

**2015/2016 World Series of Poker Circuit  
Season 12  
Horseshoe Council Bluffs  
Council Bluffs, Iowa  
Event #10  
No-Limit Hold'em  
Buy-In: \$500 (+\$80)  
Total Entries: 124  
Prize Pool: \$62,000  
April 7-8, 2016**



## **Joshua Turner Wins His Fourth Career Gold Ring**

**Joshua Turner has now won two gold rings in back-to-back Circuit seasons.**

**Council Bluffs, Iowa (April 8, 2016)** -- The theme of the 2016 Council Bluffs Circuit series has been multiple gold ring winners winning more gold rings. Last week Mark Fink won his fourth gold ring in the bounty event. Duane Gerleman followed that up by winning his third gold ring in the re-entry event. Just last night Maurice Hawkins won his fifth gold ring in the monster stack event and now Joshua Turner has just won his fourth career gold ring by defeating 124 players in Event #10 - \$580 No-Limit Hold'em.

Turner has been one of the strongest players on the Circuit in the last two years. All four of Turner's gold rings have come in the past two Circuit seasons. He has won two gold rings this season and he won two gold rings last season. Turner used to be cash player, but started focusing more on tournaments a couple of years ago.

"I was grinding cash mainly, solely. Some of my friends had rings and it just got me wanting to get some rings," said Turner. "It's been fun, I like traveling around."

Now Turner is almost exclusively a tournament player. Turner played this event with his main goal to score a cash and add at least 10 points to his Global Casino Championship season total. He had 125 points coming in and the projected cut line was right around 135 points. Once he secured 10 points by making it to the top 11 in the tournament, he felt like his seat in the 2016 Global Casino Championship was locked up and he shifted his entire focus to winning the tournament.

According to Turner, he didn't see many good hands last night at the beginning of the final table. He made it to Day 2 with four players remaining, but he was the short stack. He came into Day 2 with his only focus being to win the tournament. His win or go home mentality helped propel him to his fourth WSOP Circuit victory.

Turner will be resting up the next couple of months to get ready for a full schedule of events at the 2016 World Series of Poker in Las Vegas. He plans to be there the entire series and play mostly mixed events.

"I had a lot of success last year in the mixed events. I do well in no-limit, I like no-limit, but the fields are so big. I feel there is a lot of variance and there is some edge in mixed limit games. My schedule is just going to be packed with mixed limits," said Turner.

Turner said that he will play some no-limit events and definitely play the Main Event too.

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Event #10 was the tenth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the Horseshoe Council Bluffs series. The \$580 No-Limit Hold'em tournament attracted 124 players generating a \$62,000 prize pool. The top 15 players were paid.

Day 1 began Thursday at 12 p.m. and lasted 21 levels. Day 2 began Friday at 2 p.m. with four players remaining. The tournament concluded at about 4:00 p.m. Friday at the beginning of Level 24.

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](http://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 #7: Jacob Phillips defeated 153 players (\$365 NLHE 6-max) for \$12,853  
EVENT #8: Adrian Jimenez defeated 89 players (\$365 PLO8) for \$8,545  
EVENT #9: Maurice Hawkins defeated 265 players (\$365 NLHE Monster) for \$19,477  
EVENT #10: Joshua Turner defeated 124 players (\$580 NLHE) for \$17,359

With 10 tournaments wrapped up, only two more ring events remain at the Horseshoe Council Bluffs series.

All rings at the Horseshoe Council Bluffs series are furnished by [Jostens](http://Jostens), the official ring supplier of the 2015-2016 WSOP Circuit season.

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