



WSOP CIRCUIT 2017-18 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Horseshoe Hammond (Hammond, Ind.)	Date:	17 October 2017
Event:	No-Limit Hold'em	Entries:	199
Buy-in:	\$580	Prizepool:	\$99,500

JIM CALVO CLAIMS GOLD RING NUMBER ONE

After falling one spot shy of a bracelet, Jim Calvo claims gold ring in Hammond.

Jim Calvo came away with his first World Series of Poker gold ring on Monday. The 52-year-old poker player defeated a field of 199 players in Event #3: \$580 No-Limit Hold'em at the Horseshoe Hammond Circuit series, banking \$25,873 and 50 Casino Championship points to go along with his new piece of WSOP gold.

"It feels good. I mean, it feels great," Calvo expressed after his win "You know, I had a second place at the World Series of Poker in June. I was an overwhelming chip leader and then the guy came back, so that was disappointing," he said.

This past summer, at the 48th annual World Series of Poker in Las Vegas, Calvo was also faced with a shot at gold. He made it all the way to the end of Event #29: \$2,500 No-Limit Hold'em, but could not deliver the final blow,

Calvo finished one spot short of a gold bracelet, but did take away a massive payday of \$282,276. Although it is not a bracelet, and the payout dwarfs in comparison to his last score, the debut, gold-ring achievement was a thing of redemption for Calvo.

"I love having this ring. You know, it feels good. I like winning. I think it is a much bigger accomplishment to win," stated Calvo.

A first-place finish can certainly fill a player with gratification because prevailing in a heads-up match for all the marbles is never an easy task. That notion held true in Event #4.

It was a strenuous, back-and-forth battle between Byron Ziebell and Calvo for the Circuit title. Ziebell won the Potawatomi Casino Championship last season, and has one gold ring of his own. This time around, Calvo held strong and avoided another runner-up finish.

The father of four has, for the most part, been playing poker for a living in recent years.

“I used to say I was a recreational player, but I’ve been winning so much money lately it feels like it’s a little bit more of a hobby at this point,” Calvo said.

His other professions include being a Lawyer and Real Estate Investor. As Event #4 is concerned, Calvo emerged victorious as a poker pro. The Illinois native now has a memorable story to share with his children, Jimmy, Matt, Charlie, Joey, and pet dog, Rufus.

MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

Name:	Jim Calvo	Age:	52
Nationality:	USA	Profession:	Poker Pro
Birthplace:	Quincy, Ill.	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	Naperville, Ill.	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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