

**2013/2014 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season 10
Horseshoe Casino
Council Bluffs, IA
Event #8
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 192
Prize Pool: \$57,600
April 16-17, 2014**



Henry Gingerich Denies Jed Hoffman Third Ring

First-time winner shows poise in almost-four-hour heads-up battle to win Event 8 and \$14,976.

Council Bluffs, IA (April 17, 2014) — On paper, one would have had a hard time picking Henry Gingerich as the favorite of the Event 8 final table at Council Bluffs. With just one previous cash totaling \$604, the odds were stacked against Gingerich who faced the likes of 2012 Hammond Main Event winner Josh Williams, 2013 WSOP Main Event 43rd-place finisher Phil Mader and two-time ring winner Jed Hoffman.

Surprisingly, Gingerich, a 30-year-old amateur, made his way through the early stages of the final table quite efficiently. It took barely four hours for the rings and six-figure scores to hit the rail and Gingerich was left to best the aforementioned Hoffman.

Hoffman held a substantial chip advantage going into heads-up play and was poised for an impressive third ring of the 2013/2014 season, but Gingerich wasn't about to go out without a fight. The pair endured level after level until the odds started shifting in Gingerich's favor.

"We were back and forth," Gingerich remembered. "I was down to five blinds. He was down to five blinds. It was a battle. I was ready to give up a couple of times."

Thankfully he didn't.

By the time heads-up play approached the four-hour mark, the blinds and antes were getting the best of the players and the pair got it all-in, Gingerich holding J-9 and Hoffman tabling 10-7. A jack on the flop spelled the end for Hoffman who hit the rail with a firm handshake and a heartfelt, "good game." While the finish didn't award the ring he wanted, it added to an impressive resume that includes 10 WSOP-related cashes, two rings and a seventh-place finish in a \$1,500 event at this summer's Series.

"I have to say, [Hoffman] was awesome," Gingerich said. "He played really well. I just feel like I got lucky at the right time."

The victory awarded Gingerich \$14,976, a Circuit gold ring and 50 points toward the Casino Championship – a sum great enough to put him in second place in the 12-day race to Atlantic

