

2012/2013 World Series of Poker Circuit Season Nine Caesars Atlantic City Atlantic City, NJ Event #11 No-Limit Hold'em Buy-In \$300 (+65) Total Entries: 214

Prize Pool: \$64,200 March 10-11, 2013

Martin Baum Wins Event 11

USDA Employee from Kansas Makes Dramatic Comeback and Wins First WSOP Circuit Gold Ring

WSOP Circuit at Caesars Atlantic City Concludes

Atlantic City, NJ (March 11, 2013) – Martin Baum won the eleventh gold ring offering on the Caesars Atlantic City schedule.

The United States Department of Agriculture employee from Kansas won his first WSOP Circuit gold ring. He also pocketed \$16,050 in prize money.

Baum staged a dramatic last-gasp comeback, beating Phillip Hui in heads-up play. In fact, Hui – who was seeking his first win – had Baum covered by about 10 to 1. All that seemed in question was, how long would it take to put Baum away.

Well, that turned out to be - *forever*.

Baum managed to win at least one ridiculous hand when he had all but given up the tournament. Just as he was walking away about to shake hands with the "winner," everyone discovered it was a split pot. Baum sat back down. He doubled up. Again and again. Half an hour later, all the chips were his. So was the gold ring.

Although he was sportsmanlike in defeat, the loss was devastating to Hui, who it seemed would finally get his golden prize after paying dues for quite a time on the WSOP Circuit. He' watched as many friends and colleagues around him have collected jewelry, the closest of which is two-time WSOP Circuit title holder Loni Harwood. At least for now, Hui will have to wait a bit longer.

Baum is married and is 36-years-old. This was his first time to cash in a WSOP-related tournament

The final table finishers were as follows:

1st Martin Baum

Eudora, KS, US

\$16,050

2nd	Phillip Hui	San Antonio, TX, US	\$9,920
3rd	Arshin Gamini	Plano, TX, US	\$7,220
4th	Charles Cox	Stem, NC, US	\$5,340
5th	Simon Thommen	Issaquah, WA, US	\$4,011
6th	Nicholas Giovine	Old Bridge, NJ, US	\$3,059
7th	Rex Clinkscales	Las Vegas, NV, US	\$2,369
8th	Timothy Szymanski	Middle River, MD, US	\$1,862
9th	Anthony Lategano	Atlantic City, NJ, US	\$1,485

Tournament Notes

- This was the 11th gold ring event (of 12) of this year's WSOP Circuit being played at Caesars Atlantic City.
- The two-day tournament began with 214 players. After 14 hours of play on Day One, only nine survivors remained.
- Final table play lasted only about four hours.
- The final table included no gold ring winners, which guaranteed a first-time winner.
- This was Rex Clinkscales' 13th cash of this Circuit season. That is the most of any player this season and puts his Circuit point total at 265—the most of any player. This was also his eighth final table appearance of this season. Despite many close calls, Clinkscales has yet to win a ring.

The winner Martin Baum accumulated 50 points for his victory. However, he is not in contention to catch Christopher Leong, who will win the Casino Champion race.

Leong accumulated the most overall points in Caesars Atlantic City's twelve combined gold ring tournaments and received automatic entry into the \$1 Million 2012-13 WSOP National Championship Presented by Southern Comfort 100 Proof. Leong joins the winner of the \$1,675 buy-in Main Event (Joseph McKeehen), who also won an automatic seat.

Baum may still qualify. All players who cash in gold ring events receive points that apply to the season-long race to claim one of the 60 at-large National Championship bids to be awarded to the top point earners throughout the season. More information on the points system is available on WSOP.com.

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