2016 WSOP OFFICIAL REPORT

HANI AWAD WINS $2,500 BUY-IN MIXED OMAHA/SEVEN-CARD STUD HIGH-LOW SPLIT EVENT

Israeli-born Las Vegan collects $213,186 top prize in Event #36

After coming in 2nd in same event last year, Awad storms back and earns victory this time around

Awad dedicates victory to his 93-year-old mother

Top poker pro and ambassador Fabrice Soulier finishes as runner up

Jason Mercier makes another deep run, but no final table ï finishes 11th

MEET THE LATEST WSOP GOLD BRACELET CHAMPION

Name: Hani Awad
Birthplace: Nazareth, Israel
Age: 65
Current Residence: Las Vegas, NV (USA)
Marital Status: Married
Profession: Taxi cab company owner
Number of WSOP Cashes: 10
Number of WSOP Final Table Appearances: 3
Number of WSOP Gold Bracelet Victories (with this tournament): 1
Best Previous WSOP Finish: 2nd (2015)
Total WSOP Earnings: $614,441
Personal Facts: Lived in Las Vegas 50 years ï played poker with all the greats

Winnerôs Quote:

ñThis means everything. I donôt even care about the money. I just wanted to win the gold bracelet.ò

Hani Awad is the newest member of pokerôs gold bracelet club.

The high stakes recreational poker player now residing in Las Vegas won the $2,500 buy-in Mixed Omaha/Seven-Card Stud High-Low Split tournament. The competition was played over three days and nights and just concluded on the ESPN main stage at the Rio in Las Vegas.

Awad, age 65, collected $213,186 in prize money, making this the biggest win of his career. He now has ten WSOP cashes and more than $600,000 in career winnings. However, thatôs just part of the story.