

**2016/2017 World Series of Poker Circuit  
Season 13  
Palm Beach Kennel Club  
West Palm Beach, Fla.  
Event #3  
No-Limit Hold'em  
Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)  
Total Entries: 92  
Prize Pool: \$27,600  
Nov. 13-14, 2016**



## **Eddie Salaga Takes Home the Gold**

**Recreational poker player Eddie Salaga wins Event #3 and \$8,280.**

**West Palm Beach, Fla. (November 14, 2016)** -- Eddie Salaga defeated 92 players in Event #3: \$365 No-Limit [Hold'em](#) to win his first career WSOP Circuit gold ring and \$8,280. He defeated Michael Bucar heads up to secure the win.

Salaga is a recreations player. He only plays in a few tournaments per year, but he has fared well in the few tournaments he has played in. Including this victory, Salga has seven career Circuit cashes for just over \$19,000.

Salaga enjoys the game and especially the social aspect of the game. He was thrilled with the victory, but still stressed how much he enjoyed meeting new people and hearing their stories during the tournament.

"The friends that I made and the people I met, and their stories and all. It's pretty freaking awesome," said Salaga.

It would be a mistake to take Salaga lightly at the tables just because he doesn't play regularly. Salaga comes in with a simple, yet effective strategy. He focuses on what he calls the "Three P's" to help keep himself in check. The three p's are patience, position and players.

"Patience is the main thing, position is really key, and getting to know a couple of the players at your table. If you can follow those three p's, with patience as the main thing, good things will happen eventually and that's what happened to me today."

Salaga plans to play one or two more events at the PBKC series including the seniors event. He just turned 55-years-old and this will be the first time he is eligible to play in the seniors event.

Salaga is a married and has two children. He intends to put part of his winnings toward his children's education and college tuition.

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Event #3 was the third of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at the Palm Beach Kennel Club. The \$365 No-Limit Hold'em tournament attracted 92 players generating a \$27,600 prize pool. The top 12 players were paid.

Day 1 began Sunday at 3 p.m. and lasted 18 levels. Day 2 began Monday at 3 p.m. with six players remaining. The tournament concluded at about 5:45 p.m. Monday near the end of Level 21.

The player who accumulates the most overall points during the Palm Beach Kennel Club 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 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](http://WSOP.com).

Here is the list of gold ring winners from the Palm Beach Kennel Club series:

EVENT #1: Matthew Wright defeated 322 players (\$365 NLHE Monster) for \$22,705

EVENT #2: Carlos Loving defeated 855 players (\$365 NLHE Re-Entry) for \$50,017

EVENT #3: Eddie Salaga defeated 92 players (\$365 NLHE) for \$8,210

With three tournaments wrapped up, nine more ring events remain at the Palm Beach Kennel Club series.

All rings at the Palm Beach Kennel Club series are furnished by [Jostens](http://Jostens), the official ring supplier of the 2016-2017 WSOP Circuit season.

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