



44th Annual World Series of Poker
Rio All-Suite Hotel and Casino Las Vegas, Nevada
Event 18
No Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: \$1,000
Number of Entries: 2,071
Total Prize Pool: \$1,863,900
Number of Places Paid: 216
First Place Prize: \$340,260
June 9 -June 11, 2013

At the start of the final table, it seemed like things were going to be a piece of cake for the 24-year-old California poker pro Taylor Paur at the final table. He came into the final table with the chip lead and that stack only got bigger when he knocked both Kyle Cartwright and Ryan Austin in a single hand when he picked up pocket aces to their pocket queens and pocket jacks.

The rest of the final table was, indeed, smooth sailing for Paur, until it got to heads-up against Roy Weiss of Smithtown, New York. During the early stages of heads-up play, both were content to spar in small pots. However, coming back from dinner, Weiss had a new approach to the game: he started open-shoving every hand.

The tactic was certainly an unorthodox one, but it did take a match that seemed to be in Paur's favor and turn it into a wildly swingy and memorable bout that saw numerous all-ins, come from behind double-ups, and some frustration and emotion from Paur, who could only patiently wait for the best hands and hope they hold up.

In the end, they did hold up and Paur managed to win his first gold bracelet in addition to \$340,260. Weiss didn't fare too poorly himself. He picked up \$211,794 for his first cash in his first-ever WSOP event.

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