

**2015/2016 World Series of Poker Circuit
Horseshoe Tunica
Event #5
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: \$365
Total Entries: 245
Total Prize Pool: \$73,500
January 24-25, 2016**

Andrew Brinkley Finds Redemption and his First WSOP Circuit Victory at the Horseshoe Tunica

Brinkley wins in his second final-table performance at the Horseshoe.

Tunica, Miss. (26 January 2016) After coming up short in several previous attempts, Andrew Brinkley finally won his first World Series of Poker Circuit event Monday night at the Horseshoe Casino in Tunica. Brinkley emerged victorious in Event #5: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em, earning \$18,010 and his first WSOP Circuit gold ring.

For Brinkley, this victory offered a taste of redemption after a disappointing finish a couple nights ago. He finished in second place in [Event #3: \\$365 No-Limit Hold'em](#), losing to Robb. Two nights ago I was more

for three years, his mood is quite
, a third, a second, and now I finally won it. It really feels

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ut how grateful he
was to have support from his friend and poker mentor, Michael Schneider, who was never far

ournament in sixth place
out of nine remaining players. And even though he stuck around as other players were being eliminated, when only two players remained, it looked as though he would probably fall short again. Brinkley was heads up against Brian Pilkington, and Pilkington held a huge chip lead.

just kind of chipped away at him. I had two lucky flips early, and then just worked my way up. But he was hard to play against. He really knew what he was doing. He was the one player I

This victory may give Brinkley more than just the prize money and the WSOP Circuit ring. He also gets 50 points in the [Casino Champion race](#). The title Casino Champion is awarded to the

player who earns the most points in the 12 ring events at each Circuit stop, and each Casino Champion receives a free entry (valued at \$10,000) into the 2016 WSOP Global Casino Championship. This invitation-only tournament has a minimum prize pool of \$1,000,000. Thanks to his runner up finish a few days ago and his victory on Monday, Brinkley now leads the contest with 87.5 points. But there are still seven events to go, so his lead is far from secure.

The chase for Casino Champion has actually motivated Brinkley to change his upcoming plans.

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The tournament began Sunday at 3:00 p.m. with 245. At the end of the first day, only 9 remained. The returned Monday at 3:00 p.m. for Day 2, and Brinkley won the final hand at about 9:45 p.m.

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

At the conclusion of this event, Andrew Brinkley takes over the lead in the Casino Champion race. Brinkley now has 87.5 points from a one victory and one runner-up finish. After Brinkley, four players are tied with 50 points each. 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-) 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-
EVENT #4: Josh Turner defeated 1,346 entries (\$365 No- -entry) for \$71,665.
EVENT #5: Andrew Brinkley defeated 245 players (\$365 No-

With the fifth tournament now wrapped up, there are still seven 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 Jostens, the official ring supplier of the 2015-2016 WSOP Circuit season.

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