44th Annual World Series of Poker
Rio All-Suite Hotel and Casino Las Vegas, Nevada
Event 46
Pot Limit Omaha Hi-Low
Buy-In: $3,000
Number of Entries: 435
Total Prize Pool: $1,187,550
Number of Places Paid: 45
First Place Prize: $279,094
June 25 -June 27, 2013

Vladimir Shchmelev's World Series of Poker resume got a serious upgrade in Event 46, a $3,000 Pot-Limit Omaha Hi-Low tournament. The 40-year-old resident of St. Petersburg, Russia outlasted a stacked field to win his first bracelet along with $279,094.

Sure, this marks Shchmelev's first victory, but don't let that fool you. In 2010, he carded a runner-up finish in the $50,000 Poker Players Championship and seventh-place finishes in the $10,000 Seven Card Stud and $10,000 Seven Card Stud Hi-Low events. He most recently finished eighth in the $5,000 Seven Card Stud Hi-Low just a few weeks ago, but it wasn't until Friday morning he earned his first bracelet.

In addition to the bracelet and prizes, Shchmelev became the 27th player to make multiple final table appearances at the 2013 WSOP. He outlasted two-time bracelet Mel Judah heads-up. Judah came up short of bracelet number three, but walked with $172,361.

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