

2016/2017 World Series of Poker Circuit

Season 13

Harrah's New Orleans

New Orleans, La.

Event #7

No-Limit Hold'em (30-minute levels)

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

Total Entries: 370

Prize Pool: \$111,000

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Brandon Fish Wins Fifth Gold Ring in NOLA

Nebraska pro becomes the newest addition to the Circuit's five-time club

NEW ORLEANS, La. (May 20, 2017) — There's been a recent trend of players winning their fifth Circuit title — Roland Israelashvili and Cauffman Talley have both done it during the past month — and Brandon Fish has just become the newest addition to that list.

Fish defeated a field of 370 entries in a \$365 no-limit hold'em event at Harrah's New Orleans, winning his fifth gold ring and \$24,414 in cash. He also collected 50 points in the race for Casino Champion at this venue and in the season-long race for seats in the Global Casino Championship.

Fish is a 31-year-old professional poker player from Kearney, Nebraska, a small town along I-80 in the middle of the state. A familiar face on the WSOP Circuit, he's earned nearly \$300,000 on the traveling tour, including those five wins.

The breakthrough came in Atlantic City in 2012, where Fish won the big re-entry event for his first gold ring and a career-best score of more than \$50,000. It took more than two years to find another win, but the frequency of victory has been increasing a bit, of late. Fish went on to add a third ring early in 2016, then two more to start 2017 to bring him to five total and into some elite company on the Circuit's all-time leaderboard.

This win may have been the toughest yet for Fish, though. At the end of a 16-hour day of poker, he found himself heads-up against three-time Circuit winner Marshall White, who's running as hot as anyone on tour right now. White was fresh off a win in the \$580 event just one night prior, and it looked like he was well on his way to another ring as he began the duel with about a 4:1 lead over Fish.

Fish battled valiantly, though, won a flip or two and a 60/40 from the wrong end, and he was soon the one with a hammerlock on the title.

On the final hand of the match, White committed his last couple big blinds with a middling queen-three suited, and Fish woke up with pocket kings to earn himself a new set of winners' photos.

