



**2012-2013 World Series of Poker Circuit  
Season Nine  
Harrah's Tunica  
Event #8  
Pot-Limit Omaha  
Buy-In: \$365  
Total Entries: 162  
Total Prize Pool: \$48,600  
January 30 – January 31, 2013**

## **Bombs Away! Chris “BiloxiBomber” Conrad Wins PLO Event at Harrah’s Tunica**

### **Defeats good friend, Michael “Carwash” Schneider heads up to claim his first WSOPC Gold Ring**

TUNICA, MS – “You know, I’m tired of everybody giving me crap about not having a ring!” Chris Conrad announced to the rail as he sat down to heads up play.

Clearly, somebody had a huge monkey on his back.

After numerous WSOP Circuit Final Tables, seven to be exact, Conrad was as close as ever to finally owning a piece of WSOPC hardware. There was only caveat to him sealing the win. He had to do so at the expense of close friend, Michael “Carwash” Schneider.

From the tone of the two players, it was clear that this Circuit Event finale would be much different than others.

“It was a bit weird playing him heads up,” said Conrad after the win.

Schneider concurred. “I didn’t have fun heads up. It wasn’t fun to lose a pot, but also taking a pot from Chris also wasn’t so fun.”

By virtue, poker players are in the business of taking each other’s money, but despite this, many strong bonds are formed among them. While it’s often business as usual even between good friends, it was clear that Conrad and Schneider shared a strong mutual sense of admiration and respect.

However, Schneider, who had finished as the runner up in four previous major PLO events, had his own monkey to shake off, so the two players cast aside everything personal and got to business.

After a three-hour heads up battle, “BiloxiBomber” had come out on top. The two started nearly even in chips, but after taking a huge pot, Conrad kept Schneider at bay with a 3-1 lead and was able to close it out shortly after midnight. For the win, Conrad was awarded \$13,122 and his first WSOP Circuit Gold Ring.

“It feels good. I was tired of everybody telling me I didn’t have a ring,” Conrad said after the win. “It was fun, but it wasn’t. I wished Schneider could get the win but I had to do my thing.”

Event #8, \$365 Pot-Limit Omaha drew 162 entries for a total prize pool of \$48,600. Play for the day ended once the final 16 were in the money and after less than an hour on day two, were down to the final table.

Final table play was steady as each of the final players fell one by one. Doug “Rico” Carli extended his streak of all-time most cashes with a tenth place finish while local poker room manager, Jake Bush was the third place finisher.

With the win, Conrad also picked up 50 points toward the Casino Champion points race at Harrah's Tunica, while he is a long shot to overtake the current points leader here at Tunica, John Holley, he now has a total of 142.5 points toward his at-large bid for one of the 60 National Championships seats to be awarded in May.

Haven finally gotten over the Circuit gold ring hump, "BiloxiBomber" gave fair warning to those players at the top of the ring leader race.

"I'm coming after Kyle Cartwright and Alex Masek,"

"Someday, maybe."

4 events are still to come. See the complete Harrah's Tunica Circuit schedule and event results [here](#). The WSOP Circuit Events at Harrah's Tunica runs through February 4<sup>th</sup>. You can find the complete 2012-2013 WSOP Circuit schedule [here](#).

### **ABOUT HARRAH'S TUNICA**

Harrah's Tunica is located 20 minutes south of Memphis, Tennessee and was originally opened in 1996 as Grand Casino. On May, 23, 2008 Paula Deen cut the official grand opening ribbon at Harrah's Tunica featuring the first of its kind Paula Deen Buffet and an interactive gaming floor that is the largest in the region. Spanning over 2,000 acres Harrah's Tunica features the Links at Cottonwoods championship golf course designed by Hale Irwin, Willows Sporting Clays and Hunting Center, the Mid-South Convention Center offering over 65,000 square feet of indoor meeting space, three elegant hotels totaling 1356 hotel rooms, the 200-space Mid-South RV Resort, Bellissimo Spa and Salon, and a 2,400 seat event center that features headline entertainment.

### **ABOUT THE WSOP**

The World Series of Poker (WSOP) is the largest, richest and most prestigious gaming event in the world awarding millions of dollars in prize money and the prestigious gold bracelet, globally recognized as the sport's top prize. Featuring a comprehensive slate of tournaments in every major poker variation, the WSOP is poker's longest running tournament in the world, dating back to 1970. In 2012, the event attracted 74,766 entrants from 101 different countries to the Rio in Las Vegas and awarded over \$222 million in prize money. In addition, the WSOP has formed groundbreaking alliances in broadcasting, digital media and corporate sponsorships, while successfully expanding the brand internationally with the advent in 2007 of the World Series of Poker Europe. The WSOP Circuit Tour is entering its ninth season in 2012-13. For more information on the World Series of Poker, please visit [www.WSOP.com](http://www.WSOP.com).

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