



WSOP CIRCUIT 2018-19 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Harrah's Cherokee (Cherokee, N.C.)	Date:	28 November 2018
Event:	No-Limit Hold'em 8-Handed	Entries:	596
Buy-in:	\$400	Prizepool:	\$196,680

JIM BURNS PERSEVERES TO WIN 1ST GOLD RING

Sales Executive grasps Circuit title in wee hours of Wednesday morning.

Jim Burns persevered to win his first World Series of Poker gold ring at the Harrah's Cherokee Circuit series. It was not till the wee hours of Wednesday morning that Burns finally scooped up every chip in play, deeming him Champion of Event #6: \$400 No-Limit Hold'em 8-Handed. All in all, the 47-year-old Sales Executive beat out 596 entries in the one-day tournament.

"I think it's just taking a lot of experience," Burns responded when asked how he stays focused throughout such an extensive day of poker. "If something bad happens... you know, I think it's a really good idea to do your best to fold the next five, or six, hands," he continued "So, how do I stay focused? You know, listen to a little music and pay attention the whole time... It's so important to be looking at every hand whether you are in it or not."

Burns has a good amount of cashes under his belt. He even has two cashes in the annual WSOP in Las Vegas, one in 2012 for \$52,718 and another just this past summer for \$19,900. Even with the cashes, Burns has always strived to close a tournament out, but the achievement has eluded him till now.

"You know I just have never been able to catch fire once I get to the cash. And really, I was not in great shape until we got to like the last five, or six," said Burns.

Once it got down to the wire, Burns began to get on a roll, winning crucial all-in spots. His final opponent was two-time gold ring winner Christopher Carey. In the end, Burns' hot streak could not be stopped, and Carey narrowly missed out on a third Circuit title.

The collective purse for Burns included his first WSOP gold ring, \$43,260 payout, and 50 Casino Championship points. The Tennessee resident now has right around \$150,000 in WSOP earnings.

MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

Name:	Jim Burns	Age:	47
Nationality:	USA	Occupation:	Sales Executive
Birthplace:	Ashland, Ky.	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	Nashville, Tenn.	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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