

2014/2015 World Series of Poker Circuit

Season 11

Horseshoe Casino

Hammond, Ind.

Event #8

Omaha Hi-Low Eight or Better

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

Total Entries: 187

Prize Pool: \$56,100

October 23-24, 2014



David Mirshak Wins Omaha Eight Event

Illinois carpenter earns \$14,586 and first gold ring following \$365 Omaha eight victory.

Bracelet winners Aaron Steury and Nick Kost grace the final table before relinquishing the headline to amateur David Mirshak.

Hammond, Ind. (October 24, 2014) — David Mirshak broke through for an unlikely gold ring victory Friday night at the Horseshoe Casino in Hammond, Ind. The win, which came in a \$365 Omaha hi-low eight or better tournament, came at the hands of two bracelet winners – Aaron Steury (ninth) and Nick Kost (third). Mirshak, an amateur, bested the pair of headliners to the tune of \$14,586, his first gold ring, 50 points toward the Casino Championship and a berth in the \$1,675 Main Event.

“It feels great. I started off short stacked and I ended up making a few hands and this is the outcome,” Mirshak said.

While Mirshak nursed his short stack, Kost was sizing his ring finger. The 2014 Omaha hi-low bracelet winner began the final table with 30 percent of the total chips in play and was the odds-on favorite to nab a complementary gold trophy. He watched as Steury hit the rail ninth, Allen Kessler eighth and Shirley Rosario sixth. With those talents on the rail, Kost had just a handful of recreational players between him and the title.

In the end, it would be those recreational players that spelled his demise as Kost hit the rail third leaving Gwen Herrick to fend for herself against Wirshak. The heads-up battle was short lived and it was just a few minutes before Wirshak eliminated Herrick to score his first gold ring along with the five-figure prize and a seat in the Main Event.

“It’s always a pleasure playing with guys like that,” Wirshak said of the bracelet winners. “I look up to those guys. They have a lot of experience and to be able to beat those guys feels fantastic.”

Running alongside Day 1A of the Main Event, the Event 9 final table served as a satellite of sorts for the property’s finale. Kessler and Steury bought in to the championship immediately following their eliminations while Wirshak’s \$1,675 voucher is good for tomorrow’s Flight B.

“I’m actually really excited about [the Main Event],” Wirshak said. “I was thinking about playing it before, now I’m definitely going to be able to play it.”

