

2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit

Season 10

Horseshoe Casino

Cincinnati, OH

Event #11

No-Limit Hold'em

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

Total Entries: 138

Prize Pool: \$41,400

September 29-30, 2013



John Robertson Earns Gold in Cincinnati

Self-described “blue collar” poker player earns his first gold ring after 15 years of playing the game.

Cincinnati, OH (September 30, 2013) — John Robertson describes himself as a blue-collar poker player. He says he’s been playing the game professionally for 15 years and concentrates on small buy-in tournaments in his hometown of Las Vegas. The game is a living for him and nothing more. He’s not flashy. He’s pretty unassuming and he’s not in it for the glory.

But as of Monday evening at Horseshoe Cincinnati, he owns some gold jewelry.

Robertson outlasted 138 players in Event 11, a \$365 No-Limit Hold'em tournament. He earned \$11,589 as well as his first WSOP Circuit gold ring. Ideally, Robertson didn’t want to be playing in the \$365 event. He made the trip to Ohio to play in the \$1,675 finale and earned a seat into it in a satellite event.

“[My girlfriend and I] decided to come to Cincinnati on Thursday to play the Main Event. I got knocked out, so I played [Event 11]. It certainly worked out the way I wanted it to,” Robertson said.

While the newly-earned five-figure check in his pocket may elicit a bias, Robertson and his girlfriend enjoyed their impromptu trip to Queen City and vowed to return for subsequent Circuit events.

“We stayed at the Westin across from Fountain Square. Beautiful. Gorgeous,” Robertson said. “The city is great. The casino is brand new, so what can you say about it? It still smells like a new car.”

The final table was a breeze for the 15-year veteran of the game. He outlasted gold ring winner Brian Schultz (fifth) before besting yet another ring holder heads-up in Thomas Midena. The victory places Robertson in the winner’s club with these two and sends the self-proclaimed blue-collar poker player home with some flashy jewelry.

