2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit Foxwoods Resort Casino Event #12 No-Limit Hold 'em Turbo Buy-In: \$310 (+55)

Total Entries: 207

Total Prize Pool: \$62,245

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Parker Drew Accomplishes His Goal of a Circuit Ring. 44-year old Derivatives Expert wins the final Foxwoods Circuit Ring.

**Mashantucket, CT (August 19, 2013)** – Despite the fact that Parker Drew had never cashed in a WSOP Circuit event, his goal has always been to earn himself a Circuit Ring. In the final event at the Foxwoods Circuit series, Drew did just that.

The final event at the Foxwoods Circuit, the \$365 No-Limit Hold 'em Turbo, was the only one-day event on the schedule. A total of 207 players showed up to take their shot at one final Circuit Ring.

Among those players was James Campbell, winner of the \$580 No-Limit Hold 'em re-entry event just a week earlier at Foxwoods. The 50 points he earned for his victory put him in contention to pass Ryan Methia for the Casino Championship point lead. Campbell needed a sixth place finish or better to overtake Methia and earn his seat to the WSOP National Championship in Atlantic City.

Despite building chips early, Campbell fell short of his goal when he was eliminated just before the money bubble burst. With no other player remaining that could challenge Methia, he locked up the title of Foxwoods Casino Champion.

Meanwhile, the fast structure of the \$365 Turbo was anything but fast once we reached the final table. Despite getting from nine to six players rather quickly, the final six players battled it out for nearly four levels before anyone was eliminated. However, once Timothy Wright busted in sixth place, we quickly got heads-up.

Parker Drew and Manny Okrah then proceeded with a heads-up battle that would see both players hold the chip lead numerous times. In the end, Drew was finally able to send Okrah to the rail and claim his \$16,184 first place prize.

"I have wanted to get a ring." Drew said after his victory. "I've been trying for guite some time."

Well, his time finally came. With his first ever Circuit cash, Drew also took home his first Circuit Ring. The 44-year old Derivatives Expert from Harrison, NY took down the final event of the Foxwoods Circuit series and ended a great 12 days of poker on a high note.

## Notes on the Event

- -This is the fourth career Circuit cash for Jeffrey Gross. They have all been final tables.
- -9<sup>th</sup> place finisher Jonathan Gray finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Millionaire Maker at the 2013 World Series of Poker for \$534,505.

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Ryan Methia officially wins the Foxwoods Casino Championship points race. The player who accumulated the most overall points in Foxwoods' twelve combined gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives an automatic entry into the 2014 WSOP National Championship, as will the winner of the Foxwoods Main Event. All players who cash in ring events will receive points that apply to both the Casino Champion race and the season-long race to claim one of the 50 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 Foxwoods, so far:

EVENT #1: John Ting defeated 641 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$39,514

EVENT #2: Fabio D'Agata defeated 116 players (\$1,125 NLHE) for \$34,938

EVENT #3: Eric Judge defeated 137 players (\$365 O8B) for \$11,535

EVENT #4: Ketan Patel defeated 578 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$36,500

EVENT #5: James Campbell defeated 449 players (\$580 NLHE Re-entry) for \$49,825

EVENT #6: Ryan Methia defeated 276 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$19,919

EVENT #7: Grant Lang defeated 155 players (\$580 Six-Max) for \$31,891

EVENT #8: John Glasspool defeated 325 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$22,966

EVENT #9: Ari Engel defeated 235 players (\$580 NLHE) for \$29,634

EVENT #10: Jason Strasser defeated 591 players (\$1,675 NLHE) for \$186,600

EVENT #11: Joe Frizzi defeated 265 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$19,523

EVENT #12: Parker Drew defeated 207 players (\$365 NLHE Turbo) for \$16,184

With the twelfth tournament now wrapped up, the WSOP Circuit at Foxwoods Resort Casino has come to a conclusion.

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