2014/2015 World Series of Poker Circuit Planet Hollywood Resort and Casino Event #12 No-Limit Hold'em

Buy-In: \$365

Total Entries: 167

Total Prize Pool: \$50,100 November 22-23, 2014

Young Ji Wins Ring in his First WSOP Circuit Event

Las Vegas (November 24, 2014) – As the World Series of Poker Circuit at Planet Hollywood prepared to wrap up, Young Ji, a 52-year old business owner from Anchorage, won one of the last tournaments before the Main Event crowns a winner. Ji won Event #12: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em, earning his first WSOP Circuit ring and \$13,526.

Ji bested a tough final table that included ring winners Raney Stanczak and Daniel Heredi. Stanczak won his ring just four days earlier at Planet Hollywood. He's a professional paintball player who travels the world for his sport, and takes advantage of his travels to play poker in a variety of venues across the globe. His victory in Event #6: \$580 No-Limit Hold'em was his first major tournament win. Heredi has had even more success on the WSOP Circuit. He won two rings the last time the Circuit came to Las Vegas (at Caesars Palace in February). In addition to the two rings, he had two other cashes, and won Casino Champion honors. It was Heredi that Young Ji battled heads-up once the tournament got down to its final two players.

The tournament was played over two consecutive days, starting on Saturday, November 22. Of the 167 entrants, only 9 survivors took seats on the second day of action, played on Saturday, November 23. The final playing session began at 2 p.m. local time. Play finished at about 11:00 p.m., making the total duration of the final day about nine hours.

Full results from the event are available on WSOP.com.

At the conclusion of Event #12, Kheang Tang still holds the lead in the Planet Hollywood Casino Champion race. Tang has three cashes, including one ring and a runner-up finish. He now has 90 points. Raney Stanczak is now in second placed with 65 points. Vincent Moscati and Jimmy Hellerer are tied for third place with 60 points. The player who accumulates the most overall points in the twelve gold ring tournaments at Planet Hollywood earns the title "Casino Champion" and receives an automatic entry into the \$1 million 2015 WSOP National Championship. The winner of the Planet Hollywood Main Event earns an automatic entry to the 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 Planet Hollywood so far:

EVENT #1: Kheang Tang defeated 1,387 players (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em Re-entry) for \$71,749.

EVENT #2: Craig Gold defeated 162 players (\$580 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$27,000.

EVENT #3: Michael Kline defeated 284 players (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$20,450.

EVENT #4: Brandon Newsome defeated 319 Players (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$22,497.

EVENT #5: Vincent Moscati defeated 138 players (\$365 Pot-Limit Omaha) for \$11,589.

EVENT #6: Raney Stanczak defeated 276 players (\$580 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$33,118.

EVENT #7: Stephanie Chung defeated 113 players (\$365 Dealer's Choice) for \$10,171.

EVENT #9: Chris LoPresto defeated 169 players (\$580 No-Limit Hold'em Six-Handed) for \$23,658.

EVENT #10: James Hellerer defeated 353 players (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$25,282.

EVENT #12: Young Ji defeated 167 players (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$13,526.

With Event #12 now wrapped up, there is still one more gold ring events, as well as the conclusion of the Main Event, before the WSOP Circuit at Planet Hollywood concludes on November 24th.

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