2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit Season 10 Horseshoe Hammond Hammond, IN Event #11 No-Limit Hold'em

Buy-In: \$500 (+\$80) Total Entries: 260 Prize Pool: \$130,000 October 27-28, 2013



Two for Two: Hussain Sajwani Earns Gold

Chicago area player lays claim to two career WSOP-related cashes, both coming in the form of Hammond gold ring victories.

Hammond, IN (October 28, 2013) — Hussain Sajwani's WSOP resume boasts a modest two cashes. On the surface, that stat would be considered notable at best.

If one were to delve a little deeper into his results, though, they'd find he made those two cashes count. The 26-year-old semi-professional poker player from the Chicago area broke through for his first cash and gold ring victory in a 2011 \$560 six-handed event in Hammond.

He remained cashless in the years since – that is, until Monday night.

He did it again in Event 11, a \$580 No-Limit Hold'em tournament, earning his second gold ring in just his second cash. In addition, the win sent him back to Chicago with \$31,851.

Despite the accolades, Sajwani admitted the victory was bittersweet.

"Overall I was trying to not go into poker as a profession. I feel like winning two [rings] is encouragement [to turn pro], though," Sajwani admitted.

His reluctance to the side, the victory is a timely one for the 26-year-old Pakistani-born Sajwani. He was on site for many of the preliminary events and wasn't able to record any cashes.

"This was pretty much my last event," Sajwani said.

Sajwani outlasted a decorated field that included gold ring winner Kevin Saul (24th), two-time gold ring winner Michael "Car Wash" Schneider (5th) and the Horseshoe Southern Indiana Casino Champion Patty Till (3rd).

"[I was] more relaxed [at this final table] than last time," Sajwani said. "There's wasn't as much anxiety or nervousness there. There was a plan I had in mind, so it was easier to conquer than my first time."

The Event 11 final table concluded in the shadow of the Main Event, a tournament Sajwani was