

**2015/2016 World Series of Poker Circuit**  
**Season 12**  
**Harrah's Atlantic City**  
**Atlantic City, NJ**  
**Event #12**  
**No-Limit Hold'em**  
**Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)**  
**Total Entries: 125**  
**Prize Pool: \$37,500**  
**March 26, 2016**



## **Bud Novin Wins Final Gold Ring of Series**

**Finance professional from New York earns \$10,500 for a day of work in Atlantic City**

**Atlantic City, NJ (March 27, 2016)** — Bud Novin is the champion of Event #12, defeating a field of 125 entries to win his first gold ring and the \$10,500 top prize.

Novin is, “Thirty, handsome, and single,” as he described himself, and he works in finance in Manhattan. “I am *not* a professional poker player, even though most people lie,” he laughed. “I play a game in the city maybe once a month. I’ve played maybe three or four tournaments before.”

The urge struck on the morning of the event, though. “Listen, I didn’t sleep last night,” he admitted after his win. “So at 5:00 a.m. I looked to see if there were any tournaments in A.C. today. I took a cab to Port Authority, and I made it here for registration.”

The champ talks fast and plays even faster, and his self-admitted lack of patience can be an asset at times in a turbo event. “I like the way that it speeds up quickly,” he said. “Honestly, it didn’t feel turbo. I don’t have that much patience, but for a one-day thing like this...”

When the final table began, there were two big stacks out front and the remaining seven bunched fairly tightly a long way behind them. Novin was one of those in the chase pack, but he quickly mounted his charge. “I had a few good bluffs. I caught a few great hands. I missed the landmines and caught the stuff that mattered,” he said.

By the time they were six-handed, Novin was in control. “I had an overwhelming majority of the chips,” he explained with a hint of exaggeration. “There was just no way any of them were going to catch up to me. I was playing really well, and they all recognized it.”

It was over very soon thereafter, and Novin held up quad aces as he posed for winner’s photos. “I got a pretty, new, gold ring to go with my gold watch and my gold chain,” he said.

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