

**2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit  
Season 10  
Choctaw Resort and Casino  
Durant, OK  
Event #3  
No-Limit Hold'em Re-Entry  
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)  
Total Entries: 2,867  
Prize Pool: \$860,100  
January 10-12, 2014**



## **Chris Bowen Outlasts 2,867 in Choctaw Re-Entry**

**Weekend opener goes in the record books as the second largest tournament in Circuit history.**

**Bowen earns \$122,567, his first gold ring and takes the Casino Championship lead.**

**Durant, OK (January 13, 2014)** — Chris Bowen etched his name in the poker history books Monday evening at Choctaw Casino Resort by besting 2,867 in the \$365 re-entry ring event. The almost-3,000-player field marks the second largest tournament ever held in the Circuit's 10-year history behind only Horseshoe Hammond's 3,001-entrant event in 2011.

"It feels amazing," Bowen said following his win. "I'm still in shock, really."

Bowen, an amateur from Tyler, TX, earned his first gold ring, \$122,567 and 50 points toward the Casino Championship – a contest he now leads with first and fifth-place finishes at Choctaw.

The re-entry tournament, recognized as Event 3 on the schedule, began Friday at 12 p.m. with the first of four starting flights. The opening flight drew 638 and was followed by a 503-entry 5 p.m. flight. With two flights still to go, the event was already on pace to be a record breaker.

On Saturday, Dallas area grinders and Circuit regulars from all over the country blew the doors off Center Stage arena at Choctaw Casino. The 968-entry noon flight pushed the three-flight total to well over 2,000 putting the pressure squarely on the evening's final flight.

As you've heard, it didn't disappoint.

Flight D topped out at 758 entries catapulting the event well into second place on the all time attendance list, surpassing two \$1 million guarantees at Palm Beach Kennel Club and two Horseshoe Hammond re-entry events.

Bowen, a chief financial officer and partner in an electronics company, came to Choctaw Casino with three of his friends for what he says is an annual trip. The group plays home tournaments, the occasional cash game and, of course, takes one trip a year to play a Circuit event.



