



WSOP CIRCUIT 2017-18 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Seminole Casino (Coconut Creek, FL)	Date:	24 September 2018
Event:	No-Limit Hold'em	Entries:	115
Buy-in:	\$400	Prizepool:	\$37,950

GREG BAIRD WINS \$400 NO-LIMIT HOLD'EM

Former trader from Chicago wins first ring in final event at Coconut Creek.

Greg Baird closed out the first of two Circuit stops at the Seminole Casino in Coconut Creek for the 2018-19 season with his first ring.

The Chicago native defeated 115 entries in the \$400 no-limit hold'em and earned \$11,385 for his first Circuit title.

"I've just been working on the game the last two years," said Baird. "Just trying to win something. I've had a few final tables in different events and it feels good to finally close something out."

Baird has WSOP results dating back to 2007, when he cashed in a \$5,000 no-limit hold'em bracelet event. But over the last few years, Baird's volume has picked up and he began to put up more consistent results. He final tabled the Hammond Seniors event in 2015 and a \$580 no-limit hold'em six-max event last February here at Coconut Creek.

Baird left Chicago a couple of years ago and moved to Naples, FL. It's in those last few years that he's put together more consistent results, culminating in Monday evening's victory. He came in with the chip lead and was never in danger of running out of them.

"I ran great," said Baird. "It's most important, I think. I got some big hands at the right time and they held."

Baird doesn't work there anymore, but when he was living and working in Chicago, he was a trader. The skills he picked up on the trading floor only helped him dominate the competition in South Florida.

“I’m unhireable,” joked Baird before elaborating on his skill sets. “It’s the same side of the brain. So, in case they open up the pits back up again, I’ll be ready to go from playing poker.”

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Name: Greg Baird
Nationality: American
Birthplace: Hinsdale, IL
Current Residence: Naples, FL

Age: 57
Profession: Retired Trader
WSOP Bracelets: 0
Previous WSOP Circuit Rings: 0

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