2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit

Season 10 Horseshoe Casino Cincinnati, OH

Event #4

No-Limit Holder

Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65) Total Entries: 196 Prize Pool: \$58,800

September 23-25, 2013



Chris Parsons Perseveres in Event 4

Heads-up battle lasts five hours. Additional third day of play necessary to anoint a winner.

Cincinnati, OH (September 25, 2013) — Chris Parsons gave new meaning to the phrase "outlasting the competition" in Event 4 at Horseshoe Casino Cincinnati. Nothing seemed out of the ordinary when the 21-player re-start field narrowed to a final table in just over two hours on Day 2. Still no one batted an eyelash when play was three-handed by about 8 p.m.

Then the marathon began.

Parsons, Warren Sheaves and Peter Vitantonio took part in a three-handed battle that's estimated to have lasted about three hours. When Vitantonio exited third, though, the marathon was just beginning.

Parsons and Sheaves dueled until the early morning hours of Wednesday. After almost 13 hours of Day 2 play, tournament staff made the decision to bag the pair and return them to finish out the tournament at 2 p.m.

Cards were in the air promptly at 2 p.m. and, of course, it took Parsons just a few minutes to earn gold.

The victory marks the second gold ring for Parsons, a 27-year-old pro from the Cleveland area, and earns him \$15,289.

"It feels good," Parsons said of his win. "Neither of us wanted to lose. [Sheaves] was a really tough player. We became pretty good friends while we played for eight hours. I almost feel bad winning because I know how bad he wanted the ring."

Parsons is a battle-tested veteran of the WSOP Circuit. He qualified for the WSOP National Championship each of the last two years and realizes the importance of earning points toward the season-ending tournament early. Just moments after his win he was heard saying he needed another ring to lock up Casino Champion honors.