2014/2015 World Series of Poker Circuit Foxwoods Resort Casino Event #3 Omaha Hi-Lo Eight-or-Better

Buy-In: \$365

**Total Entries: 140** 

Total Prize Pool: \$42.098

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## Bill Delsanto Emerges Victorious is \$365 Omaha Hi-Lo Event at Foxwoods

## **Burgeoning Omaha Hi-Lo Expert Wins Third Trophy at Foxwoods**

**Mashantucket, Conn. (August 16, 2014) –** Bill Delsanto may only be 24, but he's already found his niche in the poker world. Delsanto won the \$365 Omaha Hi-Lo Eightor-Better event at the World Series of Poker Circuit at Foxwoods. The venue and the event seem to suit him well, as this is his third Omaha Hi-Lo tournament victory at Foxwoods within the past year.

Delsanto has been preparing himself for this success for quite awhile, training hard in non-hold'em variants of poker. "I started playing mixed games when I was sneaking in here when I was 16. And I had to teach myself," he said after his victory. "I think with hold'em, most of the good players have it figured out, so you have to learn everything." Since then, this particular form of poker has become his favorite, which helps to explain his consistent success. "If I could play [Omaha Eight] every day, I would never play hold'em," he said.

That experience with the game showed during the final table today. He said there was never any major turning point in the tournament that put him on the path to victory. Rather, he continually chipped away at his opponents, constantly building his stack.

Despite his consistent success recently, Delsanto said this victory is the highlight of his poker career. When asked how the WSOP Circuit ring compares to his other trophies, he said, "It's not even close. This is by far the best."

The tournament was played over two consecutive days, starting on Friday. Only 13 survivors took seats on the second day of action, played on Saturday. It took only a little more than an hour on Day 2 to reach the nine-handed final table. The final playing session began at 1 p.m. local time. Play finished at 6:30 p.m., making the total duration of the final table about five and a half hours.

Full results from the event are available <u>here</u>.

## Notes on the Event

-Bill Delsanto has now won 3 Omaha Hi-Lo- Eight-or-Better tournaments at Foxwoods within the past year.

-Claudangelo Beaudouin finished in 7th place (\$1,697). Claudangelo is a retired police officer who won his first WSOP Circuit ring in the \$365 Omaha/8 event at the Palm Beach Kennel Club just a couple weeks ago.

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At the conclusion of Event 3, Bill Delsanto is tied with James Watt and Bassioni Hammouda for the lead in the Foxwoods Casino Champion ranks. The player who accumulates the most overall points in Foxwoods's twelve gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives an automatic entry into the 2015 WSOP National Championship. The winner of the Foxwoods Main Event earns automatic entry to the WSOP National Championship as well. All players who cash in ring events will receive points that apply to both the Casino Champion race and the season-long race to claim one of the 50 at-large National Championship bids awarded to the top point earners throughout the season. More information on the points system is available on WSOP.com.

Here is the list of gold ring winners from Foxwoods so far:

EVENT #1: James Watt defeated 588 players (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$35,235. EVENT #2: Bassioni Hammouda defeated 143 players (\$1,125 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$40,199.

EVENT #3: Bill Delsanto defeated 140 players (\$365 Omaha Hi-Lo Eight-or-Better) for \$11,788.

With the 3rd tournament now wrapped up, there are still nine more gold ring events before the WSOP Circuit at Foxwoods concludes on August 25th.

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