

**2014/2015 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season 11
Harrah's Cherokee
Cherokee, N.C.
Event #6
No-Limit Hold'em Six Max
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 400
Prize Pool: \$120,000
April 20-21, 2015**



Tyler Morris Earns His Second Gold Ring

Tyler Morris takes down the six max event in Cherokee to capture his second career gold ring.

Cherokee, N.C. (April 21, 2015) -- Tyler Morris became a two-time gold ring winner Tuesday evening in Cherokee, North Carolina. The 29-year-old from Tyler, Texas defeated a field of 400 entries in Event #6 – \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Six Max to earn his second career gold ring and the first place prize of \$28,794.

Morris' first ring came in January of 2014 when he won the WSOP Circuit Choctaw Main Event for over \$350,000. It was one of the largest Main Event's in Circuit history drawing a field of 1,428 players. At the time, it was only Morris' third career WSOP cash.

Since then, Morris has collected several cashes on the Circuit. When the Circuit was in Cherokee last November, Morris cashed three times, including reaching one final table. Those three cashes came in three consecutive tournaments and amounted for over \$13,000. Morris continued to stay hot at this property with this gold ring winning performance.

“It feels great. I feel like I have been in spots to win rings since [Choctaw][Main],” said Morris about capturing his second gold ring.

The series at Cherokee has had several amateur poker players win gold rings. Morris is a professional poker player and he put an end to that trend by winning this tournament. The six max event is always one where the best players rise to the top.

Nine players returned for Day 2 of the tournament and three of them were gold ring winners. One of the gold ring winners returning for Day 2 was Steven Snyder. Snyder earned his gold ring in the six max event at this stop in November. He came up just short of defending his title and was the first player eliminated on Day 2.

Morris said that he is planning to play the rest of the schedule here in Cherokee and pursue the title of Casino Champion. Morris earned a National Championship seat last year by winning the Choctaw Main Event, but busted short of the money. The disappointing finish has left Morris wanting another shot at the National Championship bracelet.

The National Championship will be held here in Cherokee from July 29-31. Morris has played well at this property and if he can scoop up a seat, will be a real tough contender in the elite field.

Event #6 was the sixth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at Harrah's Cherokee in Cherokee, N.C. The \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Six Max tournament attracted 400 players, generating a \$120,000 prize pool. The top 42 players were paid.

Day 1 began Monday at 12 p.m. and lasted 21 levels. Day 2 began Tuesday at 2 p.m. with nine players remaining. The tournament concluded Tuesday at about 8:15 p.m. near the end of Level 27.

Notes on the event:

- Steven Snyder (9th place) won this event when the Circuit was at Cherokee's for the first time this season. He made it to Day 2, but was unable to defend his title.
- Marshall White (7th place) recorded his 11th Circuit cash of the season.
- Claude Purches (3rd place) recorded his 8th Circuit cash of the season, five of which have been final tables.
- Five of nine career Circuit cashes for Morris have come at Harrah's Cherokee

The player who accumulates the most overall points during the Harrah's Cherokee twelve combined gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP National Championship set to take place at the end of the year.

All players who cash in ring events receive points that apply toward the Casino Championship race and the season-long race to claim one of 56 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 Harrah's Cherokee:

EVENT #1: Tony Sewell defeated 466 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$30,050

EVENT #2: John Morris defeated 242 players (\$365 PLO) for \$17,787

EVENT #3: Matthew Lee defeated 581 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$36,598

EVENT #4: Chris Russell defeated 2,937 players (\$365 NLHE Re-Entry) for \$125,559

EVENT #5: Ed Willis defeated 451 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$29,079

EVENT #6: Tyler Morris defeated 400 players (\$365 NLHE 6-Max) for \$28,794

With the sixth tournament wrapped up, six more ring events remain at the Harrah's Cherokee series.

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