

WSOP CIRCUIT 2018-19 HIGH ROLLER REPORT

Circuit Stop: Horseshoe Hammond Date: 22 October 2018

Event: No-Limit Hold'em High Roller Entries: 68

Buy-in: \$5,300 Prizepool: \$340,000

JASON MANGOLD WINS HIGH ROLLER AT HAMMOND

Jason Mangold is no stranger to the poker room at Horseshoe Hammond. A Chicago resident of eight years, the Horseshoe has served as Mangold's home casino since he moved to the Windy City.

Mangold has had some success previously in tournament poker at Horseshoe, winning the \$210 daily tournament a few times for upwards of \$6,000 each time.

But on Monday night, Mangold added a much bigger score to his poker resume. The 35-year-old Vice President of Membership for a Chicago IT non-profit took down the \$5,300 High Roller, earning \$119,000 and a coveted WSOP Circuit Ring.

"I've been traveling quite a bit, so it was nice to take one home in my backyard," Mangold said after his win.

It was essentially a wire-to-wire victory for Mangold as he ended Day 1 atop the chip counts and was one of the biggest stacks in the field for much of Day 2. Mangold did run into some trouble with just five players remaining when he ran two pair into Stephen Song's set.

That hand dropped Mangold down to just 30 big blinds, but he recovered and was responsible for three of the final four eliminations.

Mangold emerged victorious from the field of 68 entrants that included numerous winners of WSOP Circuit and WSOP Bracelet events. Mangold noted that he had to adjust to all of the great players in the field.

"I feel like I had to change my style seven times during this tournament. I think if you talk to different people in this tournament, some would say I'm incredibly passive, others would say I was incredibly aggressive," he said.

The High Roller victory is the second six-figure poker score for Mangold in recent months, but this time around, it's not just the money he's excited about, but also the WSOP Circuit Ring.

"The money is great, but knowing that I just won a ring is unbelievable. It's so awesome," he said.

A long-time cash game player, Mangold said he recently shifted over to tournaments only since the summer. Much of his current momentum stems from a 15th place finish in the \$10,000 buyin 6-handed championship at the World Series of Poker.

Since that time, Mangold jokes that he has had two careers, one at the non-profit and another traveling across the country for poker tournaments.

"I'm living my dream, it's awesome," he said.

But Mangold acknowledged that his girlfriend Jessica has been incredibly supportive of his poker ambitions.

"I couldn't do this without her, she's been amazing," he said

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Current Residence: Brigdman, MI. Previous WSOP Circuit Rings: 0

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