

**2012-2013 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season Nine
Horseshoe Casino
Council Bluffs, Iowa
Event #4
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 186
Prize Pool: \$55,800
April 14-15, 2013**



Jason Mayfield Gets the Monkey off his Back in Event 4

Most recent champion sets the pace in the race to New Orleans and the WSOP National Championship Presented by Southern Comfort 100 Proof.

Doug “Rico” Carli earns 103rd WSOP-related cash, extends all-time lead.

Council Bluffs, Iowa (April 16, 2013) — Jason Mayfield has most certainly put in his time on the WSOP Circuit. Between September of 2007 and now, he racked up 26 WSOP-related cashes and four final tables. He finished 8th, 3rd and 2nd, but his most recent final table appearance is the one that will stay with him the longest.

The finale in question took place Monday night at Horseshoe Casino in Council Bluffs, Iowa and it was that of Event 4, a \$365 No-Limit Hold'em tournament. Mayfield bested the other eight participants in two short hours, earning his largest WSOP cash, his first gold ring and taking the Casino Championship lead in the process.

“When you get so close, you want it more each time,” Mayfield said of his past shortcomings.

He came to the Event 4 final table as the second player to make multiple final table appearances through the first four events at Council Bluffs. David Sutton, the other player to do so, finished 2nd in Event 2 and 8th in Event 3, amassing 55 points and taking the early lead in the Casino Championship.

Mayfield needed a 5th-place finish to tie Sutton and a 4th-place finish or better to take the lead outright, but standing in his way was the man they call Rico, Doug Carli.

Carli is a bit of a legend on the WSOP Circuit, cashing in seemingly every event he plays. Prior to tonight, the now-57-year-old retired stockbroker had recorded an astonishing 102 WSOP-related cashes including 27 final tables and two gold ring championships since January 2005.

Rico added to his legend in Event 4, finishing 8th and earning his 103rd career WSOP-related cash, seven better than Phil Hellmuth's 96. Needless to say, Mayfield was thankful to see Carli come into the finale short stacked and needing some help.

With Rico's early exit, Mayfield made short work of the rest of the competition and eventually bested David Yee heads-up earning 50 points and bringing his total to 80, 25 clear of Sutton now in second place.

Eight ring events remain in the 2012-2013 Council Bluffs series and like the Event 3 champion before him, Mayfield vows to play as many as he can.

Event 4 was the fourth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at Horseshoe Council Bluffs. The \$365 No-Limit Hold'em tournament attracted 186 entries. The total prize pool came to \$55,800 and the top 21 players were paid.

Day 1 began Sunday at 2 p.m. and lasted 18 levels. Day 2 began Monday at 3 p.m. with 24 players remaining. The nine-handed final table began at 6:30 and play finished at about 9:30 p.m. making the total duration of the final table three hours with a one-hour dinner break.

Notes on the Event

- Doug "Rico" Carli finished 8th and recorded his 103rd WSOP-related cash.
- Jason Mayfield could have tied the Casino Champion's lead with a 5th place finish.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during Horseshoe Council Bluff's 12 combined gold ring tournaments will earn the title Casino Champion and receive automatic entry into the WSOP National Championship Presented by Southern Comfort 100 Proof.

All players who cash in ring events receive points that apply toward the Casino Champion's race and the season-long race to claim one of the 60 at-large National Championship bids awarded to the top point earners throughout the season. More information on the points system is available on WSOP.com.

Here is the list of gold ring winners from Horseshoe Council Bluffs:

EVENT #1: Nick Jivkov defeated 260 players (\$365 NLH) for \$19,110.

EVENT #2: Jovan Sudar defeated 148 players (\$365 NLH Turbo) for \$12,434.

EVENT #3: Zach Smith defeated 562 players (\$365 NLH Re-Entry) for \$35,397.

EVENT #4: Jason Mayfield defeated 186 players (\$365 NLH) for \$14,505.

With the fourth tournament wrapped, eight more ring events remain at Horseshoe Council Bluffs. For more information about the World Series of Poker Circuit, be sure to follow us on Twitter @WSOP or check out WSOP.com. For additional information please contact:

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