

2014/2015 World Series of Poker Circuit
The Bicycle Casino
Event #11
Pot-Limit Omaha
Buy-In: \$365
Total Entries: 79
Total Prize Pool: \$23,700
March 17-18, 2015

Josh Hale Wins Pot-Limit Omaha at WSOP Circuit at the Bike

This is Hale's First Circuit Ring, at the Same Venue as his Biggest Tournament Score

Bell Gardens, Calif. (March 18, 2015) . Josh Hale won the Pot-Limit Omaha tournament at the World Series of Poker Circuit at the Bicycle Casino, earning \$8,065 and his first WSOP Circuit ring.

Hale didn't play most of the events at this Circuit stop, but he made the most of his appearance in this event, which he considers his strong suit. "I play more cash games than tournaments," he explained after his victory. "I play mixed-games, and I play PLO pretty regularly."

For Hale, the event had a home-field-advantage feel. "I've had a lot of success here at that Bike," he said. "I often plays PLO cash games here. It was also the site of the biggest tournament win of his career - he earned \$500,000 in the WPT Legends of Poker here in 2012."

The tournament was played over two consecutive days, starting Tuesday, March 17. Of the 79 entrants, only 6 returned on Wednesday for Day 2. Day 2 started at 1 p.m., and Hale secured his victory at about 4:30 p.m.

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

After this event, Scott Stewart retains the lead in the Casino Champion race. He has 72.5 points. Edward Liu is in second place with 60, and several players are tied for third with 50 points. The player who accumulates the most overall points in the twelve gold ring tournaments at the Bicycle Casino earns the title of Casino Champion and receives an automatic entry into the \$1 million 2015 WSOP National Championship. The winner of the Bicycle Casino 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 The Bicycle Casino so far:

EVENT #1: Maxwell Lineberger defeated 1,177 entries (\$365 No-Sā āP []-entry) for \$62,685.

EVENT #2: Edward Liu defeated 92 players (\$580 No-Sā āP []) for \$13,800.

EVENT #3: AJ Fernandes defeated 131 players (\$365 Omaha Hi-Lo 8 or Better) for \$11,005.

EVENT #4: William Donnelly defeated 185 players (\$365 No-Sā āP []) for \$27,205.

EVENT #5: Scott Stewart defeated 85 players (\$1,125 No-Sā āP []) for \$27,205.

EVENT #6: Jeff Murphy defeated 164 players (\$365 No-Sā āP []) for \$14,525.

EVENT #7: Steve Foutty defeated 173 players (\$365 No-Sā āP [] -Handed) for \$14,525.

EVENT #8 (MAIN EVENT): Gevork Kasabyan defeated 669 entries

EVENT #9: David Zarrin defeated 162 players (\$365 No-Sā āP []) for \$8,065.

EVENT #10: Sara Elwood defeated 127 entries (\$365 No-Sā āP []) for \$8,065.

EVENT #11: Josh Hale defeated 79 entries (\$365 Pot-Limit Omaha) for \$8,065.

With this tournament now wrapped up, there is now only one more gold ring events before the WSOP Circuit at the Bicycle Casino concludes on March 18.

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