

2014/2015 World Series of Poker Circuit

Season 11

Palm Beach Kennel Club

West Palm Beach, Fla.

Event #11

No-Limit Hold'em

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

Total Entries: 101

Prize Pool: \$30,300

August 10-11, 2014



David MacDonald Wins Event 11 at PBKC

Local contractor scores gold on his home turf, wins \$9,089 in \$365 ring event.

West Palm Beach, Fla. (August 11, 2014) — Dave MacDonald defeated John Hornbeck heads up in Event 11, a \$365 ring event, at the Palm Beach Kennel Club Monday evening. The victory marked MacDonald's eighth career Circuit cash and earned him his first ring along with \$9,089 in prize money.

MacDonald is a local contractor that resides just south of West Palm Beach in Jupiter, Fla. He grew up in New Jersey, but has spent the last 15 years here with his wife and three beautiful daughters.

"It's about time," a relieved MacDonald said after the victory. "It's fantastic. It's something I've been chasing for a while, and being home here in Jupiter where I play, it's a real good feeling."

MacDonald outlasted a talented final table that included ring winner BJ MacBrayer and 21-time Circuit casher Jason Schwartz. For MacBrayer, it marked his first cash of the PBKC series, but for Schwartz it was familiar territory. The deep run marked his second final table in less than a week, having previously finished fourth in Event 6, a \$365 six-handed event. He was unable to best that finish and ultimately exited the tournament seventh. MacBrayer edged him out finishing fourth.

In the end, the tournament was MacDonald's for the taking. The victory marks his eighth career Circuit in-the-money finish and his fourth final table appearance. While the \$9,089 first prize pales in comparison to previous scores – such as his \$67,333 payday in the 2012/2013 PBKC Main Event – it's his first trophy, and for that he's forever thankful.

"I've just been having a great time and running real well. I thank God that it all came together," MacDonald said.

Event 11 was the 11th of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at PBKC. The \$365 no-limit hold'em event attracted 101 entries. The total prize pool came to \$30,300 and the top 12 players were paid.

