

**2015/2016 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season 12
Horseshoe Council Bluffs
Council Bluffs, Iowa
Event #8
Pot-Limit Omaha 8 or Better
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 89
Prize Pool: \$26,700
April 5-6, 2016**



Adrian Jimenez Wins the PLO8 Event

Adrian Jimenez takes advantage of a small field to score his first gold ring.

Council Bluffs, Iowa (April 6, 2016) -- Adrian Jimenez has defeated an 89 player field in the Horseshoe Council Bluffs Pot-Limit Omaha 8 or Better event to earn \$8,545 and his first WSOP Circuit gold ring.

"It's awesome. I have been wanting to win [a ring] for a while now. I am just a part-time player and I try to come out here whenever the Circuit comes to Omaha," said Jimenez about winning his first gold ring.

Jimenez has had a couple of close chances in the past at winning gold rings, but had never been able to close out the tournament. He has two seventh place finishes here at Horseshoe Council Bluffs since 2010. He said that it felt good to get the ring this time around.

Now two of Jimenez's four WSOP cashes have come in omaha tournaments. The other two cashes were in no-limit hold'em tournaments.

"I love PLO8. I used to play it online all of the time," said Jimenez. "It's one of my favorite games."

Pot-Limit Omaha 8 or Better is a game that Jimenez feels comfortable playing and he considers it a specialty of his. He showed his skills in full at this PLO8 final table. He entered the final table and Day 2 of the tournament as the chip leader and he was never in danger of elimination once during the final table.

Jimenez attends Central Community College in Hastings, Nebraska for software development. He is scheduled to graduate this spring.

Joining Jimenez at the final table was Doug Carli. Carli holds the record for the most WSOP Circuit cashes of all-time. Carli ended up finishing 5th and now has 105 career WSOP Circuit cashes. Also at the final table was Robert Wittman. Wittman finished 8th. Wittman final tabled both Omaha gold ring events at the series.

Event #8 was the eighth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the Horseshoe Council Bluffs series. The \$365 Pot-Limit Omaha 8 or Better tournament attracted 89 players generating a \$26,700 prize pool. The top nine players were paid.

Day 1 began Tuesday at 5 p.m. and lasted 15 levels. Day 2 began Wednesday at 2 p.m. with nine players remaining. The tournament concluded at about 4:45 p.m. Wednesday near the end of Level 19.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during the Horseshoe Council Bluffs twelve combined gold ring tournaments earns the title Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP Global Casino 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 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 Council Bluffs series:

EVENT #1: Doug Hutcheson defeated 179 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$14,500
EVENT #2: Mark Fink defeated 141 players (\$365 NLHE Bounty) for \$7,898
EVENT #3: Duane Gerleman defeated 743 players (\$365 NLHE Re-Entry) for \$44,577
EVENT #4: Tommy Hoard defeated 118 players (\$365 NLHE 1-day) for \$10,617
EVENT #5: Scott Buller defeated 117 players (\$365 LimitO8oB) for \$10,531
EVENT #6: Jason Seitz defeated 120 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$10,801
EVENT #8: Adrian Jimenez defeated 89 players (\$365 PLO8) for \$8,545

With seven tournaments wrapped up, only five more ring events remain at the Horseshoe Council Bluffs series.

All rings at the Horseshoe Council Bluffs series are furnished by Jostens, the official ring supplier of the 2015-2016 WSOP Circuit season.

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