2012/2013 World Series of Poker Circuit

Season Nine

The Lodge Casino

Black Hawk, CO

Event #4

No-Limit Hold'em

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

Total Entries: 219

Prize Pool: \$65,700

March 17-18, 2013

Ryan Lenaghan Adds Gold to his List of Accolades

2011 WSOP Main Event 16th place finisher scores his first ring in Colorado.

Black Hawk, Colo. (March 19, 2013) — Ryan Lenaghan is most widely recognized for his 16th place finish in the 2011 WSOP Main Event for which he earned almost \$400,000. Chances are the layman might not recognize his name, but surely one could recognize his face. It was plastered all over ESPN during their coverage of the championship finale, after all.

"I learned to trust my instincts; trust my read; go for it if I feel like it's the right move," Lenaghan said of what he took away from the Main Event.

He certainly went for it Monday night at The Lodge Casino in Black Hawk, Colo. Lenaghan bested 219 entrants in Event 4, a \$365 No-Limit Hold'em tournament. The \$16,426 payday pales in comparison to his Main Event score, but the victory holds value far greater than money.

As two of the more experienced players at the table, it was no surprise the heads-up battle came down to Lenaghan and Krzysztof Stybaniewicz. Stybaniewicz, who became the first person to make multiple final tables at The Lodge Casino, hails from Denver and won his first ring earlier this season at The Bicycle Casino. His accomplishments include seven WSOP Circuit cashes, three final tables, and a win.

"He played really well. I just got lucky on him," Lenaghan would say of the duel. "We played together a lot of the tournament and were kind of staying out of each other's way. I thought he was one of the better players for sure."

Lucky or not, Lenaghan has proven he belongs in the late stages of a tournament. His WSOP resume includes 16 cashes and seven final tables. Additionally, his score in Event 4 moves him over the \$600,000 mark in career earnings.

In addition to prize money and his first ring, Lenaghan was awarded 50 points toward the Casino Championship and the WSOP National Championship Presented by Southern Comfort 100 Proof. The score moves him upward of 130 points on the national leaderboard, a number many