2015/2016 World Series of Poker Circuit Horseshoe Tunica Event #4 No-Limit Hold'em Re-entry

Buy-In: \$365

**Total Entries: 1,346** 

Total Prize Pool: \$403,800

January 22-24, 2016

## Josh Turner Wins 3rd Career WSOP Circuit Ring

Turner won the re-entry event at the Horseshoe Tunica for \$71,665

**Tunica, Miss.** (25 January 2016) – Josh Turner won his third career World Series of Poker Circuit ring Sunday night. He finished in first place in Event #4: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Re-entry at the WSOP Circuit at the Horseshoe Tunica. His first place prize was \$71,665, so far the largest payout of any tournament at this Circuit stop.

Turner was supremely confident in the final hours of the tournament. As the last 10 players took their seats at the final table, he turned to a friend who was sitting nearby to cheer him on and told him, "I'm going to win this thing." At the time, Turner held the chip lead, so victory likely seemed within his grasp. But he held the same attitude earlier in the event as well. He said after the tournament, "I think when we got down to three tables, I was pretty in control, and I thought I was going to win from that point on."

This is the second largest live tournament cash of Turner's career. His biggest score (\$136,945) came when he won his second ring, in the Main Event at the St. Louis Circuit stop about a year ago. In that tournament, too, Turner held a chip lead to start the final table, and used it to his advantage. "That's part of my major game plan," he said. "On the money bubble and even before that, I like to apply a little pressure and set myself up so when we're at the final table I have the best possible chance to win."

Confidence wasn't Turner's only advantage. He also has more experience than most of the final table. The only other final-table player who has close to Turner's tournament results is Marshall White, who eventually finished in fourth place (\$24,632). White and Turner both have 24 WSOP Circuit cashes, and when this tournament began, they both had two rings.

The tournament featured three starting flights. The first began at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, January 22. The other two began on Saturday. The three flights garnered a total of 1,346 entries, creating prize pool of \$403,800. The top 135 players made the money.

On Sunday, January 24, players from all three starting flights who survived Day 1 returned to play in a combined field. In all, 158 players advanced to Day 2, and they resumed play at noon. They reached the final table at about 10:45 p.m., and Turner secured his victory at about 3:45 a.m.

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

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At the conclusion of this event, Josh Turner takes over the lead in the Casino Champion race. Turner and three other players are tied with 50 points each, but Turner holds the tiebreaker (money earned). The player who accumulates the most overall points in the twelve gold ring tournaments at the Horseshoe Tunica earns the title of Casino Champion and receives an automatic entry into the \$1 million 2016 WSOP Global Casino Championship. The winner of the Horseshoe Tunica Main Event also earns an automatic entry to the Global Casino Championship. 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 Global Casino 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 Horseshoe Tunica so far:

EVENT #1: Johnny McNally defeated 276 players (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$19,875.

EVENT #2: Romeo White defeated 138 players (\$365 Pot-Limit Omaha) for \$11,589

EVENT #3: Robb Idsinga defeated 430 players (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$28,379

EVENT #4: Josh Turner defeated 1,346 entries (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em Re-entry) for \$71,665.

With the fourth tournament now wrapped up, there are still eight more gold ring events before the WSOP Circuit at the Horseshoe Tunica concludes on Feb 1.

All rings at the Horseshoe Tunica are furnished by <u>Jostens</u>, the official ring supplier of the 2015-2015 WSOP Circuit season.

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