

**2016/2017 World Series of Poker Circuit
Season 13
Horseshoe Southern Indiana
Elizabeth, Indiana
Event #6
No-Limit Hold'em
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)
Total Entries: 169
Prize Pool: \$47,700
October 4-5, 2016**



Nick Lamkin Wins His First Ring in Event #6

Local auto worker collects nearly \$13,000 for first live tournament victory

Elizabeth, Indiana (October 5, 2016) — Nick Lamkin is the champion of Event #6 at Horseshoe Southern Indiana, defeating a field of 159 players to win his first gold ring. In addition, Lamkin earned the top prize of \$12,879 and 50 points toward the race for seats in the Global Casino Championship.

The champ is a 26-year-old auto worker from Marion County, Kentucky. His job occupies the majority of his schedule, but he still finds time to come play at Horseshoe about once a week. Lamkin nearly missed this event due to his work commitments, late-registering in the last level before the window closed. “That’s as quick as I could get here from work,” he said.

Lamkin endured a rough start to his Day 1, floundering below starting stack for a couple hours before finding a big boost late in the night. The pivotal hand came when Lamkin was dealt ace-king against Max Le’s queen-ten. After two streets of heavy betting action, Le ended up bluffing all in on the river of an ace-jack-jack-nine-rag board, having missed his open-ended straight draw. Lamkin thought long and hard before correctly calling with two pair, and the monster pot moved him into the overall chiplead with ten players remaining.

Le was next to fall, and the final nine players bagged up their chips for the night. They returned the following afternoon, with Lamkin’s stack setting the pace. “It went real good today,” he said during his post-game interviews. “I ran real good in all the all-ins. No bad beats or anything. Pretty smooth.”

About five hours after the final table began, Lamkin found himself heads-up with Scot Masters, who already had one Circuit victory on his tournament stat sheet. Lamkin denied Masters’ bid for a second, though, claiming his own first title and the largest result of his tournament career.

“It’s a good accolade to have,” Lamkin said as he admired his new piece of jewelry. “Trophy case stuff, you know. A little something to show off.”

