2014/2015 World Series of Poker Circuit Season 11 Horseshoe Southern Indiana Elizabeth, Ind. Event #8 No-Limit Hold'em Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)

Total Entries: 178 Prize Pool: \$53,400 October 8-9, 2014



Bob Chow Back in the Winner's Circle

2011 Hammond Main Event champion finds success at Horseshoe Southern Indiana. Chow scores second gold ring along with \$14,318 and 50 points toward the Casino Championship.

Three Circuit Main Event champions grace the final table, Zal Irani finishes sixth, Josh Williams second.

Elizabeth, Ind. (October 9, 2014) — Bob Chow burst onto the tournament scene in his first year as a touring pro back in 2011 when he bested a then-record 1,615 entries in the Horseshoe Hammond Main Event. The performance earned him \$393,584 along with his first ring and a title that would stick forever – Hammond Main Event champion.

In the years since his win, Chow has remained relevant on the Circuit recording nine additional cashes and three final table appearances. A retiree, Chow's resume would suffice for many in his position, but just one breakthrough performance wasn't good enough for the Chicagoan. He continued to travel the Circuit in pursuit of titles, which in his words, is what he enjoys to do.

Chow's quest for follow-up gold brought him about five hours south of his hometown to Elizabeth, Ind. and the Horseshoe Casino. He entered Event 8, a \$365 no-limit hold'em ring event, and played his way to a final table berth where he'd face off against the likes of defending Southern Indiana Main Event champion Zal Irani (sixth), last year's Circuit points leader Yossi Azulay (fifth), commanding chip leader Tim McCarthy (third) and fellow Hammond Main Event champion Josh Williams (second).

Together, this five-headed monster not only accounted for one of the most decorated final tables of the season, but marked a nearly all Chicagoan finale as each hails from the Windy City area.

"I felt that it was going to be a real tough final table," Chow said. "I knew [McCarthy] was the most aggressive player so I just stayed out of his way. I picked spots and let him run over me."

Chow got run over to the tune of a 10-big-blind stack before he won two 60/40s in a row to pull into contention. As McCarthy's stack shrank, Chow's grew and he dealt the final blow flopping a set against McCarthy's top pair. The hand gave Chow a stranglehold on the chip lead going into heads-up play against Williams and he won his second ring and \$14,318 just a few minutes later.