

## 2016/2017 World Series of Poker Circuit

Season 13

Palm Beach Kennel Club

West Palm Beach, Fla.

Event #6

Six-Max No-Limit Hold'em

Buy-In: \$300 (+\$65)

Total Entries: 166

Prize Pool: \$49,800

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## Max Young Cruises to Six-Max Victory

**Oregon pro cashes for the fourth time this series, wins gold ring in Event #6**

**WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (February 15, 2017)** — Max Young is having quite a series at the Palm Beach Kennel Club. Through six events, Young has finished in the money four times, including two final table appearances. And one win. Young finally broke through this afternoon, conquering a short-handed field of 166 entries for his first-career Circuit victory. The result was worth \$13,944 in addition to the ring.

Young is a 31-year-old professional poker player from Portland, Oregon. He moved to the Pacific Northwest to surf, and he found a new hobby as he began to settle into his new home. It eventually became his new career.

“I played poker just to be social and meet people in the town,” he said. “A player noticed some things in my game that he thought were really strong. He pushed me to do a little studying, and I realized I could make a lot of money.” That player was Mike Balesky, and the champ credits him along with fellow-Oregonians Armand Alvarado and Troy Stinett for helping refine his game.

It was quite a performance for Young, who entered the final table in fifth place with seven players left. He went on quite a rush thereafter, eliminating the next three players, and taking a huge overnight lead into four-handed play. When Day 2 began, it was more of the same, with Young eliminating his last three opponents within a half hour. “I just realized I knocked everybody out at the final table,” he said, almost in disbelief. “I had to take advantage of the situation. Obviously I had a huge chip lead.”

The win gave Young another 50 points in the race for Casino Champion at this venue, moving him into third place with 85 points. He’s earned more than \$20,000 during the series’ first week at the Palm Beach Kennel Club. Here are his results so far:

Event #1	\$365 Monster Stack	50th place (\$546)!
Event #2	\$365 Re-Entry	13th place (\$3,984)!
Event #4	\$365 PLO8	6th place (\$2,207)!
Event #6	\$365 Six-Max	1st place (\$13,944)

