The 29-year-old school principal from Fair Oaks Ranch, Tex. was awarded \$24,569 and 50 points toward the Casino Championship for besting the \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Turbo tournament.

His previous gold ring championship came earlier this year in a Harvey's Lake Tahoe turbo event. Apicella's WSOP resume now boasts three cashes all coming in the form of final table appearances.

Three of the final table participants at Choctaw Resort Thursday night had a shot to overtake the two-way tie atop the Casino Championship Leaderboard; Apicella, Andrew Robinson and Samir Bhatia. Apicella recorded a sixth place finish in Event 6 worth 22.5 points, while Robinson recorded second and 13th place finishes totaling 47.5 points. Bhatia brought 20 points to the final table.

All three players chased Event 1 champion James Henson and Event 6 champion Kevin Eyster who lead the race with 60 points.

Robinson, who only the night before finished runner up in an event that stretched until 5 a.m., was the first to go, but it didn't matter. He finished fourth and earned 27.5 points, bringing his total to 75 points and putting himself out of reach of both Apicella and Bhatia.

Apicella's victory for 50 points and Bhatia's third place finish for 30 points weren't enough to overtake Robinson. Apicella sits second and Bhatia is 15 points shy of the lead. Two events remain and Apicella is only a min-cash away from tying Robinson atop the leaderbaord.

Apicella and Robinson are among the field in Day 1A of the \$1,675 No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry Main Event which is underway now.

