2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit Season 10 Horseshoe Hammond Hammond, IN Event #4 Pot-Limit Omaha with Re-Buys

Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65) Total Entries: 146 Prize Pool: \$127,900 October 20-21, 2013



Fun Kevin Meeusen Bests His Buds

Event 3 final table boasts seven Chicago area grinders. Winner outlasts a handful of his close friends.

Hammond, IN (October 21, 2013) — Kevin "Fun Kev" Meeusen described Horseshoe Hammond as his "turf". The 42-year-old insurance salesmen calls Chicago home and when he isn't patronizing various establishments in the Chicago area he can likely be found on Hammond's felt.

"They call me Fun Kev for a reason," he joked. "I'm a lot of fun off the felt. On the felt I'm a lot of fun to be around, too, but it's maybe not for the right reasons."

Regardless of whether those around him viewed him as so, Meeusen was a barrel of fun Monday night at Horseshoe Casino. He bested 146 players in Event 4, a \$365 Pot-Limit Omaha with Re-Buys tournament, to earn his first WSOP Circuit gold ring and \$35,812.

The final table featured seven Chicago area players, most of whom Meeusen considers his close friends. Additionally, the rail was littered with some of Chicago's toughest talents including the Massey brothers and Kevin Saul.

"You could win a ring in front of your enemies and it would feel good," Meeusen said of playing for the hometown crowd. "When you have all the chips, it's always fun,"

In addition to a good lot of Chicago grinders and Meeusen's buddies, the \$365 Pot-Limit Omaha with Re-Buys field featured some of the best players the Circuit has to offer. Those to finish in the money included all-time WSOP Circuit cashes leader Doug "Rico" Carli (12th) and gold bracelet winner Bryan Campanello (11th).

The final table included the likes of gold bracelet winner Francesco Barbaro (9th) and Pawel Andrzejewski (2nd). Meeusen, primarily a cash player, was the only final table participant to not boast a previous WSOP-related cash.

"[To play against] the guys I hang out with, it was a lot of fun," Meeusen said. "There was a good energy in the room and it was a good vibe going on."