

2015/2016 World Series of Poker Circuit

Bally's Las Vegas

Event #2

No-Limit Holdem

Buy-In: \$580

Total Entries: 139

Total Prize Pool: \$69,500

February 28-29, 2016

Tamer Korman Wins the First Ring at the WSOP Circuit at Bally's Las Vegas

Korman celebrates his birthday with a Circuit victory.

Las Vegas (29 February 2016) – Tamer Korman won his first World Series of Poker Circuit ring Monday night at Bally's Las Vegas. Korman won Event #2: \$580 No-Limit Hold'em, earning \$19,459.

The win is the icing on a special cake for Korman. He's here in Las Vegas celebrating his 50th birthday. "This week is my own birthday present to myself," he said. And he just added another gift to himself of almost \$20,000.

Korman was very close to being eliminated earlier. With five players left, he has his aces cracked and was knocked down to about 60,000 in chips. The leader at the time had about 1,300,000. But Korman battled back and ended up on top.

Even though this was Event #2, it was the first ring awarded at this Circuit stop. The final table of Event #1: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em was still in progress when Korman secured his victory.

The tournament nearly played to completion Sunday night. It started at noon on Sunday with 139 players, and it was scheduled to wrap up for the night at about 1:30 a.m. At that time there were three players left. The tournament staff allowed them to continue playing after a unanimous vote, so play continued. But after Keith Ferrera was eliminated in third place (\$8,682), Korman and Ed O'Connell chose to stop for the night and resume on Monday.

At the time, Korman held a sizable lead, with a chip stack roughly twice as big as O'Connell's. After about an hour, Korman collected the last of his opponent's chips, and O'Connell was eliminated in second place (\$12,028).

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

At the conclusion of this event, Tamer Korman jumps into the lead in the Casino Champion race. The player who accumulates the most overall points in the twelve gold ring tournaments Bally's Las Vegas earns the title of Casino Champion and receives an automatic entry into the \$1 million 2016 WSOP Global Casino Championship. The winner of the Bally's Las Vegas Main

Event earns an automatic entry to the Global Casino 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 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 Bally's Las Vegas so far:

EVENT #2: Tamer Korman defeated 139 entries (\$580 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$19,459.

With this tournament now wrapped up, there are still 10 more gold ring events before the WSOP Circuit at Bally's Las Vegas concludes on Feb 1.

All rings at Bally's Las Vegas are furnished by Jostens, the official ring supplier of the 2015-2015 WSOP Circuit season.

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