

**2016/2017 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season 13
IP Casino Resort & Spa
Biloxi, Mississippi
Event #8
No-Limit Hold'em Monster Stack
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 229
Prize Pool: \$68,700
September 14, 2016**



Andrew Hines Takes Down the Monster Stack

Coasting through Event #8, the young poker pro, David “Andrew” Hines went on to win his first career gold ring.

Biloxi, Mississippi (September 14, 2016) – Andrew Hines outlasted a field of 229 players in Event #8: \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Monster Stack to win his first Circuit gold ring. The tournament lasted two days and concluded Thursday evening on the IP main stage.

Previously a poker dealer, Hines has transitioned to poker playing being his full-time profession. This win could be a sign of good things to come for the 24-year-old. The career switch seems to be working out so far.

Hines had already made a solid statement before this first place finish. During the 2015/16 WSOP Circuit tour, Hines took sixth in the Harrah's Cherokee Main Event in December. When asked to compare his Cherokee conquest to his newly prized gold ring win, Hines did not hesitate with an answer.

“I like the other one better,” Hines responded.

A gold ring is a great accomplishment, but there was a noticeable difference between the two payouts in question. Hines' Main Event finish in Cherokee netted him a cool \$56,631, while his most recent prize money was \$17,174. Although Hines preferred the bigger payday, he still understood the great significance in acquiring a WSOP gold ring.

There was no real danger during Hines' tournament play. He coasted to the final table where he held the chip lead for majority of the time it took to compete.

“I never really got low. I never really had to panic, or make any moves. I just played A B C the whole way,” said Hines.

The final table was one of the slowest during the series thus far. Hines chalked it up to simply being a tough table with a lot of good players. One of these solid players was Mark Fleddermann, who was Hines' eventual heads up foe. Fleddermann, a seasoned pro, has two

rings to his name already, but could not claim a third. It was Andrew Hinesøday to shine and he will look to continue his good play. He plans to visit the next WSOP in Cherokee.

Event #8 was the eighth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the IP Biloxi series. The \$365 No-Limit Hold'em Monster Stack tournament attracted 229 players generating a \$68,700 prizepool. The top 24 players were paid.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during the Circuits twelve combined gold ring events earns the title of Casino Champion and receives automatic entry into the WSOP Global Casino Championship set to take place at the end of the season.

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 IP Biloxi series:

EVENT #1: David Walters defeated 800 players (\$365 NLHE Double Stack) for \$47,992
EVENT #2: Steve Giddings defeated 96 players (\$365 NLHE Turbo) for \$8,638
EVENT #3: Dallas Berry defeated 95 players (\$365 NLHE Turbo) for \$8,551
EVENT #4: Douglas Carli defeated 110 players (\$365 NLHE 30 Minute Levels) for \$9,901
EVENT #5: Nate Bandy defeated 127 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$10,668
EVENT #6: Scott Cooper defeated 84 players (\$365 PLO) for \$8,063
EVENT #7: David Aker defeated 175 players (\$365 NLHE 6 Max) for \$14,701
EVENT #8: Andrew Hines defeated 229 players (\$365 NLHE Monster Stack) for \$17,174

This was the eighth gold ring handed out at the IP Biloxi series. Four more gold rings and Circuit titles are still to come.

All rings at the IP Biloxi series are furnished by [Jostens](#), the official ring supplier of the 2016-2017 WSOP Circuit season.

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