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OFCP the new NLHE?

For a few months now, we've heard how Open Face Chinese Poker has spread quickly through the ranks of pro poker players, who often can be found playing the game on their phones while in the middle of a large buy-in live tournament. But when we visited Las Vegas this summer for the World Series of Poker, we knew instantly this game is more than just a poker fad. It just might be the game that gives poker its next big boost.

No fewer than three Las Vegas poker rooms spread an Open Face Chinese Poker tournament in the span of less than a month, highlighted by the \$5,000 buy-in event at the Rio's Carnivale of Poker. In addition, table after table spread the game live at the Rio and other casinos around town. We here at *Ante Up* are so smitten with the game that we've added at least one OFCP shootout tournament to all of our future Ante Up Poker Cruises.

If you haven't played it, please check out **Natasha Barbour's** primer on Page 40 of *Ante Up's* May issue.

But if you have played it, you know why it's taken off. One card can mean the difference between fouling your hand or moving into Fantasyland, with a great deal of money at stake for either outcome. And more important in bringing about poker's next big boost, it's a great entry-level poker game. All you need to know about poker to play is hand ranks. The rest of the game is just skillfully solving a puzzle. And that's why we believe Open Face Chinese Poker is going to break through the clutter of fad games of the past and be with us for a long time.

We'll see you at the tables.

— Christopher Cosenza and Scott Long

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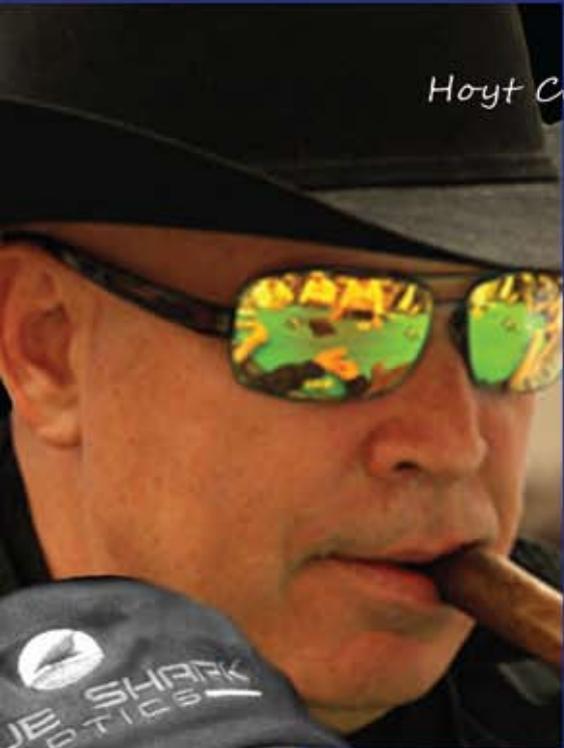
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PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP BEGINS AUG. 1

August is an exciting month for tournament players in Northern California as two of the premier rooms in the area are hosting annual tournament series. Thunder Valley Casino Resort (Lincoln) and Bay 101 (San Jose) are known for attracting players from all over the country.



GARRETT ROTH
NORCAL

Thunder Valley will host its Players Championship on Aug. 1-12 with various types of events, including no-limit hold'em, Omaha/8 and H.O.R.S.E.

The series culminates with a \$250K guarantee main event (\$1,100) with Day 1A, Aug. 8 (4 p.m.), Day 1B, Aug. 9 (4 p.m.) and Day 1C, Aug. 10 (11 a.m.). Day 2 will be Aug. 11 (11 a.m.) while the live-streaming final table will be Aug. 12 (4 p.m.). Playing a main event is unique at Thunder Valley as its one of the only NorCal rooms to live stream final tables.

Thunder Valley is running main-event satellites before and during the Players Championship with buy-ins ranging from \$65-\$235. Preliminary event satellites also are available.

After the Players Championship, Bay 101 will host its Bay 101 Open (Aug. 12-19), which will include seven events. The Bay 101 Open championship has a \$1,080 buy-in with Day 1A on Aug. 17 (9:30 a.m.) and Day 1B on Aug. 18 (9:30 a.m.). The

final day will be Aug. 19 at noon.

Be sure to visit each room's website for more details.

Thunder Valley Players Championship

- Event 1 (Aug. 1): \$20K deepstack (\$175)
- Event 2 (Aug. 2-4): \$150K deepstack (\$425)
- Event 3 (Aug. 4): \$10K Bounty (\$150)
- Event 4 (Aug. 5): Ante Only (\$100)
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- Event 6 (Aug. 6): Omaha/8 (\$100)
- Event 7 (Aug. 6): \$15K Turbo (\$150)
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- Event 10 (Aug. 8-12): \$250K Main Event (\$1,100)
- Event 11 (Aug. 11): \$10K Turbo (\$125)

Bay 101 Open

- Event 1 (Aug. 12): NLHE (\$345)
- Event 2 (Aug. 13): PLO/8 (\$345)
- Event 3 (Aug. 14): NLHE (\$345)
- Event 4 (Aug. 15): Partners (\$450)
- Event 5 (Aug. 16): Shootout (\$550)
- Event 6 (Aug. 17-19): Championship (\$1,080)
- Event 7 (Aug. 19): All-In or Fold (\$120)

— Email NorCal Ambassador Garrett Roth at roth@anteupmagazine.com.



PACIFIC NORTHWEST

No bling for PNW players

By Philip Dobrikin

While Washington and Oregon players had a good year at the World Series of Poker, no one came home with a bracelet from any of the undercard events. Three players finished runner-up: **Scott Clements**, who won \$292,339 in Event 11, (\$2,500 six-max); **Lee Markholt**, who earned \$374,960 in Event 32 (\$5K six-max) and Portland's **Douglas Corning**, who pocketed \$237,374 in Event 35 (\$3K PLO). Here is a list of Pacific Northwest players who finished in the top 10 of WSOP undercard events.

Event 3: **Darren Rabinowitz**, seventh; Event 5: **Dustin Leary**, ninth; Event 6: **Theron Eichenberger**, ninth; Event 11: Clements, second; Event 12: **Nicolas Halvorson**, seventh; Event 15: **Rep Porter**, fourth; Event 20: **Won Goag**, eighth; Event 24: **Robert Brewer**, ninth; Event 27: **Yevgeniy Timoshenko**, fifth; Event 28: **Dan Martin**, sixth; Event 29: **Craig McKinnon**, 10th; Event 31: **Gabriel Blumenthal**, fifth; **Stephen Johnson**, 10th; Event 32: Markholt, second; Event 33: **Rick Fuller**, seventh; Event 35: Corning, second; Clements, fifth; Event 36: **Noah Bronstein**, ninth; Event 41: **Lee Goldman**, fifth; Timoshenko, seventh; Event 42: **Dana Buck**, eighth; Event 49: **Noah Sandler**, eighth.

— Philip Dobrikin is Ante Up's Pacific Northwest Ambassador. Email him at anteupphil@gmail.com.



NEVADA

New events in Reno this summer

Many local casinos are adding daily and monthly tournaments along with customer-appreciation freerolls this summer.

ATLANTIS CASINO: It just added a \$5K guarantee for \$80 every second weekend of the month. Players can qualify for a free seat by being in the top 90 in cash-game hours or top 10 in tournament points earned the previous month. The casino also has the WPT Regional Western Poker Challenge coming up Sept. 13-23, with 27 events and \$350K in guarantees.



LESLIE PAULS
RENO

GRAND SIERRA RESORT: The poker room is offering megastack tournaments every Friday and Saturday at 6:30 p.m. for \$80 with 20K chips. This is a dream tournament for those of you who enjoy deepstacks, and the prize pools are continually growing. The Summer Pot o' Gold series was wrapping up at press time, so the fall series will kick off in about three months.

PEPPERMILL: Just voted best hotel and casino by northern Nevada locals, if you haven't had the opportunity to see Peppermill's poker room, you must put it on your to-do list the next time you visit Reno.

EL DORADO: **Jody Russell**, who writes the Call the Floor column for *Ante Up* and has been in the business for about 13 years, was hired as a supervisor. The cash action is still hot at the El Dorado, as it's the city's only downtown cardroom, offers great dailies and a popular \$2,500 freeroll the first Friday of the month.

— Leslie Pauls is an Ante Up Ambassador for Reno and a representative for Blue Shark Optics. Email her at anteupcali@gmail.com.



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Day 1C • Sat., 9/28 • 1PM		
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NORMAN CAPTURES LIPS QUEEN TITLE AT NUGGET

Dianna Lee Norman of San Diego captured the LIPS Poker Queen Grand Championship at the Golden Nugget in Las Vegas, winning \$17,782 and a gold-and-diamond bracelet. **Norman** earned her seat by winning the Golden State Ladies Championship at Pechanga in April. Day 1 of the \$250 event began on June 29, drawing a field of 382 players that included pros **Linda Johnson, Jan Fisher, Karina Jett** and **Susie Isaacs**. The prize pool was \$74,178. Each player received 15K chips with 40-minute levels and the top 36 were paid.



**KITTIE
ALEMAN
SOCAL**

When the tournament got heads-up, Norman faced **Julie Freer** of Redmond, Wash. Norman was the substantial chipleader and needed just 15 minutes to end the tournament. Freer moved all-in with A-J for 550K chips, Norman called with 9-9 and Freer never improved.

This is the second ladies win for Norman this year. She had been a blackjack player before watching a poker show in 2005 and deciding to try her hand at poker. She said the best advice she's been given is, "For every hour you play at the table, you should spend an hour or two off of the felt studying and learning about the game."



Her advice to other players? "You don't have to beat the house, just the other players, one hand at time." She said she also feels winning players know how to fold as well.

VIEJAS: The poker room will host \$5K freerolls on Aug. 4 and 18. The final 20 players standing win \$250 each. Qualify with 10 hours of live play. Also in August is the King's Ransom Mini Jackpot. Get beat with kings full of jacks or better and earn \$400 for the losing hand, \$200 for the winner and \$100 for table share.

CHUMASH: Quite a lot of promotions are running this month in the Chumash poker room. The Friday High Hand promotion will earn you tickets for eights full or better starting at 11 a.m. playing Big O (five-card Omaha) and Omaha. Drawings will be every half-hour between 1-4 p.m. ... Ask about the splash pots where up to three tables will be splashed with extra cash as a result of drawings every 30 minutes, depending on the number of games going. ... The Monte Carlo High Hands special is a weekly high hand board with various bonuses for each hand. Once they are hit they get removed from the board. When the board resets, any hands that have not been hit for that week will have funds added to them.

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MEGA MILLIONS HIGHLIGHTS LEGENDS SCHEDULE

Well, the World Series of Poker is over, for the most part. Do you need the opportunity to get those bad beats out of your system? Then the annual Legends of Poker at the Bicycle Casino is the place to be. Beginning July 28, with buy-ins ranging from \$70 to \$3,700, the series is anchored by the hugely successful Bicycle Mega Millions VII and the World Poker Tour main event.



DAVE PALM
LOS ANGELES

With 30 events, more than \$2.25 million in guarantees and 66 starting flights over five weeks, there's something for everyone. There are six events with multiple starting flights, most notable being the re-entry Mega Millions that has 22 starting flights running daily at 1 and 6 p.m. between Aug. 2-12. The winner of the Mega Millions will earn \$200K as the event has a \$1 million guarantee. Oh, and the buy-in is only \$160. How could you not play in this?

The main event, which will be a WPT-televised stop, is sporting a \$3 million estimated prize pool. It features three Day 1s (Aug. 29-31) and if you're eliminated in any of the Day 1s you can re-enter the next day. Buy-in is \$3,700.

For hold'em specialists, formats include LHE, six-handed, bounty, shootout, turbo and a \$345 survivor that works similar to a satellite where the top 10 percent all make \$3K.

Non-hold'em players shouldn't feel left out, however. If pot-limit Omaha and rebuys get you energized, there's PLO with rebuys on Aug. 13 and PLO/8 with rebuys Aug. 14. Event 25 on Aug. 28 is badugi/2-7 triple draw/baduci. You could play Omaha 8-Stud/8 on Aug. 15 or try the three-starting-day-\$100K guarantee Omaha/8 event on Aug. 21. Of course, no series today would be complete without an Open Face Chinese



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Please see the Bicycle Casino's ad on the facing page for the schedule of events and information.

HAWAIIAN GARDENS: If you are fortunate enough to pick up this copy of *Ante Up* before the starting dates, there may still be time for you to enter the Gardens Casino's \$100K guarantee tournament. The event has five starting flights July 29-31 and the buy-in is a mere \$115. You start with 5K chips and there's an optional \$10 add-on for another 3K chips. There's also one \$100 optional rebuy that will get you 8K chips.

The top-two chipleaders from each flight will win \$500 each. Satellites for this event begin July 27 and the finals will be Aug. 1 at 5 p.m. For more details, be sure to contact the poker room.

— **Dave Palm is Ante Up's L.A. Ambassador. Email him at LA.AnteUp@gmail.com.**



PINNACLE BRINGS CHANGE TO ST. LOUIS MARKET



DON MATUSOFSKY
MISSOURI

Pinnacle Entertainment has agreed to acquire Ameristar Casinos in December and has been working to get approvals from all of the states involved. Approvals have been granted in Nevada, Mississippi and Indiana. In May, the Federal Trade Commission expressed concern about reduced completion in St. Louis and Lake Charles, La., areas. These were the only markets where the two companies overlap.

Pinnacle said it reached an agreement with the FTC and intends to sell the Ameristar property under construction in Lake Charles, La., and the downtown St. Louis properties (Lumiere Place Casino, HoteLumiere and the Four Seasons Hotel). Pinnacle would then operate the River City Casino and Ameristar St. Charles. This still needs approval from the Missouri Gaming Commission.

"The Missouri Gaming Commission is conducting its own independent investigation on the Pinnacle-Ameristar transaction," MGC public information coordinator **LeAnn McCarthy** said. "We have no timeline as of this writing. The MGC takes all factors into account in granting approval of any change of control.

"We do still anticipate closing on the merger in the third quarter of this year, as planned," Pinnacle corporate director of media relations **Kerry Andersen** said.

Replacing Lumiere with Ameristar St. Charles will increase Pinnacle's St. Louis market share from 43 percent to 54 percent. The Ameristar St. Charles property has the largest revenues in St. Louis based on the most recent MGC reporting.

In future issues, I'll have more on this story, and how it affects poker in the area, as details are released.

— **Don Matusofsky is Ante Up's Missouri Ambassador. Email him at anteupdonm@gmail.com.**

LEGENDS OF POKER

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NO LIMIT HOLD'EM Re-Entry:						
2	Sun	7/28	6pm	Day A	\$150,000 GTD First Place \$40,000 Every Event 1 Opt Add-On For \$50	
	Mon	7/29	1pm* & 6pm	Day B		\$150
	Tue	7/30	1pm* & 6pm	Day C		\$150
	Wed	7/31	1pm* & 6pm	Day D		\$150
3	Thu	8/1	1pm	LIMIT HOLD'EM	\$20K GTD \$345	
4	Thu	8/1	4pm	NLHE DEEPSTACK Re-Entry	\$30K GTD \$345	
NO LIMIT HOLD'EM Re-Entry:						
5	Fri	8/2	1pm & 6pm	Day A	MEGA MILLION VII \$1,000,000 GUARANTEED First Place \$200,000 Every Event 1 Opt Add-On For \$100 If Qualify More Than Once, You Will Receive WPT Main Event Seat	
	Sat	8/3	1pm & 6pm	Day B		\$160
	Sun	8/4	1pm & 6pm	Day C		\$160
	Mon	8/5	1pm* & 6pm	Day D		\$160
	Tue	8/6	1pm* & 6pm	Day E		\$160
	Wed	8/7	1pm* & 6pm	Day F		\$160
	Thu	8/8	1pm* & 6pm	Day G		\$160
	Fri	8/9	1pm* & 6pm	Day H		\$160
	Sat	8/10	1pm & 6pm	Day I		\$160
	Sun	8/11	1pm & 6pm	Day J		\$160
	Mon	8/12	1pm & 6pm	Day K		\$160
	Mon	8/12	8pm	MEGA SATELLITE FOR MM VII Day 2 TWO \$5K SEATS GUARANTEED		\$1,100
	Tues	8/13	6pm	MEGA MILLIONS VII NLHE Day 2 <i>(200k Chips or 40 BB Whichever is Greater)</i> No late registration		\$5,000
6	Tue	8/13	1pm	P.L. OMAHA HIGH With Re-Buys		\$20K GTD \$235
7	Tue	8/13	4pm	NLHE DEEPSTACK RE-ENTRY	\$30K GTD \$345	
8	Wed	8/14	1pm	P.L. OMAHA 8 OR BETTER With Re-Buys	\$20K GTD \$235	
9	Wed	8/14	4pm	NLHE DEEPSTACK RE-ENTRY	\$30K GTD \$345	
10	Thu	8/15	1pm	E.O. STUD 8 / OMAHA 8 OR BETTER	\$10K GTD \$235	
11	Thu	8/15	6pm	NLHE TURBO (20K Chips)	\$20K GTD \$235	
NLHE DEEPSTACK Re-Entry (20K Chips):						
12	Fri	8/16	4pm	Day 1A	\$200,000 GTD The Top 3 Places Will Each Receive \$1600 Seats to Event #24.	
	Sat	8/17	1pm	Day 1B		\$345
	Sun	8/18	1pm	Day 1C		\$345
	Mon	8/19	4pm	Day 1D		\$345
13	Tue	8/20	1pm	NLHE SURVIVOR (10% Will Get \$3,000 Cash Each)	\$345	
14	Tue	8/20	6pm	NLHE TURBO (20K Chips)	\$30K GTD \$345	

#	DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT	BUY-IN	
OMAHA 8 OR BETTER 2 Day Event:						
15	Wed	8/21	1pm	Day 1A	\$100,000 GTD	
	Thu	8/22	1pm	Day 1B		\$345
	Fri	8/23	1pm	Day 1C		\$345
16	Wed	8/21	6pm	NLHE SHOOTOUT <i>(2 Players Advance)</i>	\$20K GTD \$345	
17	Thu	8/22	4pm	NLHE DEEPSTACK RE-ENTRY	\$30K GTD \$345	
18	Fri	8/23	6pm	NLHE TURBO (20K Chips)	\$30K GTD \$345	
NLHE DEEPSTACK:** LATS						
19	Sat	8/24	1pm	Day 1A	\$200,000 GTD The Top 3 Places Will Each Receive a WPT Main Event Seat.	
	Sun	8/25	1pm	Day 1B		\$1,100
	Mon	8/26	1pm	Day 1C		\$1,100
20	Sat	8/24	6pm	NLHE BOUNTY (\$100 Included)	\$30K GTD \$345	
21	Sun	8/25	4pm	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM MARIANI / BUSS EVENT	\$20K GTD \$365	
22	Mon	8/26	6pm	NLHE 6 HANDED	\$30K GTD \$345	
23	Tue	8/27	1pm	H.O.R.S.E. (2 Day Event)	\$30,000 GTD \$550	
	Tue	8/27	2pm	MEGA SATELLITE FOR \$1,600	2 Seats GTD \$225	
24	Tue	8/27	4pm	NLHE DEEPSTACK <i>(2 Day Event)</i>	\$100,000 GTD \$1,600	
	Tue	8/27	8pm	WPT MAIN EVENT MEGA SATELLITE	1 Seat GTD \$400	
25	Wed	8/28	1pm	BADUGI / 2-7 TRIPLE DRAW / BADUGI WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP	\$20K GTD \$550	
26	Wed	8/28	6pm	NLHE TURBO (20K Chips)	\$30K GTD \$550	
	Wed	8/28	2pm & 8pm	WPT MAIN EVENT MEGA SATELLITE	3 Seats GTD \$400	
WPT NLHE MAIN EVENT:**						
27	Thu	8/29	1pm	DAY 1A	\$3,000,000 EST If You Are Eliminated Any Day, You May Re-enter Next Day.	
	Fri	8/30	1pm	DAY 1B		\$3,700
	Sat	8/31	1pm	DAY 1C		\$3,700
WPT Day 2 Sunday 9/1. Day 3 Monday 9/2. Day 4 Tuesday 9/3. Filming Wednesday 9/4.						
28	Sat	8/31	4pm	NLHE DEEPSTACK <i>(Re-Entry 20K Chips)</i>	\$50,000 GTD \$550	
29	Sun	9/1	1pm	LIPS USLPC INVITATIONAL <i>Winner Will Play on Televised WPT Ladies Night on Sept 5th.</i>	\$290	
30	Mon	9/2	4pm	OPEN FACE CHINESE POKER	\$1,100	

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HIALEAH PARK POISED FOR HISTORIC RETURN

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DAVE LEMMON
SOUTH FLORIDA

When I got my behind-the-scenes tour in early July, and with a projected opening still three weeks away, the traditional racetrack was a beehive of activity by designers, construction workers and landscapers as the long-term vision of **John Brunetti** was quickly becoming a reality. For those who visited the facility during its heyday in the second half of the 20th century, the familiar pink accents will once again be recognizable, while modern comforts also will be a welcome sight.

The track has attracted political and entertainment dignitaries over many decades since opening in the early 1920s as a greyhound track and switching over to horse racing a few years later. However, it was after **Joseph Widener**, an heir to a streetcar fortune, bought the property in 1930 that it really took shape. Along with architect **Lester Geisler**, Widener created the European flourishes in the buildings and the lush landscaping around them, and brought in dozens of pink flamingoes to live on the infield of the track.

Sweeping staircases and tree-lined paths were copied from traditional English and French tracks, while the terraces and balustrades of the clubhouse were reminiscent of the casinos of Monte Carlo. Several U.S. presidents, such as **Harry Truman**, **Richard Nixon**, **FDR** and **JFK**, made numerous visits, while celebrities such as **Frank Sinatra**, **Bing Crosby** and **Will Rogers** often enjoyed themselves along with **Winston Churchill**. The greatest names in horse racing history, from **Seabiscuit** to **John Henry**, raced in front of massive crowds.

But changes in the social landscape of South Florida and increased competition from Gulfstream Park and Calder Race Course would doom Hialeah Park. Brunetti bought the property in 1977 and presided over some of Hialeah's most profitable seasons, always hoping to bring in casinos and create a wide-ranging entertainment attraction. He fought hard against competitors and politicians to continue advancing his dream, but when Florida deregulated operating dates at the turn of the century and Hialeah lost its mid-winter exclusivity, an angry Brunetti shut down the track after running his last thoroughbred race in 2001. Three years later, the Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering revoked his thoroughbred permit.

But Brunetti refused to give up his dream as Hialeah Park reopened with quarterhorse racing in November 2009, launching a now-successful plan to install slot machines.

With a target opening date of July 23, South Florida will again be treated to the combination of traditional and modern beauty on the nearly 300 acres between Palm Avenue and East 4th Avenue. With slots on the first floor and the cardroom on the second, Phase 1 will be under way. The 12,000-square-foot poker room will be gorgeous and roomy, with 24 tables and three dominoes tables, leaving plenty of room for big crowds. An outside terrace is huge, awarding players on break with a great view and/or a comfortable place to smoke.

With former Gulfstream president/GM **Steve Calabro** heading the gaming operation and **Nelson Costa** (former director at Casino Miami Jai-Alai) hired in June as the director of poker, there's plenty of experience at the top. Costa, a long-time resident of Hialeah, understands the balance needed to manage a room in a multi-cultural area.

"We will be lenient in the beginning, but as far as the effect on the games, we will be completely following the rules in order for us to grow, and we want everyone to be comfortable," he said about the language differences in South Florida. He also promises to attract an upscale clientele by offering a VIP area, including rental safe-deposit boxes for regular patrons and special charging stations to accommodate the latest technology. Costa said he has been given the green light to aggressively attract new customers with a combination of high-hand promotions and large-guarantee tournaments and will open the room with a substantially seeded royal-flush jackpot.

In addition to the \$200K in beautiful lighting fixtures and about 60 big-screen TVs, there will be plush, comfortable couches and a large bar connected to the playing area. The first Sunday will feature a multitable tournament with a \$10K guarantee, and shortly after opening, a \$50K guarantee deep-stack tourney with a \$20K first prize will get things rolling with six opening sessions.

Costa also promises \$300 high hands every 15 minutes in the early mix, plus a special "Cash For All" promotion offered on Fridays with the high hand awarded every three hours, giving \$400 to the winner and \$100 to everyone else at that table.

There will be a transportation option that no other casino can offer: The Hialeah Metrorail station is near the edge of the property, granting convenient access from most parts of Dade County, including Kendall and downtown Miami.

The new slogan for the facility is "Hialeah Park: Now & Forever." We can forgive them for the eight-year period when the place went dark and we temporarily lost one of the true jewels of South Florida.

— **Big Dave Lemmon** is Ante Up's South Florida Ambassador. Email him at bigdave@pokeractionline.com.

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Just because it's summertime doesn't mean all of the fun has to be outdoors. There's plenty of thrilling poker action to be found all across North Florida. Bestbet Jacksonville and Daytona Beach Kennel Club hosted tournaments featuring \$50K guaranteed prize pools.



CHARLES ALLISON
NORTH FLORIDA

At bestbet, 230 players entered the \$340 buy-in event, cracking the guarantee for a prize pool of \$69K. **Ed Mrockowski** locked up his second final table in as many months (he finished second to **Ryan Settles** in May) en route to the \$10K first-place prize.

He's a bestbet regular who has multiple final-table appearances all across the country. He also holds the trophy from bestbet's All-In or Fold tournament. It wasn't an easy road to the win; the final table was full of local pros, including **Jie-Liu**, **Joe Stoecklein** and **Alan Percal**.

Mrockowski started Day 2 with the biggest stack and maintained it. His win brought his summer total to \$19K, and he took that money to the World Series of Poker.

DBKC: The \$125 buy-in Summer Daze tournament leapfrogged the \$50K guarantee as well. More than 600 players came out to Daytona to generate a \$62K prize pool. Day 2 started with 173 players, each hoping to earn a spot at the final table. Pro **Blake Wittington**, who has multiple big cashes and wins in Florida, came up just shy of that goal, falling in 15th place. Local dealer **Brad Burleigh** made a strong run, but ended up 13th.



Ed Mrockowski jokes
after his victory.

With those two sharks out the water, it would be a much easier swim to first place. It had been a long, grueling day of poker for everyone who made it to the final table, so when five players were left standing the prize pool was chopped, giving each player \$7,920. **Vincent White** took

home the trophy.

EBRO: In the Panhandle, the folks at Ebro are gearing up for the \$15K Poker Challenge, where seats can be won throughout the summer with the final tournament this month. Be sure to call the poker room for more details.

— **Charles Allison** is Ante Up's North Florida Ambassador. Email him at anteupcharles@gmail.com.

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DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT #	EVENT DESCRIPTION	BUY-IN	ROUNDS	CHIPS	GUARANTEE
9/6	Fri	12pm	Main Event	No Limit Hold'em Main Event Day 1A	\$1,500	60 min	20,000	\$300,000
9/7	Sat	12pm	Main Event	No Limit Hold'em Main Event Day 1B	\$1,500	60 min	20,000	
9/8	Sun	12pm	Main Event	Day 2		60 min		
9/9	Mon	2pm	Main Event	Final Day		60 min		

CARD PLAYER POKER TOUR SERIES 2013

DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT #	EVENT DESCRIPTION	BUY-IN	ROUNDS	CHIPS	GUARANTEE
8/29	Thu	12pm	#1	No Limit Hold'em Day 1A	\$350	40 min	15,000	\$100,000
8/29	Thu	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
8/30	Fri	12pm	#1	No Limit Hold'em Day 1B	\$350	40 min	15,000	
8/30	Fri	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
8/31	Sat	12pm	#1	No Limit Hold'em Day 1C	\$350	40 min	15,000	
8/31	Sat	3pm	#2	H.O.R.S.E.	\$240	30 min	10,000	
8/31	Sat	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
9/1	Sun	12pm	#1	Event #1 Final Day				
9/1	Sun	12pm	#3	Limit Omaha 8 or Better	\$240	30 min	10,000	
9/1	Sun	3pm	#4	No Limit Hold'em	\$240	30 min	10,000	
9/1	Sun	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
9/2	Mon	12pm	#5	No Limit Hold'em W/ \$100 Bounties	\$350	30 min	10,000	
9/2	Mon	3pm	#6	No Limit Hold'em	\$240	30 min	10,000	
9/2	Mon	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
9/3	Tue	12pm	#7	Pot Limit Omaha 8 or Better	\$350	30 min	10,000	
9/3	Tue	3pm	#8	No Limit Hold'em	\$240	30 min	10,000	
9/3	Tue	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
9/4	Wed	12pm	#9	No Limit Hold'em	\$350	30 min	10,000	
9/4	Wed	3pm	#10	No Limit Hold'em TURBO	\$240	15 min	10,000	
9/4	Wed	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$350	20 min	10,000	
9/5	Thu	12pm	#11	No Limit Hold'em	\$570	30 min	15,000	
9/5	Thu	3pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
9/5	Thu	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$350	20 min	10,000	\$300,000
9/6	Fri	12pm	Main Event	No Limit Hold'em Main Event Day 1A	\$1,500	60 min	20,000	
9/6	Fri	3pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
9/6	Fri	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$350	20 min	10,000	
9/7	Sat	12pm	Main Event	No Limit Hold'em Main Event Day 1B	\$1,500	60 min	20,000	
9/7	Sat	3pm	#12	All in or Fold Hold'em W/ \$50 Bounties	\$240	20 min	10,000	
9/8	Sun	12pm	Main Event	Day 2		60 min		
9/8	Sun	3pm	#13	No Limit Hold'em W/ \$50 Bounties	\$240	30 min	10,000	
9/9	Mon	2pm	Main Event	Final Day		60 min		

All events other than event #12 will allow one re-entry within the registration period. • Event #12 All in or Fold will allow unlimited re-entries during the registration period. • All events are one day events, except for events #1 and the Main Event. • Event #1 is a four day event. There will be three starting flights allowing re-entry on subsequent flights, as well as one re-entry on the same day. • Main Event is a four day event with two starting days allowing re-entry on the next day, as well as one re-entry on the same day. • Main Event final table will be live streamed on the internet at www.cardplayer.com. • Registration for the Main Event is open through the second break. • Registration for all other events is open through the first break. • Single and multi table satellites start August 1st. • Single table satellites running daily. • Management reserves the right to alter or cancel promotion / tournament at any time.

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ANDREW MALOWITZ
CENTRAL FLA.

While most tournaments at Lucky's range from \$25-\$80, the last Sunday of the month is the Monthly Challenge, a \$115 tournament with \$10 dealer add-on for 20K chips. The blinds are 25 minutes and they don't skip a level, meaning 75-150 is there and 150-300 with a 25 ante is there.

I made my way to Lucky's for this deepstack, and for \$125, the price and play could not be beat. While I didn't get too deep in the tournament (bad situations turned into heading home early), this is definitely a monthly tournament worth playing.

DERBY LANE: The St. Pete poker room continued with its Mega-

Mega series with the final day culminating the last Sunday in July. Derby also has been active in the promotional scene, hosting 15-minute high hands on Thursdays from 3-10 p.m. in June and July

HARD ROCK: The poker room continues its march toward Hollywood by drawing for seats to the \$10 million guarantee tournament at its sister property, which is Aug. 22-28. Also super

satellites will be run continuously until the series. ... In tournament news, Orlando's **Barry Wiedemann** captured the Hard Rock's Summer WPT Regional \$1,450 main event, earning \$87,558 on June 6. The tournament drew 236 players for a \$312,700 prize pool. **Anthony March** finished second for \$51,596, the first significant cash of his career.

MORE INFO PLEASE: While we try to get the best/most information for our readers, there's a possibility we're missing a game, a good series or promotion. If this

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MARY BRADLEY
SOUTHWEST

Driving from East to West, you must decide whether to begin in the beauty of extreme northern New Mexico, at Northern Edge Navajo Casino near Farmington (almost in Colorado), or in the lush oasis of extreme southern New Mexico, at the Inn of the Mountain Gods near Ruidoso, (2.5 hours from Texas and Mexico). New Mexico is a huge state, but a bonanza of exciting poker rooms are clustered just north of center, with relatively few miles in between. North to South in this area are Buffalo Thunder near Santa Fe and the Albuquerque hot-spot casinos of Santa Ana Star, Sandia and Isleta, with Route 66 a little east.

Arizona is another large, scenic state, with most of its amazing rooms conveniently gathered in the central/southern area. Cliff Castle (south of Flagstaff) is northernmost, and the Tucson casinos of Casino Del Sol and Desert Diamond are almost two hours south of Phoenix. Clustered in the middle near

Phoenix ("near" being another relative term) are Casino Arizona Talking Stick (Scottsdale), Harrah's Ak-Chin (Maricopa), Ft. McDowell (Fountain Hills), Vee Quiva (Laveen) and Wild Horse Pass (Chandler). Road-trippers will find each of these poker rooms super-friendly and unique.

TALKING STICK RESORT: The Arena Poker Room hosts its ninth annual Arizona State Championship (Aug. 9-13). Entry is \$1,080 for 16K chips. Staff appreciation is \$30 for 10K more. You can sign up for this tournament by calling 480-850-7734 or you can buy-in at the poker room. Tournaments the week before the state championship include a big-stack event (Aug. 3, 11:15 a.m., \$330); Super Satellite Sunday (Aug. 4, 11:15 a.m., \$130); plus warm-up events (Aug. 5, 11:15, \$120; Aug. 6, 11:15, \$225; Aug. 7, 11:15, \$330; and Aug. 8, 11:15, \$550).

BUFFALO THUNDER: On Aug. 11 (2 p.m.) is an Omaha/8 event (\$100, one re-entry allowed), and \$100 added per table. A special 1 p.m. Last-Saturday-of-the-Month deepstack tournament is \$150 on Aug. 31.

SANDIA: This poker room has Sizzlin' Summer Thursday Nights (Aug. 1, 8, 15 and 22) 7 p.m., \$60 buy-in with \$500 added to the prize pool. And, on Aug. 29 at 7 p.m., the \$100 main event has \$1K added.

— **Mary Bradley is Ante Up's Southwest Ambassador. You can email her at anteupmary@gmail.com.**



CPC returns to Golden Gates this month

The Colorado Poker Championship series at Golden Gates grows in popularity all the time. So perhaps it's no surprise that even though CPC6 just ran in May, the Gates has scheduled CPC7 to begin Aug. 12 and will run through Sept. 2.



RICK GERSHMAN
COLORADO

The May event drew a 183-player field for the \$1,000 no-limit hold'em main event and solid turnouts for all the series events, so it's hard to blame the Gates for going back to the well so soon.

MARDI GRAS TRANSFORMATION: One of the Gates' neighboring sister sites, the Golden Mardi Gras, is well into an expansion and renovation project that includes not only a renovated poker room but new carpet, escalators on the second and third floors and more than 300 new slots.

This comes on the heels of some substantial renovations at the Gates, as local rooms look to modernize and provide some of the creature comforts typical of newer casinos.

BRUCE FINISHES FIFTH: Congratulations to **Connie Bruce** of Longmont, who earned \$36,078 for her fifth-place finish in the \$1K ladies event at the World Series of Poker in Las Vegas.

It was the first visit to the WSOP for the real-estate agent, who had placed 30th in a Heartland Poker Tour stop at Golden Gates. She cashed \$2,606 in that September 2010 event.

TAX RATE REMAINS: The Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission recently announced Colorado casinos won't have any change in their 20 percent tax rate this year.

The Colorado Gaming Association, which regulates the casinos, had pushed for a decrease in the past — and it succeeded in getting a 5 percent cut for a couple of years — but it elected not to ask for another cut this year.

The 20 percent rate is the most the state can tax the casinos without taking it to the voters.

According to the commission's numbers, gross gaming revenue for the state's 41 casinos was about \$763 million in 2012, up from \$745 million in 2011. That suggests the casinos have bounced back somewhat from a recession-related dip, so poker players should remain confident there will be plenty of rooms running now and in the future.

NAME CHANGE: Fitzgeralds Casino is now Saratoga Casino Black Hawk. The change follows a \$7.5-million renovation courtesy of new owner Saratoga Harness Racing Inc. Improvements include a remodeled third floor and two new dining options, Diamond Jim's Bar and the Garden Buffet. The site still doesn't offer a poker room, but its table games do include craps, blackjack and roulette.

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LUMPP TAKES OVER BELLAGIO'S POKER ROOM

Craig Lumpp, the new director of poker at Bellagio Hotel & Casino, sat with me to discuss his vision for one of the world's busiest and most famous poker rooms.

How did you get started in poker? I had an early interest in poker back in Ohio. In 2005, the poker boom was going gangbusters. **Adam Altweis**, who now runs the Aria poker room, was at the Bellagio and invited me to Vegas and offered me a job. He was a long-time friend of my father's. I walked in and started dealing the graveyard shift.



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Did you go to a dealers' school? No. I was a little bit green, but I had the right attitude and a love for the game. I had a lot of experience putting together games in my fraternity house in college. One time, I was called down from my room to make a decision in a game, because I was the guy who knew the rules. That was the actual start to my poker career. I dealt full time for about a year, and then worked as a floor supervisor, a shift supervisor and later joined the tournament staff. I worked on the administrative side of things, too, and, in the spring of 2011, I became operations manager of the poker room. I did that for about a year and left poker for a stint in marketing, before being named to my current position.

Did being away from poker for a year change your perspective? Yes, it did on a couple of levels. One, it reminded me of how much I enjoyed the community of poker. I missed it. The casino's a great business. I love working for the Bellagio; that's all amazing. The one thing poker has that other parts of the casino don't have is a big community, a big following. It has its own stories that come out of it. That's something I really enjoy. It has this niche market. I really love that aspect of it. The other thing is that working with the high-end gamblers and players here at the Bellagio really gave me a perspective on how we are treating our players. We had ways we would market to them, treat them, build our relationships with them so when they would come to Vegas to play their game, whatever it was, they would come here. That's a perspective I brought back to the poker room I may have missed originally.

Bellagio is known for catering to the high-end poker player. Its reputation among the low-end players is not the best. Are you going to change that? Yes, that's something we are working on, that we're really dedicated to. If I sat down and listed, "What are we doing

right, what are we doing wrong," the gold star goes to really catering to the high-end player. We're dedicated to the high-end player, we always have been and always will be. I think the one thing that's gotten missed is that all players need to experience that same level of service. That's the one thing we're looking at to make that available, because players have an opportunity in our room that they have nowhere else, other than here and Aria, that you have a high-limit game with the biggest stakes in the world, right next to a small-limit game. That's a great experience for the weekend player, the aspiring player, who wants to climb up the limits. There's an opportunity for that player to experience the same level of service from us that the high-limit player gets, and that's our goal.

How do you look at social media? That's one of our top initiatives right now. We need to get more involved in social media. That's on the two-month plan. We've started developing it.

How do you view your competition? Obviously there are some big poker names out there now and they've done well in different arenas. The World Series is a monster brand. It's a major sporting event and it's a great complement to our business. We've seen different rooms do well at different tiers, different players, they've gone after different markets. There's enough poker in town for everybody. As the industry grows, so will our business, and so will their business. The biggest challenge in my job is knowing everything that's going on in the industry. It's something that I have to have my pulse on at all times.



HPO: The first Hollywood Poker Open Championship took place at M Resort the last weekend in June. Spain's **Ana Marquez** took home the \$320K first-place prize over a field of 631, who had paid the \$2,500 entry fee or had won a smaller events at Penn National properties in the year. On the last hand, her pocket jacks held against **Ryan Tepen's** ace-king. Tepen, from Ohio, settled for \$198K.

ARIA/AVP: Aria will host the next All Vegas Poker tourney Sept. 15 at 1 p.m. (\$100, 20K chips, 30-minute levels). Players will be given a \$10 food comp and be eligible for cash bounties, high-hand bonuses, trophies and AVP swag. Everyone is welcome but the event is expected to sell out.

RIVIERA: After trying to rejuvenate its poker clientele for the past few years, the Riviera closed its poker room in June.

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Here's a recap of the final 38 events from this year's WSOP. If you'd like a look at the full results, scan the QR Code on the right with your smartphone. And be sure to go to anteupmagazine.com for all of the latest World Series news.



Event 25 • \$5K 0/8

Entries: 241 • **Pool:** \$1.1M
Arizona pro **Danny Fuhs** beat a final table that boasted four bracelet-winners to earn his first bracelet and \$277,519. He beat pro **Chris George** heads-up.



Event 26 • \$1K Seniors

Entries: 4,407 • **Pool:** \$3.9M
Ken Lind, after a 14-hour Day 3, won his first bracelet. Lind, a 68-year-old retiree and great-grandfather from Layton, Utah, earned \$634,809, and it was his first WSOP cash.



Event 27 • \$3K Mix-Max

Entries: 593 • **Pool:** \$1.6M
If his birthday is any indication, 26 is going to be a year to remember for **Isaac Hagerling**. He celebrated his birthday by winning his first bracelet and \$372,387.



Event 28 • \$1,500 NLHE

Entries: 2,115 • **Pool:** \$2.8M
Jason Duval, a 23-year-old student from Quebec, earned his first bracelet and \$521,202, becoming the record seventh winner from Canada this year.



Event 29 • \$5K HORSE

Entries: 261 • **Pool:** \$1.2M
Tom Schneider scooped the HORSE events, winning his fourth bracelet and second this summer, earning \$318,955. It's the 14th straight year someone has won twice in one WSOP.



Event 30 • \$1K NLHE

Entries: 2,108 • **Pool:** \$1.8M
Chris Dombrowski, 26, a former *Ante Up* columnist from Tampa, Fla., pocketed \$346,332 for his first career bracelet. He is well-known for his online poker success.



Event 31 • \$1,500 PLO/8

Entries: 936 • **Pool:** \$1.2M
Jarred Graham, a cash-game specialist from Australia, captured his first bracelet and \$255,942. **Joe Hachem**, the 2005 main event champ, railed his friend.



Event 32 • \$5K 6-Max

Entries: 516 • **Pool:** \$2.4M
Erick Lindgren outlasted a pro-heavy field to earn \$606,317. His WSOP resume boasts two bracelets, 36 cashes and more than \$3.4 million in career earnings.



Event 33 • \$2,500 Razz

Entries: 301 • **Pool:** \$684,775
Bryan Campanello, 21, has had a ton of WSOP-related success, and now he can add bracelet-winner to that list. He beat **David Bach** for the title and \$178,052.



Event 34 • \$1K NLHE

Entries: 1,629 • **Pool:** \$1.4M
It took **Michael Gathy** just two days to outlast the 1,629-player field in the WSOP's first-ever turbo event. Gathy earned \$278,613 and a bracelet.



Event 35 • \$3K PLO

Entries: 640 • **Pool:** \$1.7M
Jeff Madsen, the 2006 WSOP POY, won his third bracelet and \$384,420, continuing a trend of ex-POYs to win this year (**Daniel Negreanu**, **Schneider**, **Lindgren**).



Event 36 • \$1,500 SO

Entries: 1,194 • **Pool:** \$1.6M
Bulgarian-born **Simeon Naydenov** quickly made his way through the 10-handed final table, besting the field in about five hours for his first bracelet and \$326,440.



Event 37 • \$5K LHE

Entries: 170 • **Pool:** \$799K
Michael Moore waited three decades to win his first bracelet, earning \$211,743. Moore finished 10th in the 1995 WSOP main event.



Event 38 • \$2,500 4-Max

Entries: 566 • **Pool:** \$1.2M
Canadian **Justin Oliver** outlasted **Nick Schwarmann** to complete a huge comeback as the short stack. The 37-year-old jeweler earned \$309K and his first bracelet.



Event 39 • \$1,500 SO/8

Entries: 558 • **Pool:** \$753,300
Daniel Idema passed \$1M in career earnings with this win, good for \$184,590. Idema extended Canada's record for most wins (nine) for a non-U.S. country in a series.



Event 40 • \$1,500 NLHE

Entries: 1,194 • **Pool:** \$2.9M
Jared "Waco Kidd" Hamby, 31, turned his short stack into a comeback, earning \$525,272. Hamby is best known for his online success, and it's his first bracelet.



Event 41 • \$5K PLO

Entries: 400 • **Pool:** \$1.8M
Steve Gross, a 27-year-old pro from Marlboro, N.J., was 0-for-15 in WSOP events this summer before winning \$488,817 and his first bracelet in this six-max event.



Event 42 • \$1K NLHE

Entries: 2,100 • **Pool:** \$1.8M
Norbert Szecsi of Hungary picked up his country's fourth bracelet in history, winning \$345K. Supporters of the 22-year-old included October Niner **Andras Koroknai**.



Event 43 • \$10K NL 2-7

Entries: 87 • **Pool:** \$817,800
Jesse Martin edged a stacked final table and beat **David "Bakes" Baker** heads-up to win his first bracelet and \$253,524. Martin is a pro from Shrewsbury, Mass.



Event 44 • \$3K NLHE

Entries: 1,072 • **Pool:** \$2.9M
Sandeep Pulusani overcame a 7-to-1 chip disadvantage against **Niall Farrell** to win the title. The victory awarded the 24-year-old music blogger \$592,684.



Event 45 • \$1.5K Ante

Entries: 678 • **Pool:** \$915,300
Ben Volpe was on the losing end of a two-outer against **Paul Liu** heads-up, but the 26-year-old CPA from Chicago bested Liu to win \$201,399 and his first bracelet.



Event 46 • \$3K PLO/8

Entries: 435 • **Pool:** \$1.1M
Vladimir Shchmelev, 40, of Russia outlasted a stacked field to win his first bracelet and \$279,094. He beat two-time bracelet-winner **Mei Judah** (\$172K) heads-up.



Event 47 • \$111K NLHE

Entries: 166 • **Pool:** \$17.8M
Anthony Gregg, 26, of Columbia, Md., won the One Drop High Rollers charity tournament, collecting \$4.8M and his first bracelet. He beat **Chris Klodnicki** heads-up.



Event 48 • \$2.5K LHE

Entries: 343 • **Pool:** \$780,325
Marco Johnson had five cashes and more than \$200K in earnings this summer heading into this six-max event, then bested **Jeff Thompson** for the title.

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J.C. TRAN IS NOVEMBER NINE CHIPLEADER

Maybe it's kismet that **J.C. Tran** is leading the November Nine this year. After all, he has 44 career World Series of Poker cashes and this is the 44th annual WSOP, which attracted 6,352 players to this main event.

The 36-year-old pro from Sacramento, Calif., has two WSOP bracelets and a WSOPC ring among his \$1.8 million WSOP earnings.

He easily is the most decorated player remaining in this field and he will start with more than 8 million chips in front of his nearest competitor. Tran has earned more than \$8.3 million in his career and, with this final table, will surpass \$9 million.

The final nine players represent five countries (Canada,

France, Israel, Netherlands and the United States). The players will return to the Rio on Nov. 4 for the \$8.35 million first-place prize.

The remaining players, in order of stacks, are **Amir Lehavot** of Florida (29.7 million), **Marc McLaughlin** of Canada (26.5 million), **Jay Farber** of Las Vegas by way of Pennsylvania (25.9 million), **Ryan Riess** of Michigan (25.8 million), **Sylvain Loosli** of London (19.6 million), **Michiel Brummelhuis** of Amsterdam (11.2 million), **Marc Newhouse** of Los Angeles (7.3 million) and **David Benefield** of New York (6.3 million).

The total prize pool for the main event was a staggering \$59.7 million.



Event 49 • \$1,500 NLHE
Entries: 2,247 • Pool: \$3M
Barney Boatman beat **Brian O'Donoghue** to win his first bracelet and \$546,080. It came in his fourth WSOP final table, the first win for a Brit this summer.



Event 50 • \$2.5K Mix
Entries: 372 • Pool: \$846,300
Brandon Wong outlasted England's **Sebastian Saffari** to capture the prestigious 10-game-mix bracelet and \$220,061. Wong is a 38-year-old pro from Fresno.



Event 51 • \$1K Ladies
Entries: 954 • Pool: \$858,600
 Ontario's **Kristen Bicknell** collected the 10th bracelet for Canada this summer after winning the ladies championship in her first WSOP cash (\$173,922).



Event 52 • \$25K 6-Max
Entries: 175 • Pool: \$4.1M
Steve Sung won his second bracelet to give him almost \$2.7 million in WSOP earnings. In 2009, he bested an amateur-heavy 6,012-person field in a \$1K NLHE.



Event 53 • \$1,500 NLHE
Entries: 2,816 • Pool: \$3.8M
 Kansas pro **Brett Shaffer** won his first bracelet after nine years at the WSOP, pocketing \$665K and beating a field so large it took an extra day to complete the tournament.



Event 54 • \$1K NLHE
Entries: 2,883 • Pool: \$2.59M
Dana Castaneda became the first woman to win an open bracelet event since **Vanessa Selbst** did it last year, earning \$454,207. She beat **Jason Bigelow** (\$281,991).



Event 55 • \$50K PPC
Entries: 132 • Pool: \$6.3M
Matthew Ashton, 25, won the **Chip Reese** trophy (and \$1.7M) after a grueling, 10-hour final table. The victory marks his first bracelet.



Event 56 • \$2.5K NLHE
Entries: 1,736 • Pool: \$3.9M
Nikolaus Teichert and **Vincent Maglio** needed an extra day to settle their heads-up battle, and then Teichert won the bracelet and \$730,736. Maglio earned \$452K.



Event 57 • \$5K NLHE
Entries: 784 • Pool: \$3.6M
Matt Perrins won his second bracelet and \$792K. The U.K. pro, who held a commanding chip lead for much of the late stages of play, beat **Arthur Pro** heads-up.



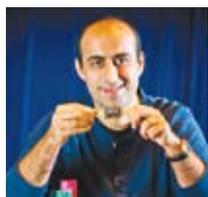
Event 58 • \$1,111 NLHE
Entries: 4,756 • Pool: \$4.2M
 California's **Brian Yoon**, 23, won his first bracelet and \$663,727, facing **Cuong Nguyen** of Houston for the title. Nguyen earned \$408,264 in the charity event.



Event 59 • \$2.5K 2-7 TD
Entries: 282 • Pool: \$641,550
 Popular pro **Eli Elezra**, cocktail in hand, outlasted **Daniel Negreanu** to earn his second bracelet and \$173,236. Negreanu held the lead in much of the finale.



Event 60 • \$1.5K NLHE
Entries: 2,541 • Pool: \$3.4M
Loni Harwood, the 23-year-old New Yorker, made three WSOP final tables this summer, and finally won her bracelet, a feat unmatched by a female player.



Event 61 • \$10K PLO
Entries: 386 • Pool: \$3.6M
Daniel Alaei won his fourth bracelet in the same event he won in 2010, sending him past the \$3.5 million mark in WSOP career earnings.

World Series: By the Numbers

- Total Entries: 79,471
- Total Prize Pool: \$197,041,468
- Total Cashers: 8,454
- Main Event Entries: 6,352
- ME Prize Pool: \$59,708,800
- Largest 1st Prize: \$8,359,531
- Average 1st Prize: \$628,722
- Average Age: 37.60
- Average Age of Casher: 36.44
- Average Age (Final Table): 34.07
- Male Participation: 94.9%
- Female Participation: 5.1%
- Male Money Won: \$136,941,036
- Female Money Won: \$3,423,282
- Male Cashes: 7,462 (10.75%)
- Female Cashes: 343 (9.21%)
- # of Countries Represented: 107
- # of U.S. States Represented: 50
- The WSOP broke a bunch of records this year, including biggest single-day attendance (6,343, Event 6), largest seniors event (4,407), most events with \$1M-plus for first place (five) and *Ante Up* 2009 WSOP POY Tony Cousineau extended his record for most cashes sans bracelet (57).



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The series offers a variety of NLHE events, including bounty, "ultra" (where the surviving 10 percent of the field is paid a percentage of the prize pool), deepstack, "no juice" and turbo events, as well as a pot-limit Omaha tournament. The main event (\$2,500 buy-in, \$2.5 million guarantee) begins Aug. 29 and runs until Sept. 2. Satellites have been running since June 14. Please see the ad on the facing page.

DOWNSTREAM CASINO RESORT: The poker room hosts the Mid-States Poker Tour on Aug. 31-Sept. 8. The event will culminate in a \$200K guarantee main event, featuring a \$460 buy-in with unlimited re-entries through Level 8. The main event will be a "Keep It or Cash It" event featuring multiple starting days and offering players an option to keep their additional chips if they advance to Day 2 more than once or add them to the stack they finished with when advancing to Day 2 the first time.

HARD ROCK TULSA: The Poker Showdown is Aug. 8-18. The series features \$100K in guarantees. Except for a \$230 pot-limit Omaha re-entry event, the series consists of all NLHE tournaments. Jack and Jill, ante only, deepstack, "Chop It,"

bounty, and six-handed events are among the variants scheduled. There will be many morning \$60 tournaments and afternoon mega-satellites for as little as \$45. Events leading up to the \$1,090 main event offer buy-ins from \$130 to \$550.

GRAND CASINO: The casino hosts the MDA Celebrity Poker Tournament in its event center Aug. 10. Capped at 250 entrants, the \$120 event has unlimited rebuys through the first hour. Players can rebuy any time their stack is less than 4K.

CHEROKEE CASINO: The West Siloam Springs poker room's Blast to the Past runs Aug. 16-25. The events on Aug. 23-24 offer \$65K in guarantees. The casino's 140-bed hotel offers a \$10 per night discount to poker players during the series.

INDIGO SKY CASINO: The Heartland Poker Tour is scheduled to return Oct. 10-21, with a \$1,650 main event.

HOLLYWOOD CASINO: The Kansas Speedway room continues to run Monday \$65 events, and \$160 deepstack tournaments on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Also, the bad-beat jackpot was more than \$284K at press time.

KANSAS STAR CASINO: The Tuesday night \$85 tournament pays a set seven places (call for details). The popular Thursday night "Cash & Splash" promotion and the \$6,800 monthly freeroll (60-hour qualifier) is still running. The first 90 qualified players from July will compete Aug. 4.

— Email Robert Kelly at anteuprob@gmail.com.



BEAU'S GCPC TO BE BIGGER, BETTER THAN EVER

Now that the World Series of Poker is over, it's time to make our way back South for the beginning of our poker season. By the time this column hits the stands, we'll be into the main event of the World Poker Open at Gold Strike in Tunica. No worries, though, if you've missed out, because August and September offer plenty of opportunities.



JENNIFER GAY
MISSISSIPPI

In the southern end of the state at the Beau Rivage, join us for the Gulf Coast Poker Championship (Aug. 22-Sept. 2). This event was expected to be the biggest of the year in

2012 for the Mississippi tournament circuit.

Unfortunately, Hurricane Isaac had other plans, grinding everything to a halt and forcing the casinos to close and evacuate just three days into the schedule. This year will be bigger and better.

Tournament director **Eric Comer** and poker room manager **Johnny Grooms** have put together the absolute best structures combined with affordable buy-ins, sure to draw tourists and regular grinders. Event 1 kicks off Aug. 23 with a \$340 buy-in and a 200K guarantee. There will be the usual daily no-limit lineups at noon, tons of 5 p.m. mega satellites and nightly (7 p.m.) \$100 tournaments with a leaderboard offering a main-event entry to the top finisher.

The \$1,580 main event kicks off Aug. 30, and is expected to pull in record numbers. Special hotel rates are available, but are expected to fill up quickly so book well in advance. You can find more information at beaupoker.com.

Once you make your hotel arrangements for the GCPC, plan to stick around after the main event and head over to the IP casino just across the bridge for the second WSOPC stop of the year. Beginning Sept. 5 and running through the 16th, this event is run by Poker Tournament Consultants, with tournament director **Bill Bruce**. I'll have more information next issue about the event lineup, but you can count on the standard \$365 ring events, plenty of single-table satellite action and a massive main-event prize pool.

This event falls so early in the WSOPC lineup that the fields usually are relatively small. This is probably the best opportunity of the year to snap off a ring against smaller fields and less competitive table draws. Not to say the IP won't draw a familiar face or two. The usual regional players are certain to show up, vying for points in an attempt to lock up seats for the national freeroll at season's end.

I plan to be at both events, as the beginning of fall poker in Mississippi is my favorite time of year.

— Jennifer Gay is Ante Up's Mississippi Ambassador. She can be contacted at [facebook.com/aceofjewels](https://www.facebook.com/aceofjewels) or at jennifergay80@hotmail.com.

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ASHBEY KEEPING THE GAME IN PERSPECTIVE

Andrew Ashbey of Lafayette, La., formerly played poker for a living through college and for a short time after he graduated. Normally a cash-game regular, Ashbey has earned more than \$100K in tournaments throughout the gulf coast states. I recently had a chance to chat with him, and you can catch his blog at holdonetime.blogspot.com.



MATT STROUD
LOUISIANA

You no longer play regularly. Why the change and what do you do now? It was never something I wanted to do for a long period of time; it just ended up that way. But it allowed me to have the freedom to do whatever I wanted and not answer to anyone. Once I was able to get a job that paid enough money to justify not playing poker as much anymore, I chose that option. I wasn't always a fan of the poker lifestyle and the effects it had on me as a person.

How often do you play now and where? I'll play cash every now and then at L'Auberge Du Lac in Lake Charles, La., or around Lafayette, La. I try to play all the circuit main events around the gulf coast; I really like the structure of those tourneys and the prize pools are large enough.

When we'd be in Vegas during the WSOP each summer, I'd mainly play at the Venetian every day. The game there is always really good plus they have the most comfortable chairs and the best quesadillas ever.

What was your most memorable tournament experience? The \$550 WPT prelim event I won at the Beau Rivage back in '07 for \$87,511. I had only been 21 for a few months and we decided to go for a week or so. I had run extremely bad over the course of that week. The morning of the tournament, I had decided to leave Biloxi, and a friend convinced me to stay at the last minute, which turned out to be great advice.

Who are the your closest poker friends? Tim "Ragin' Cajun" Hebert and I came up at the same time, but he was always slightly ahead of all the other young players talent-wise, myself included. We would play at bars and cardrooms all over Lafayette. ... When I finally turned 21, I started going on the road with him. He was my first poker friend that I would actually discuss hands and strategy with. I actually met (Jonathon) Poche through Tim back in 2007 and he became one of my good friends as well and is the only other person I really discussed poker with.

What do you like most about blogging about your poker experiences? I actually like blogging about going out, having fun, meeting people in Vegas, etc., a lot more than talking actual poker. Blogging about cash games every day is boring . . . I don't really enjoy it too much outside of Vegas.

— **Matt Stroud is Ante Up's Louisiana Ambassador. Email him at matt.anteup@gmail.com. Follow him on Twitter @acadianapkrplyr and visit facebook.com/acadianapokerplayers.**



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Fri	8/9	5pm	3	\$365 Omaha 8 or Better* \$30,000 Guaranteed	\$310 / \$55	10,000	30/40/50/60 min
Sat	8/10	11am	4	\$365 NLH (Ring Event) *	\$310 / \$55	10,000	30/40/50/60 min
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Sun	8/11	5pm	5B				
Mon	8/12	11am	6	\$365 NLH (Ring Event) *	\$310 / \$55	10,000	30/40/50/60 min
Tue	8/13	11am	7	\$580 Six Max NLH (Ring Event) * \$40,000 Guaranteed	\$520 / \$60	12,000	30/40/50/60 min
Wed	8/14	11am	8	\$365 NLH (Ring Event) *	\$310 / \$55	10,000	30/40/50/60 min
Thu	8/15	11am	9	\$580 NLH (Ring Event) * \$75,000 Guaranteed	\$520 / \$60	12,000	30/40/50/60 min
Fri	8/16	11am		\$250 Seniors Event	\$210 / \$40	10,000	30 min
Sat	8/17	11am	10A	\$1,675 NLH Main Event * Re-Entry \$500,000 Guaranteed	\$1,550 / \$125	20,000	40/60/75 min
Sat	8/17	5pm	10B				
Sun	8/18	Noon	Day 2	\$1,675 NLH Main Event			
Sun	8/18	11am	11	\$365 NLH (Ring Event) *	\$310 / \$55	10,000	30/40/50/60 min
Mon	8/19	Noon	Day 3	\$1,675 NLH Main Event			
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**PATRICK
GALLAGHER
NORTHEAST**

The stop, which sports a million dollars in guarantees, kicks off with the usual \$365 no-limit hold'em ring event, and includes Omaha/8, a seniors event, a six-max and daily deepstack tournaments and main-event satellites. Also, \$580 buy-in events with healthy guarantees have been added for this prestigious event.

Complete tournament details are available on foxwoods.com, including information on hotel room discounts, and the circuit schedule can be found in the ad on this page.

MEGA STACK: The \$1,200 main event of June's Spring into Summer Mega Madness series at Foxwoods ended in a three-way chop, with **Peter Giannitti** of Wethersfield, Conn., earning \$43,729 and the trophy for the title. The main event attracted 228 entrants for a \$241,064 prize pool.



Michael Orgettas of Salem, Mass., was runner-up (\$34K) while **Jeff Giordano** of St. James, N.Y., finished third for \$32K. Full results can be found at foxwoods.com.

MOHEGAN SUN: Depending on when you see this issue, there may still be time for you to enter the Mohegan Sun's \$235K Summer Showdown series, which returns until Aug. 4, complete with a \$100K guarantee \$1,100 main event.

The Showdown includes seven featured NLHE events, with buy-ins ranging from \$300 to \$550. Step 1 (\$75) and Step 2 (\$260) satellites to the main event begin July 31. Registrations can be made online at pokertickets.com.

EASTERN POKER TOUR: **Emilio Tulipano** (Attleboro, Mass.), **Oswald Garlington** (Providence), **Ken Sinkiewicz** (South Boston) and **Michael Stracco** (Hanover, Mass.) made their way through a field of more than 200 players to win a WSOP main-event seat. The \$400 satellite doubled in size from last year, with players coming from all over New England to play the deepstack event. Stay tuned to this column to hear from the lucky winners and their experiences at the WSOP.

SENECA NIAGARA: With daily cash giveaways and a slate of terrific low buy-in tournaments, Seneca's poker room turned up the heat and excitement in late July. The Summer Slam, which runs July 30-Aug. 4, will feature a \$600 deepstack main event on Aug. 3, with scheduled \$66 multitable qualifiers, as well as \$200 and \$300 deepstack tournaments. All tournaments are re-entry with full stacks.

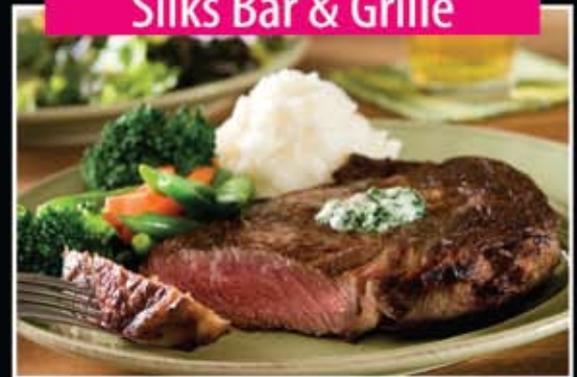
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GAMING CONTINUES TO GROW IN PHILLY

The gaming competition is growing stronger every year in Philadelphia and it's no surprise there are some fierce applicants in line for the last gaming license. With several popular casinos in the area, the city region is generating most of Pennsylvania's entire gaming revenue, which has been larger than Atlantic City this past year.



JO KIM
A.C./PHILLY

With SugarHouse Casino doubling the size of the casino and Philadelphia debating on gaining an entirely new one, the revenue is bound for another increase. Not to mention, Philadelphia is 15 miles from Parx and Harrah's, two of Pennsylvania's top revenue locations.

It's no wonder why there's such high competition for the right to obtain Philadelphia's last casino license. Six groups and partnerships, including Wynn Resorts Ltd. and Penn National Gaming, have applied with state gaming regulators for license ownership.

Two of the proposals have laid out casino blueprints in the Philadelphia's Center City area. The rest of the proposals are in the Philadelphia proximity. Upon establishing gambling in Pennsylvania, the state gaming revenue took a dramatic increase since its first casino in 2006. It took 11 casinos and nearly a decade until it finally topped Atlantic City's \$3.05 billion gaming revenue by a close \$3.16 billion in 2012. Pennsylvania is ranked second of 22 in revenue after Las Vegas.

Money flow is also as strong as ever in poker rooms of the Philadelphia region. Harrah's recently hit its bad beat of \$308K at a \$1-\$2 no-limit hold'em table in June. **Anthony Cuffari**, who had the winning hand, was once a poker dealer at Harrah's who vouched to "come back and hit the bad beat." The hand played itself out with a bottom and top straight flush to the queen.

It's the third bad-beat jackpot of the year for Harrah's, and the action in Philadelphia is steadily increasing at the cash tables in the area.

"I love the \$1-\$2 NLHE action at Harrah's Philadelphia," Cuffari said. "Great people, great floors, and their deep \$1-\$2 NLHE games."

There are recent rumors of Parx starting a bad-beat jackpot this year, possibly in the early fall.

In Atlantic City, PokerStars is making its return to the Boardwalk after recently partnering with Resorts in early July. The transaction was made only days after the court denied PokerStars' appeal on pending negotiations with Atlantic Club Casino. The online company has had issues in obtaining a New Jersey casino license after investing \$11 million in Atlantic Club, but Rational Group CEO **Mark Scheinberg** did not address the matter in his statement.

With online gambling legal in Atlantic City, casinos are acquiring online companies for its contingent customers. Borgata has partnered with Bwin; Caesars Entertainment is lining up with 888 Holdings, and Trump Taj recently teamed with Ultimate Gaming. Resorts is the latest casino to announce their partnership to PokerStars. See the Nothing? But 'Net column on Page 39 for more details.

— **Jo Kim is Ante Up's Atlantic City/Philadelphia Ambassador You can email her at anteupjokim@gmail.com.**



Without Gullo, poker might not be in Chicago

Not many people know the history of Chicagoland poker, and even fewer know **Nick Gullo's** passion for poker was what transformed Chicagoland into one of the largest markets in the country.



JOE GIERTUGA
CHICAGOLAND

As vice president of gaming at the Showboat in East Chicago, **Gullo** had a poker room in the plans during construction. In a meeting with the state's gaming board, the question came up whether poker was regulated. Gullo, being knowledgeable of state regulations, loaded a poker table with supplies on a truck, brought it to the state capital and demonstrated how poker would be played.

The Showboat's five-table poker room opened in April 1997, the busy room doubled in size by August and was the state's busiest until 2008. In 2006, Gullo wrote the *Guide to Operating a Professional Poker Room*. Now at 71, he's still active running tournaments in Las Vegas.



MAJESTIC STAR: Jerry Schweitzer, a 63-year-old pro from Indiana, topped 76 players to win the Summer Daze Deep Stack Main Event and \$7K.

HARRAH'S: The poker room reduced its rake to \$5 max on all games. "This was welcome news," regular **Dick Carlson** said. "With the lowest rake in this part of the state, players will keep coming back."

HORSESHOE: Aug. 8 will mark five years since the poker room opened, and in honor of that it will host a \$350K guarantee five-year anniversary tournament Aug. 15-18. It will have three Day 1s with a \$555 buy-in. Ten WSOPC main-event seats will be added to the final table, also 55 seats will be given away through different poker room promotions. ... **Steven Nicholson** won the Saturday of the month event and \$21K.

— **"Chicago" Joe Giertuga is Ante Up's Chicagoland Ambassador. Email him at chicago.joe@comcast.net.**

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BASEBALL LEGENDS HEADED TO MYSTIQUE

In the last issue of *Ante Up*, I mentioned something was brewing at Mystique Greyhound Park and Casino. Here are the specifics: As most locals know, *Field of Dreams* was filmed in Dubuque County. This movie site has been preserved over the years, but has recently changed hands and the ownership now belongs to Go the Distance LLC.



KEN WARREN
IOWA

Development of this site into a baseball mega-complex is in the works and to get this going there is a softball game featuring several well-known MLB players on Sept. 14. While this is subject to change, here's the list: **Reggie**

Jackson, Pete Rose, Jim Rice, Johnny Bench, Wade Boggs, Frank Thomas, Jim Palmer, Rod Carew, Bruce Sutter, Carlton Fisk, Ozzie Smith and Dwight Gooden.

Once the softball game ends, five of the players will head to Mystique for a no-limit hold'em tournament called Team of Dreams. There will be one baseball great at each table and if they get knocked out, the player knocking out the legend will get the shirt (autographed) off his back. What a keepsake for baseball fans. See the ad on Page 40 for details.

You must act quickly, however, as the seating is limited to 50 players. The buy-in is \$1,100 and first place will win more than \$20K to go along with the great memories and maybe a signed jersey. Nine places will share in the prize money.

GRAND FALLS: The Mid-States Poker Tour visits Grand Falls Casino Resort in Larchwood, near Sioux Falls, S.D., on Aug 8-18. There will be a \$100K guarantee for this event. The buy-in for the main event is \$1,110 and there are satellites running if you want to get in cheaply.

HORSESHOE: The Horseshoe Casino in Council Bluffs will hold its Horseshoe Poker Classic on Aug. 20-26, and I will be in attendance for some of these great events. The buy-in runs from \$150 for the lesser events to \$1K for the main event and there are cheaper satellites as well. (See ad on Page 4.)

While most of the events are NLHE, as you would expect, there is a \$200 Omaha/8 tournament Aug. 23 at 10 a.m. In addition to these great tournaments, there's always great cash-game action around the Horseshoe events so come join me at this great location and share in the excitement.

RIVERSIDE: I recently stopped at Riverside Resort and Casino (south of Iowa City) to play some poker. This is a nice room with bigger tournaments. It has good draw from Iowa City and Cedar Rapids as well as smaller surrounding communities. If you haven't been by this poker room in a while, I would recommend a visit. See the ad below for the Fallout Championship.

The cardroom's Facebook page is active with the latest announcements and results.

— Ken Warren is *Ante Up's* Iowa Ambassador. You can email him at anteupken@gmail.com.

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MARYLAND LIVE CASINO CARDROOM OPENS AUG. 28

Maryland Live Casino launches live poker on Aug. 28 (pending regulatory approval). A new, 14,800-square-foot poker room is under construction at the facility and promises to be one of the largest in the mid-Atlantic region, with 52 tables, varied limits, high-profile partnerships and tournaments.



MICHAEL YOUNG
MID-ATLANTIC

“Game limits and spreads are still pending approval, but we are planning to offer a full array of games to accommodate every level of player from the casual player to big games,” director of poker **Mike Smith** said. “We will offer a comfortable, well-managed, state-of-the-art poker room with a terrific staff and a variety of games and limits to please everyone.”

DOVER DOWNS: The Royal Crown poker room will host the Delaware Poker Championship III on Sept. 7. This has a \$100K guarantee (twice that of last year’s tournament; see ad on this page). Sept. 1-2 will be super satellites with a \$35 buy-in where one in five will win seats into the multitable satellite on Sept. 5, where one in five will win entry into the championship.

CHARITY TOURNAMENTS: At this time of the year, Maryland charity events are usually about two-thirds of the normal size, but there’s still a lot of poker to be played. A list of most of the tournaments can be found at somed.com/calendar/index.cgi.

One of the interesting events is Aug. 16 at Indian Head VFD, 4095 Indian Head Hwy, Indian Head, Md. In this event, you choose your starting stack: \$50 for 5K chips; \$75 for 10K; \$100 for 15K; \$125 for 20K and \$150 for \$25K.

— **Michael Young is the Ante Up Ambassador for the Mid-Atlantic area.**
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Wisconsinites thrive at the WSOP

The 2013 World Series of Poker kicked off with a bang when players from Wisconsin won the first two events.



CHAD HOLLOWAY
WISCONSIN

Yours truly managed to top nearly 900 players to win \$84,915 in the opening \$500 Casino Employees event. A couple of days later, **Trevor Pope** of New Berlin captured Event 2 (\$5K NLHE, eight-handed) for \$553,906.

Other Wisconsinites who found success were **Joe Kuether**, a pro originally from Elm Grove, who finished 10th in Event 6 (\$1,500, \$82,205); Brookfield’s **Amit Makhija**, who took fourth in Event 7 (\$1K NLHE, \$94,353); and **Eddie Blumenthal** from Stoughton, who made two final tables (Event 15, \$1,500 H.O.R.S.E. and Event 22, \$1,500 pot-limit Omaha) in a five-day span and finished seventh in both, earning \$28,778 and \$33,057, respectively.

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PROMOTIONS ARE MAKING THEIR WAY TO OHIO

Now that the dust has settled with establishing casinos in Ohio, the good ol' player promotions are starting to show up, so here are the high points.



DAN HARKENRIDER
OHIO

CINCINNATI: The Horseshoe offers daily events, and World Series of Poker Circuit seats are added to every one, with buy-ins starting at \$110.

CLEVELAND: Horseshoe's new poker room manager **Karen Kaegin** and assistant manager **Martin Wendel** are bringing many new cash-game promotions, increased comps (\$1 per hour) and new tournaments. It has introduced a \$2-\$5-\$10 no-cap game.

COLUMBUS: Hollywood Casino's tournament schedule has the widest selection of buy-ins, times and play in the state, includ-

ing Ohio's first guaranteed prize pools.

TOLEDO: Hollywood Casino offers the state's largest selection of tournaments for less than \$100. There's a full slate of twice-a-day action for grinders looking to build a bankroll.

CHARITY: A tournament benefiting cancer research and featuring several former Ohio State football and basketball stars will be Aug. 25 at the Blackwell on the Ohio State campus.

The event has a \$150 suggested buy-in, with optional high-hand and bounty jackpots available, with a lunch buffet included. Tournament starts at 10:30 a.m. Players get 6K units, and get 1K more by registering before Aug. 24.

Visit cardstocurecancer.com for more details.

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WEST PA./WEST VA.

Pittsburgh Open is Aug. 8

Rivers Casino in Western Pennsylvania will host its Pittsburgh Poker Open on Aug. 8-19. The \$100K guarantee tournament series is getting a lot of buzz in the area as players are preparing to play multiple events. There will be 29 events on the schedule, including a \$1,100 buy-in main event with a \$60K guarantee. There will be satellites on Aug. 16 for this event. Here's a look at the schedule, and all events are no-limit hold'em except where noted:



MIKE OWENS
W. PA./W. VA.

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* There are four \$100 main-event re-entry satellites at 9 a.m. 1 p.m., 5 p.m. and 9 p.m.

NEW MANAGERS: Rivers Casino has named **Jim Tinney** as its new poker room manager. Also, the Meadows has made a change, too, as **Jim Farone** has taken the reigns for its poker room. Be sure to read future issues of *Ante Up* for profiles on these two managers.

PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS: The Erie, Pa., poker room's bad-beat jackpot was \$147K at press time.

— **Email at Mike Owens at anteupowens@gmail.com. Follow him on Twitter @Holdemag and check out his blog at CheckRaze.com.**



MINNESOTA

Local players made their mark at the World Series

June was fantastic month for Minnesotans playing at the World Series of Poker with a constant stream of cashes and several final tables.



JOHN SOMSKY
MINNESOTA

David Gonja of White Bear Lake made the first final-table appearance, coming on June 6 in Event 11 (\$2,500 no-

limit hold'em six-max) when he finished sixth in a field of 924 runners for \$57,282.

Two days later Ante Up Poker Tour Midwest Championship winner **Blake**



Bohn of Burnsville finished second of 1,819 for \$281,049 in Event 14 (\$1,500 NLHE). And just two days after that as **Everett Carlton** of St. Paul made the final table of Event 17 (\$1,500 NLHE) Bohn tweeted, "Really hoping my good friend Everett can 'one up me.' He has been so good for so long!"

Carlton finished third for \$224,455, continuing his streak of cashing in every



WSOP since 2005. A little more than a week later WSOPC champ **Mike Pickett** of Minneapolis finished eighth of 2,108 for \$33,191 in Event 30 (\$1K NLHE).

Bohn closed the month by finishing 16th in Event 47 (\$111,111 One Drop High Rollers) for \$208,968.

Minnesota players had more than 50 WSOP cashes in June showing that Minnesota is becoming a poker powerhouse.

— **Email Minnesota Ambassador John Somsky at john.somsky@gmail.com.**



PROS SPEAK OUT REGARDING ONLINE PLAY

In the last issue of *Ante Up*, I mentioned the **Peter King**, R-N.Y., online gaming bill he introduced. Recently, **Joe Barton**, R-Texas, introduced a newer version of the bill (Internet Poker Freedom Act) he tried to get through Congress last year, which allows states to opt out by having the governor send a letter stating it does not want to be included in the law. In a recent interview, Barton said he believed the question was not if, but when his bill would be passed. He's optimistic the time is now for legislation to be passed on the federal level. Sen. **Harry Reid** of Nevada is working on another bill.



JOEL GATLIN
ONLINE POKER

I was in Las Vegas for the World Series of Poker and interviewed **Erik Seidel** and **Greg Raymer**. I asked them for their thoughts on Nevada legalizing online gaming and on a federal online poker bill that would allow the game to be legal in America. Seidel is not known for playing online and is pretty much a live cash-game and tournament player. When I asked him for his opinion on the recent Nevada law, he said he hasn't bothered to get online because he mostly plays games other than no-limit hold'em, which is all that's offered by Ultimate Poker. But he did not rule out the possibility of playing online in the future, should more games be introduced and more players get online.

Raymer, who is never at a loss for words, was more than happy to discuss the issue of getting King's bill passed as soon as possible. Raymer works closely with **Rich Muny**, the vice president of player relations of the Poker Players Alliance, and spoke to me at length about the PPA efforts being put together

and sponsored at the federal and state levels. Raymer said any poker player serious about getting online poker back in the United States and wants to take action, needs to sign up for the PPA's daily action plan email initiative. This initiative sends daily emails on how anyone can spend just a few minutes a day contacting elected representatives to ask them to take action for online poker. The emails even provide the content to send. All that is required is a willing person to send it to their individual state and federal politicians. Anyone interested in this can go to the theppa.org/takeaction.

NEW JERSEY: As you read in my last column, Ultimate Poker was the first company to operate regulated online poker in Nevada. It recently struck a deal with Trump Taj Mahal Associates in Atlantic City. This will allow the company to run games online in New Jersey, just like it does in Nevada, once the regulatory approvals are done. Ultimate Poker is starting to make a big splash in the online world and could be on its way to setting the standard on how to navigate U.S. state online legislative laws.

The deal between PokerStars and the Atlantic Club Casino is dead, but on July 3, the Rational Group announced a new venture with the Resorts Casino Hotel to bring online gaming to the state. It didn't take long for the owners of PokerStars to get back into the action in Atlantic City. Resorts Casino Hotel is under the management of the Mohegan Group, which also has the Mohegan Sun Casino in Connecticut. Just like Ultimate Poker, PokerStars will be operating in the state as soon as it can get through all of the regulatory red tape.

— Email Joel Gatlin at editor@anteupmagazine.com.

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BE HONEST, OBJECTIVE, BUT NOT SCARED

If you read my column regularly, you likely know my motto is **Decide to Win!** I'm a believer that having the proper mindset and expecting to win is what separates the decent players from the bad ones and the elite from the pretty good ones. I've just wrapped up my annual trip to Las Vegas for the World Series of Poker and while I didn't have stellar results, I couldn't be more pleased with my effort to win. I had four small cashes, three in WSOP bracelet events and one in the Rio's daily deepstack. I busted one bracelet event with about 10 minutes to go in the first night and twice I busted bracelet events on the last hand of the night.



LEE
CHILDS

In my coaching and in my approach to playing these tournaments, I stress the importance of bagging chips and getting to the next day, especially when you have a decent stack and may be close to the money. There's no need to take unnecessary risks, as you will be able to get some rest and get a fresh start in the morning. Two hands I busted on, I probably would've backed down in the past.

Sometimes there is merit to at least getting in the money for your confidence or if you need to recoup your money. This summer was not about that, and as a pro, or one that wants

to truly compete to win, you have to be able to not back down from profitable situations. The thing you have to be most honest and objective about with yourself is whether the plays you make are correct and in your best interest of winning. I've given a lot of thought to the tournaments I played this summer and know without a doubt I was playing to win. This is the only way to play the game.

If you're playing to get into the money or just make Day 2, then you're likely playing outside of your bankroll and comfort zone or playing tournaments just for some kind of self-gratification or ego boost. I want to encourage all of you to not do this. The real money in any given tournament is in the top few spots and to get there, you have to play to win! If that means busting on the bubble, at the end of the day or even in the first level of the tournament, then that's a risk you have to be willing to take. We're likely going to bust every tournament we play. The best players in the world will cash only about 15 percent of the time. But, when they get there, they are going to cash big.

Be honest with yourself. Be objective about your play. Don't play scared poker. **Decide to Win!**

— **Lee Childs is the founder and lead instructor at Inside the Minds. For information about his group training sessions and personal coaching, visit inside-the-minds.com.**

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THERE'S GREAT VALUE IN 2ND PAIR, CONNECTORS

While playing \$2-\$5 cash games at the World Series of Poker this year, I had J♥-10♥ on the button. Two players folded, one limped and then the next player raised to \$20. The pot was \$32 and the action was on me.



ANTONIO PINZARI

I love suited connectors and I have position for the remainder of the hand. I called and the blinds and limper folded. The pot was \$52.

The flop was Q♥-10♠-8♣. Understanding the value of hitting a piece of the flop and having position, I also understand the value of what the potential of having this hand could be.

If the turn card is a heart I have a flush draw (nine more outs to improve my hand). There are two more 10s, and three nines for a queen-high straight. That means 14 cards out of 30 have tremendous potential for improvement; plus I still have second pair. I also have a heads-up situation with a player who raised preflop and apparently likes his hand.

The turn was the 4♥. The preflop raiser bet \$50, making the pot \$102.

This was where I had several decisions to make. I could call with second pair and a flush and inside-straight draw or I could

raise to try to take down the pot, or lastly I could fold.

I decided to raise \$200, making the pot \$302 and making the other player have to call \$150 to play for \$302, which is 2.3-to-1 on his money. I never want a player to get good odds to make a call to beat me. Also, if I get raised I can re-evaluate my play. The player called and the pot was \$452.

What great action for heads-up play! And I felt I was drawing to a nut hand if any of my outs hit.

The river was the A♥. What a great card! If my opponent had an ace he would've improved and I could maybe get a bet from him, which will induce a call when I raise.

He checked and I bet \$50, which he called. I turned over the flush and he mucked.

With second pair on the flop and an inside-straight draw after the flop, I always try to use my imagination looking forward to the turn card that can give me more outs to improve my hand.

There's great value in second pair with suited connectors. — Antonio Pinzari has been playing professionally since the '70s. He's the creator of 23 Poker and Wild Tallahassee Poker, which you can learn more about at WildTallahasseePoker.com.

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DAVID APOSTOLICO

I'd like to offer another more productive way to look at a tournament. Say you enter a 100-person tournament. Only one person will win. So, all things being equal you have a 1 percent chance of winning. Let's look at reality, however. Of those 100 entries, maybe half or 50 have no chance of winning because they'll make too many mistakes. So, now you have a 2 percent chance of winning. But, let's say you're a well-above-average player. Enough so that it increases your chances to 5 percent. Sounds like you will have to get a lot of those "needs" from above to win. In hindsight, it will often appear the player who got the most "needs" did, in fact, win.

I want you to take a different angle next time you play. Every time you play in a tournament, no matter what your draw or the hands you receive, there's some combination of moves you can make that will ultimately make you a winner. Everyone has that potential. It may be folding the best hand when you will

get sucked out on. It may be playing a gutshot because it will come in. Of course, those kinds of moves aren't sound poker. And it's virtually impossible to know the results of every hand ahead of time or even what opponents hold every hand. However, it's about developing the right mind-set. If you feel your moves ultimately guide your outcome more than any other factor, your results will start to improve.

You're not going to win every tournament. However, you give yourself the best chance, when you take control of your destiny.

Rather than blame the cards or your seat assignment, next time think about what you could have done better. How could you have had used position better? Did you attack weakness? Did you use chips as leverage when you still had fold equity? Did you win enough uncontested pots? Did you maximize value with your strong hands? Did you not squander chips? Did you study and manipulate your opponents? Did you control to maximum efficiency the one variable over which you have absolute control - you? If you do all of these things, you won't win every time, but you will go deeper and give yourself more opportunities than ever before.

— **David Apostolico is the author of numerous poker books. His latest, You are the Variable: Play Your Best Poker, is available on Amazon Kindle for \$5.99. Contact him at thepokerwriter@aol.com.**

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Where to play

A look at some featured events around the country. The following pages also highlight daily events and promotions.

East

*** WSOPC FOXWOODS:** Just as the World Series of Poker draws to a close, the WSOP Circuit events start up again, returning to Mashantucket, Conn., Aug. 8-19. There will be the standard 12 ring events, including the \$1,675 main event.

DEEP STACK EXTRAVAGANZA: The Sands Casino in Bethlehem, Pa., hosts this series Aug. 16-26. There will be 10 events with buy-ins ranging from \$150 to \$1,500.

West

*** ARIZONA STATE POKER CHAMPIONSHIP:** This event (Aug. 9-13) promises to draw large fields again for its \$1,110 event. Last year saw 975 players and paid more than \$230K for first place.

*** LEGENDS OF POKER:** The World Poker Tour makes its first stop in the United States for Season XII at the Bicycle Casino in Bell Gardens, Calif. See the ad on Page 11 for the full schedule leading up to the \$3,700 televised main event.

Central

*** CPPT CHOCTAW:** There's still time to enter the \$1,600 main event at the Choctaw Casino in Durant, Okla., which starts Aug. 2. Lower buy-in events continue until Aug. 4.

TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS: This \$2,500 event is returns to Running Aces Harness

2013 Ante Up POY Standings

1. Jeffrey Fielder, Des Moines, IA	1,426
2. Baptiste Chavaillaz, Portland, OR	1,134
3. Kevin Eyster, Lafayette, LA	1,093
4. Jonathan Tamayo, Humble, TX	1,093
5. Kevin Saul, Warrenville, IL	1,047
6. Matthew Kirby, Bemidji, MN	1,008
7. Matthew Giannetti, Las Vegas	872
8. David Bell, Parkland, FL	854
9. Michael Linster, Island Park, N.Y.	851
10. John Valevich, Palm Coast, FL	839

Park in Columbus, Minn., Aug. 9-11. Running Aces has great structures and you'll get a great tournament for your money.

HPT MAJESTIC STAR: The Heartland Poker Tour stops in Gary, Ind., Aug. 9-18.

MSPT GRAND FALLS: The Mid-States Poker Tour stops near Sioux Falls, S.D., for a \$1,100 event. Grand Falls became an instant favorite among MSPT regulars after the first event, which drew 200-plus players.

TWIN CITIES OPEN: Canterbury Park in Shakopee, Minn., hosts this event Aug. 17-25. It features a \$1,100 buy-in with two Day 1 flights and several satellites and qualifiers available.

*** RIVER SERIES:** If you're looking for a few larger buy-in tournaments this series (Aug. 14-Sept. 1) at the WinStar World Casino in Thackerville, Okla., may be the ticket. It will consist of 10 events with buy-ins starting at \$340, but there will be

two \$1,100 events, a \$2,500 main event and a \$5,000 "No Juice" event.

MSPT FIREKEEPERS: The MSPT returns to the FireKeepers Casino in Battle Creek, Mich., for the second time this season (Aug. 17-25).

South

*** AAPT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP:** The Ante Up Poker Tour World Championship will be at the all-inclusive Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic from July 28 to Aug. 3. There will be 15 events with buy-ins ranging from \$125 to \$1,150.

*** HARD ROCK OPEN:** This series (Aug. 8-29) features a huge \$10 million guarantee for the \$5,300 championship event. This series will be at the Seminole Hard Rock Casino in Hollywood, Fla.

*** GULF COAST CHAMPIONSHIP:** This series (Aug. 22-Sept. 2) is at the Beau Rivage in Biloxi, Miss. It features a \$1,580 championship event with several satellites available.

*** CPPT BESTBET:** The CPPT stops at bestbet Jacksonville for this 14-event series starting Aug. 29. There will be eight \$240 events, four \$350 events, a \$570 and a \$1,500 main event.

*** Denotes the main event of this series/tournament qualifies for Ante Up Player of the Year consideration as the final 10 players earn POY points.**

ARIZONA

LOCATION	TOURNAMENTS/SPECIAL EVENTS	JACKPOTS/PROMOTIONS
CASINO ARIZONA AT TALKING STICK (480) 850-7777 • casinoaz.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$60, 11:15a); Tue.-Wed. (\$130, 7:15p); \$20K guar., last Sat. of month, (\$150, 11:15a); Arizona State Poker Championship, Aug. 9-13 (see ad Page 19).	Aces Cracked (daily, 2a-10a); get paid for royal flush.
CASINO DEL SOL (800) 344-9435 • casinodelsol.com	Call for schedule.	Splash pots (Mon.-Fri. & Sun.); high-hand giveaways (Mon.-Fri.).
DESERT DIAMOND (520) 342-1810 • ddcaz.com	Mon. (\$35, 9:30a) & \$500 added (\$35, 7p); Wed. \$500 added (\$35, 7p); Thurs. \$500 added (\$35, 9:30a).	Jackpots in hold'em and Omaha; Random Splash Pots (call for details).
FT. McDOWELL CASINO (480) 837-1424 • fortmcdowellcasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$30, noon); Mon. (\$50, 7p); Tue.-Thurs. (\$5 w/\$5 rebuys, 7p); Fri. KO (\$120, 7p); Sat. (\$5, noon), (\$5, 4p) and (\$50, 7p); Sun. (\$50, noon) & (\$30, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of 10s and Omaha is quad fours; Aces Cracked pays \$200.
HARRAH'S PHOENIX AK-CHIN (480) 802-5000 • harrahskachin.com	Tue. 0/8 (\$15 w/rb and add-on, 7:30p); Thurs. (\$10 w/rb & add-on, 7:30p); Fri. (\$40, 7:30); Sun. (\$50, 3p); Summer series (\$55), Mon. & Wed. (7:30p) & Sat. (12:30p).	Morning Start-Up; Aces and Faces Cracked; Baseball Splash Pots; Sun. Jackpot Madness drawings (8:30p); call for details.
VEE QUIVA CASINO (520) 796-7777 • wingilriver.com/vee-quivva	Sun.-Thurs. (\$30 w/\$20 rebuy, 11a); Wed. (\$10 w/rebuys, 7:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; royals pay \$500; Aces Cracked; Super 77 bad-beat jackpot starts at \$25K (quad sevens or better beaten).
WILD HORSE PASS HOTEL AND CASINO (800) 946-4452 • wingilriver.com/wild-horse-pass	Mon. & Thurs. (\$30, noon); Tue. & Wed. (\$50, 7:30p).	Aces Cracked pays \$100; splash pots (daily); royals pay \$200 (daily); Super 777 bad-beat jackpot starts at \$25K (quad 7s or better); Rolling Cash Fever; Money Wheel.

CALIFORNIA

101 CASINO (707) 795-6121 • the101casino.com/casino	Tue. & Thurs. (\$50, 7p); 1st Saturday of the month (\$295, 1p); 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month (\$115, 1p).	Mini bad-beat jackpot; super bad-beat jackpot; Omaha bad-beat jackpot; Aces Cracked (daily, mid-noon); high hands (noon-3p, 3p-6p, 6p-9p, 9p-mid.). High hands; Rack Attack; Quad Pay; call for details.
AGUA CALIENTE CASINO (888) 999-1995 • hotwatercasino.com	Tue. & Thurs.-Sat. (\$50, 10a); Sun. (\$60, 10a).	
ARTICHOKE JOE'S (650) 589-3145 • artichokejoes.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em pays up to \$100K; bad-beat jackpot in Omaha; royal flushes pay \$599; quads \$100; straight flush \$200; Aces Cracked pays up to \$300.
AVIATOR CASINO (661) 721-7770 • theaviatorcasino.com	Mon. & Wed. (\$30, 6p); Sat. & Sun. (\$25, 2p); Mexican Poker, Thurs. & Sun. (\$30, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; mini bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Mexican poker and Omaha; Lucky Seat; Splash Pots; call for more promotions.
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BAY 101 (408) 451-8888 • bay101.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$125, 9:30a); Fri. (\$180, 9:30a); Sat. (\$230, 9a), but 2nd Sat. (9:30a, \$550); Sun. (9a, \$180); Bay 101 Open, Aug. 12-19 w/main event, Aug. 17 (\$1,080).	Earn double points and WPT vouchers for future events (call for details).
BICYCLE CASINO (562) 806-4646 • thebike.com	Legends of Poker series runs until Sept. 1 w/main event starting Aug. 29 (\$3,700, 1p); see ad Page 11 for schedule.	Get paid \$5/hour to play at the Bike (call for details).
CACHE CREEK CASINO (530) 796-3118 • cachecreek.com	Wed. (\$55 w/\$50 rebuy, 6p); Fri. KO (\$55, 6:30p); Sat.-Sun. (\$55 w/\$50 rebuy, noon).	Aces Cracked pays \$100 (Mon.-Fri., 10a-10p); quads pay \$100 (Mon.-Fri., 6a-6p); royal flush pays \$100 (daily).
CAPITOL CASINO (916) 446-0700 • capitol-casino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$30 w/rebuy & add-on, 10a); Sat.-Sun. (\$60 w/\$50 rebuy & add-on, 11a); 1st, 3rd & 4th Sun. \$5K guar. (\$120 w/\$60 add-on, 11a); 2nd Sat. (\$220, 11a).	Bad-beat in hold'em & Omaha; \$200/shift high hand; \$25K Blazing Cash Giveaway, full house or better receives raffle ticket for drawing. See ad Page 9.
CASINO M8TRIX (408) 645-0083 • casinom8trix.com	SNGs offered Sun.-Thurs. after 11p.	No jackpots.
CASINO ROYALE (916) 929-7529 • playcasinoroyale.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$40, 11a); Mon. & Tue. (\$25 w/\$10 rebuys, 6p); Fri. (\$60, 11a); Sat.-Sun. (\$60, 11a) & (\$25, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; \$100 high hands; progressive royal flush; Quantum Quads (call for details).
CHUKCHANSI GOLD RESORT & CASINO (866) 794-6946 • chukchansigold.com	Wed.-Fri. (\$40, 7p); Sat. & Sun. (\$40, 2p & 7p).	Mini bad-beat jackpot; high hand (\$50); get paid for quads (\$100), straight flushes (\$150), and royals (\$200); Aces or Kings Cracked.
CHUMASH CASINO RESORT (805) 686-1968 • chumashcasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$35, 10:15a); Tue. (\$60, 7p); Wed. (\$35, 7p); Thurs. (\$40, 7p); Sat. (\$10 w/rebuys and add-on, 10:15a); Sun. (\$70, 10:15a). \$50K CCPC, June 8 (\$180, 9a).	High-hands pay \$500 (Mon., Fri. & Sat.); Splash the Pot (daily).
CLUB ONE CASINO (559) 497-3000 • clubonecasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$35, 10:15a); Tue. (\$60, 7p); Wed. (\$35, 7p); Thurs. (\$40, 7p); Sat. (\$10 w/rebuys and add-on, 10:15a); Sun. (\$70, 10:15a).	High-hands pay \$500 (Mon., Fri. & Sat.); Splash the Pot (daily).
COLUSA CASINO (530) 458-8844 • colusacasinocom	Mon. \$200 freeroll (7p) (call for details); Tue. (\$40, 7p); first 9 eliminated receive \$60 for \$40 buy-in for live poker; Thurs. Bail Out (cash out) event; call for details.	Call for information.
COMMERCE CASINO (323) 721-2100 • commercecasino.com	Call for information.	Call for information.
CORDOVA CASINO (916) 293-7477 • cordovacasinocom	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; super bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; player rewards (\$300 for 50 hours played).
DIAMOND JIM'S CASINO (661) 256-1400 • diamondjimscasino.net	Mon., Tue. Wed., (\$30, 6p) \$1K guarantee; Sat. & Sun., (\$30, 12:30p) \$1K guarantee.	Jackpots available for hold'em and Omaha.
FOLSOM LAKE BOWL (916) 983-4411 • folsomlakebowl.com	Sat. (\$30 w/\$20 rebuys, 8p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

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HAWAIIAN GARDENS CASINO (562) 860-5887 • thegardenscasino.com	Daily (\$30-\$150); Mon.-Fri. (1p & 6:45p); Sat. (10a & 1p); Sun. (2:15a & 1p).	Aces Cracked (24/7); high hand (Mon.-Fri.); Pay for Play (call for details).
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JACKSON RANCHERIA CASINO RESORT (209) 223-1677 • jacksoncasino.com	Mon. (\$40, 11a) & \$2K guar. (\$50, 7p); Tue. 0/8 (\$40, 11a); Wed. \$1K guar. (\$40, 11a) & KO (\$60, 7p); Thurs. Crazy Pineapple (\$30, 11a); Fri. & Sat. 2.5K guar. (\$60, 11a).	Ante Up Poker League for a poker cruise package runs until Sept. 26.
LAKE ELSINORE CASINO (951) 674-3101 • lercasino.com	Mon. (\$57, 7p); Fri. & Sat. (\$57, 11a); satellite tournaments are \$22 and run on Mon. (10a); Tue.-Thurs. & Sun. (10a & 7p).	Call for information.
LIMELIGHT CARD ROOM (916) 446-2208 • limelightcardroom.com	Mon., Wed., Thurs. & Sat. (\$20 w/\$5 rebuy, 10a); Mon. KO (\$50, 7p); Tue. 0/8 (\$20, 10a); Thur. (\$60, 7p); Fri. \$3K guar. (\$37 w/\$10 rebuys, 10a); Sun. \$5K guar. (\$60, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
LIVERMORE CASINO (925) 447-1702 • livermorecasino.net	Thurs. (\$40, 6p).	Bad-beat progressive jackpot in hold'em.
LODI CASINO (209) 334-9777 • thelodicasino.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$25, 10:20a); Mon. (\$40, 7:20p); Tue. (\$30, 7:20p); Wed.-Thurs. (\$40, 7:20p); Fri. (\$30, 10:20a) & (\$30, 7:20p); 1st, 2nd & 4th Sat. (\$45, 10:20a); Sun. freeroll (2:20p).	Super bad-beat jackpot; Aces Cracked; high hand.
LOTUS CASINO (916) 399-4929 • mylotuscasino.com	Mon.-Sat. (\$40 w/\$20 rebuys and add-on, 11a & 7p); Sun. KO (\$80, 11a & 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; royal-flush bonus; first-time players receive bonus chips (see website for details).
LUCKY CHANCES CASINO (650) 758-2237 • luckychances.com	Call for schedule.	Call for information.
LUCKY DERBY CASINO (916) 726-8946 • luckyderbycasino.com	Tue. KO (\$75, 6:30p); Sat. & Sun. (\$40, 10a).	Player points accumulated through live play (call for promotions).
LUCKY LADY CASINO (619) 287-6690 • luckyladycardroom.com	Daily (\$25, 10a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
MORONGO CASINO (888) 667-6646 • morongocasinoresort.com	Daily (\$30-\$97); Mon.-Fri. (10a & 7p); Sat (11a); Sun. (11a & 6p) including Fri. KO (\$97, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em and Omaha; Aces Cracked; get paid for royals; high hands.
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PECHANGA RESORT (951) 693-1819 • pechanga.com	Mon. (\$30, 10a); Tue. KO (\$35, 10a & 7p); Wed. KO (\$25, 10a); Thurs. Survivor (\$35, 10a); Fri. (\$30, noon); Sat. (\$30, 10a); Sun. (\$35, 10a).	High hands; holiday gift grab; holiday cash giveaway; late night/early bird specials; call for details.
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RANCHO'S CLUB (916) 361-9186 • ranchosclub.com	Tue. & Thurs. (\$35 w/rebuys, 7p); Wed. (\$65, 11:30a); Sat. (\$65, 10a).	Call for promotions.
RED HAWK CASINO (530) 677-2580 • redhawkcasino.com	Friday \$1K guar. (\$40 w/\$20 rebuys, 5:30p).	Call for promotions.
RED HAWK CASINO (530) 677-2580 • redhawkcasino.com	Daily (\$40, 10a).	No promotions.
SAN MANUEL CASINO (800) 359-2464 • sanmanuel.com	\$33K and \$100K Cash is King freeroll held regularly; qualify by collecting high-hand stamps in live action (see website for details).	Double jackpots (Mon. & Wed.); high hand of the hour (Tue. & Thurs.); Money Wheel (Fri.).
SOBOBA CASINO (951) 665-1000 • soboba.net	Daily (\$7-\$20, 10a); Tue. KO \$1.5K guar. (\$30, 7p); Wed. deepstack (\$30, 7p); Fri. \$3K guar. (\$30, 7p); Sat. KO \$2K guar. (\$30, 6p); Sun. \$1.5K guar. (\$20, 10a).	Wheel Spins (Mon. & Wed.); high hand (Tue.); Splash the Pot (Thurs.); Aces Cracked (Sat.-Sun.).
SPOTLIGHT 29 CASINO (760) 775-5566 • spotlight29.com	Mon. (\$35, 11a); Tue.-Thurs. KO (\$50, 11a); Fri. (\$35, 11) & (\$80, 7p); Sat. & Sun. (\$35, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (aces full); Aces Cracked (Sun.-Fri.); high hand (Wed.-Fri.); Sat. cash drawing (2p-mid.).
SYCUAN CASINO (619) 445-6002 • sycuan.com	Mon.-Sat. (\$21 w/rebuys, 10a); Mon.-Wed. qualifiers (\$45, 6:30p); Fri. (\$46 w/\$10 bounties, 6:30p); Sat. & Sun. (\$46 w/\$10 bounties, 6p); Sun. (\$44, 10a).	Progressive jackpots in hold'em (aces full of jacks beaten by quads) and Omaha jackpot (quad eights); Car Giveaway; Poker Yahrtzee; X Marks the Spot (call for details).
TACHI PALACE CASINO (559) 924-7751 • tachipalace.com	Tue. (\$50, 7:15p); Wed. KO (\$60, 7:15p); Fri. (\$50, 11:15a); Sat. KO (\$60, 11:15a); Sun. (\$100, 11:15a).	High hands pay \$50 (daily); Kings Can't Lose (Mon.); Aces Cracked (Thurs.); call for other promotions.
THUNDER VALLEY CASINO (916) 408-7777 • thundervalleyresort.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$40, 1p); Mon. (\$20 w/\$10 rebuys, 7p); Wed. Omaha/8 (\$75, 7p); Fri.-Sun. (\$60, 11a); Fri. deepstack (\$125, 5p); Sun. KO (\$100, 7p). See ad Page 7.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; high hands (call for details); Players Championship, Aug. 1-12 w/\$250K guar. main event starting Aug. 8 (\$1,100).
VIEJAS CASINO (619) 445-5400 • viejas.com	Mon.-Wed. (\$10 w/rebuy and add-on, 10a) & (\$30, 6:15p); Thurs. Omaha (\$15, 10a); Fri. (\$40, 10a) & (\$120, 6:15p).	\$5K freeroll; Cash Grab; Prize Wheel (daily); call for details.

COLORADO

AMERISTAR BLACK HAWK (720) 946-4108 • ameristar.com/Black_Hawk.aspx	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads).
GOLD CREEK CASINO - CRIPPLE CREEK (719) 689-5449 • facebook.com/goldcreekpokerroom	Friday (\$20 w/\$20 rebuys and add-ons, 4p); Sat. Survivor w/top 10% splitting the prize pool (\$95).	Super and Major bad-beat jackpot; Red and Black Monte Carlo Jackpots.
GOLDEN GATES CASINO (303) 582-5600 • goldencasino.com	Daily (\$40-\$300) at 10a, noon, 3p and 7p w/an event on Sunday (\$100 w/\$100 rebuys, noon).	Early bird specials; players can earn \$5 per hour in cash back (call for details).
ISLE CASINO BLACK HAWK (303) 998-7777 • black-hawk.isleofcapricasinos.com	Wed. \$15 house-funded KO (\$60, 6:30p); Thurs. PLO (\$60, 11a); see website for schedule.	Bad-beat jackpot is aces full of 10s; new poker players earn \$10/hour; early birds earn \$30 (daily).
LADY LUCK CASINO (303) 582-2141 • isleofcapricasinos.com	Fri. (\$60, 3p & 7p); Sat. (\$60, noon & 4p); Sun. (\$60, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot is aces full of jacks.
LODGE CASINO AT BLACK HAWK (303) 582-1771 • thelodgecasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$80, noon); Daily (\$100, 7p); Sat.-Sun. (\$100, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads.
RESERVE CASINO HOTEL (303) 582-0800 • reservecasinohotel.com	No tournaments scheduled, but will run them upon request.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Jackpot Vault consists of 14 jackpots with quads or better and is progressive.

CONNECTICUT

FOXWOODS CASINO (800) 369-9663 • foxwoods.com	Daily (\$60-\$300, 9a-8p) including \$20K guar., Fri. (\$230, 6p); \$25K guar., Sat. (\$300, 11a) & Sun. (\$120, 11a); WSOPC, Aug. 8-19; See ad Page 30.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad eights and quad deuces in stud.
MOHEGAN SUN CASINO (860) 862-8000 • mohegansun.com	Daily (\$60-\$200); Tue. & Thurs. (\$75, 10a); Wed. \$10K guar. (\$120, 7p) & Fri. (\$200, 2p); Sat. (\$150, 11a); Sun. (\$120, 5p); Summer Showdown runs until Aug. 4.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and stud is quad fives.



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DELAWARE PARK (302) 355-1050 • delawarepark.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$65, noon, 4p, & 7p); Fri.-Sun. (\$65-\$340, noon, 4p, 7p & 10p); Sat. (\$30-\$60, 9a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em with descending qualifier; mini bad beat; high hand pays up to \$250.
DOVER DOWNS HOTEL & CASINO (302) 674-4600 • doverdowns.com	Mon.-Sat. (\$65, 1:15p); Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. (\$75, 7:15p); Fri. (\$95, 7:15p); Sat. (\$80, 7:15p); Sun. (\$95, 1:15p); \$25K guar., last Fri. of month (\$300, 7p). See ad Page 36.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hand; royal flush bonus; cash back rewards. Ask about Ante Up Poker Cruise satellites.
HARRINGTON RACEWAY (888) 887-5687 • harringtonraceway.com	Mon. KO (\$85, 11a); Tue. & Thurs. (\$60, 11a); Wed. Omaha Round by Round \$1K guar. (\$60, 11a); Sat. (\$60 w/rebuy & add-on, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of kings; \$3 max rake and \$3 food specials (Mon.).

FLORIDA

BESTBET JACKSONVILLE (904) 646-0002 • bestbetjax.com	Daily (\$40-\$150) at noon, 3p & 7p; CPPT, Aug. 29-Sept. 8 w/\$300K main event, Sept. 6 (\$1,500); see ad Page 15 for more info.	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em, Omaha and stud; royals and steel wheel pay \$250 (spades pay \$500); hourly high hands (Sun.-Thurs.).
BESTBET ORANGE PARK KENNEL CLUB (904) 646-0002 • bestbetjax.com	Tue. (\$150, 6p); Thurs. Turbo KO (\$200, 6p); Sun. (\$50, noon & \$100, 6p).	Bad-beat in hold'em, Omaha and stud; royals and steel wheels pay \$250 (spades pay \$500); hourly high hands (Sun.-Thurs.); Quads pay \$100 (Fri., noon-midnight). Call for information.
CALDER CASINO (305) 625-1311 • studzpkoker.com	Call for information.	
CASINO MIAMI JAI-ALAI (305) 633-6400 • crystalcardroom.com	Daily (\$20-\$165); Tue. (\$35, 7p); Thurs. \$3K guar. (\$75, 7p); Sun. \$4K guar. (\$100, 2p); call for details. Player of the Month and daily SNGs.	Progressive royals and rolling quads of the day are progressive; hourly high hands (daily); call for details. Bad beat starts at \$20K.
CREEK ENTERTAINMENT GRETNA (866) 946-3360 • creekentertainmentgretna.com	Thurs. & Sun. \$10K satellite (\$75, 1p & 7p); Fri. & Sun. (\$50, 7p); Sat. KO (\$100, 7p); \$10K guar., 1st Sat. of month (\$250, 1p); last Sat. of month (\$150, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads), Omaha (quad jacks) and stud (quads); get paid for quads, straight flush and royal flush; high hands pays \$100/hr (Fri.-Sun.).
DANIA JAI-ALAI (954) 927-2841 • dania-jai-alai.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$10, 12:30p); Sun., Mon., Tue., (\$15, 6:30p); Wed. (\$40, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$50 w/\$25 bounties, 6:30p); Fri. (\$125, 6:30p); Sat. (\$20, 12:30p & 6:30p).	High hand starts at \$500 (daily); Magic Hand wins free tournament ticket; Spin-the-Wheel pays up to \$500; royal flushes pay \$250.
DAYTONA BEACH KENNEL CLUB (386) 252-6484 • daytonagreyhound.com/pokerroom	Daily (2p & 7p); Mon. (\$65, 7p); Wed. (\$105, 7p); Thurs. (\$65, 7p); Fri. (\$120, 7p); Sat. (\$140, 7p); Sun. (\$175, 1p); Summer Daze \$50K guar., June 17-23 (\$125).	Bad-beat jackpots in limit, no-limit, Omaha and stud; Super Sat. (noon-mid.).
DERBY LANE (727) 812-3339 x7 • derbylanepoker.com	Daily (\$50-\$330) on Sun.-Thurs. (1p, 4p, & 7p) & Fri.-Sat. (1p, 6p, & 8p). See ad on Page 17.	Daily cash and prize promotions; high hands; tournament high hands; see website for more promotions.
EBRO GREYHOUND PARK (850) 234-3943 • ebrogreyhoundpark.com	Daily (\$20-\$220) on Sun.-Fri. (8p), Sat. (2p, 8p, midnight). See ad on Page 14.	High hands pay \$100 (Mon. & Fri., 9a-midnight) and \$500 (Sun.-Thurs., 2a-3a & Fri.-Sat, midnight-9a); \$4,999 royal flush of spades (Tue.-Thurs., 9a-noon).
FT. PIERCE JAI-ALAI & POKER (772) 464-7500 • jaijai.net/poker.php	Mon. (\$75, 7p); Wed. (\$55, 7p); Sat. (\$100, 1:30p); Sun. (\$55, 4p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud (see website for rules and payouts); quads pays \$100-\$220 (daily).
GULFSTREAM PARK (954) 457-6336 • gulfstreampark.com	Daily (6:30p); Mon., Fri. (\$2.5K guar.), Sun. (\$60); Tue. \$1.5K guar. (\$80); Wed. (\$100); Thurs. PLO (\$20 w/\$10 rebuys); Mon.-Wed. (KO) & Sat. (rebuy). Ad on 41.	High hands (daily); \$500/half hour with power hours paying \$750 at noon, 4p, 7p & 10p (Fri.-Sat., noon-midnight); \$250/hour (Sun.-Thurs., 11a-3a); royals pay \$500.
ISLE CASINO AT POMPANO PARK (954) 972-2000 x5123 • theislepomanopark.com	Daily (\$100-\$230); Mon.-Wed. & Fri.-Sat. (noon, 7:30p); Thurs. (7:30p); Sat. & Sun. (noon). See ad on Page 25.	Bad-beat and high-hand jackpots in hold'em and Omaha; \$10K cash drawings every Sunday.
MAGIC CITY CASINO (305) 649-3000 • flaglerdogs.com	SNGs daily (\$65-\$800); call for details.	Big Slick Royal Progressive; high hands pay \$150; progressive Hot Table pays minimum of \$500 (daily); Hot Table 100 spins wheel (Sat., 2p, 6p, 10p & 2a).
MARDI GRAS CASINO (877) 557-5687 x3167 • playmardigras.com	Mon. H.O.R.S.E. (\$115, 1p) & freeroll (7p); Tue. 0/8 (\$100, 7p); Wed. PLO \$1.5K guar. freeroll (7p); Thurs. \$1.5K guar. freeroll (7p); Sun. \$1.5K guar. shootout freeroll (7p).	Sun. & Thurs. Instant Win (daily) pays for full house (\$50), quads (\$100), straight flush (\$250) and royal flush (\$500); \$500 high-hand jackpot (every half-hour).
MELBOURNE GREYHOUND PARK (321) 259-9800 • mgpark.com	Mon. (\$65, 1p & 7p); Tue. (\$35 w/\$30 rebuys, 1p & 7p); Thurs. (\$35 w/rebuys, 1p & 590 KO, 7p); Fri. \$5K guar. (\$45, 7p); Sat. (\$120, 1p); Sun. (\$65, 1p). See ad below.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em & Omaha; royals pay \$500; Aces Cracked (Wed.); high hand (Sun.-Sat.).
MICCOSUKEE RESORT & GAMING (877) 242-4664 • miccosukee.com	\$2K guar. (\$50); \$2K guar. PLO (\$50); call for schedule.	Splash the Pot pays \$50 (Sun.-Thurs., 8:15a-11:15a); \$3K raffle pays \$250 every 30 minutes (Fri.); Twilight High Hand pays \$200 every 30 minutes (Sun.-Thurs., 8p-2a).



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NAPLES-FT. MYERS GREYHOUND TRACK (239) 992-2411 • naplesfortmyersdogs.com	Mon. & Tue. (\$50, noon & 7p); Wed. (\$65, 7p & \$35 all in or fold, 7p); Thurs. (\$65, noon & \$50, 7p); Fri. (\$115, 6p); Sat. (\$115, noon); Sun. (\$125, noon) & 0/8 (\$65, 6p).	Big Slick Royal pays minimum of \$10K; all other royals pay \$1K; \$500 high hand every half-hour (Sat., 6p-1:30a); deepstack KO event, Aug. 3 (\$275, noon).
OCALA POKER AND JAI-ALAI (352) 591-2345 • ocalapoker.com	Mon. KO (\$40 w/\$10 bounties, 7p); Tue. (\$35, 7p); Wed. (\$50, 7p); Thurs. Omaha (\$50, 7p); Fri. (\$115, 7p); Sun. (\$30, 4p). See ad on Page 39.	Big High Hand \$300 max/\$30 min (Fri.) and \$500 max/\$30 min (Sat.); high hand (daily).
PALM BEACH KENNEL CLUB (561) 683-2222 • pbkennelclub.com	Daily (\$30-\$200) at noon & 6:30p; Player of the Month points for every tournament, \$8K for top 5 and \$25K freeroll for top 100 (call for details). See ad Page 13.	Bad beat in hold'em, Omaha, and stud; mini bad beat in hold'em; progressive jackpot and high hands (call for details).
PENSACOLA GREYHOUND TRACK (850) 455-8595 • pensacolagreyhoundtrack.com	Daily (\$50-\$100); Mon., Fri. & Sun. (\$50, 7p); Tue. & Fri. (\$50, 1p); Wed. & Sat. (\$100, 7p); \$10K guar., 2nd Sat. (\$250, 1p); \$20K guar., last Sat. (\$500, 1p).	Bad-beat in hold'em (quads), Omaha (quad jacks) and stud (quads); full house or better (daily); mini bad beat (daily, mid.-4a); play Sun.-Wed. for an extra \$2/hr.
SARASOTA KENNEL CLUB (941) 355-7744 x1054 • skcpoker.com	Daily (\$40-\$160) including Fri. (\$110, 1p, 25K chips); Sat. (\$160, 2p, 15K chips, 30-minute levels). Now open on Sundays.	Progressive jackpots in all games.
SEMINOLE CASINO BRIGHTON (866) 222-7466 x121 • seminolecasinobrighton.com	Wed. (\$20, 7p); Sat. (\$50, 7p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands (Fri.-Sun.); Pick-A-Pocket pays up to \$1K (Mon., 4-9); Aces Cracked (Tue. & Thurs.); Rolling Cash Fever (Wed.).
SEMINOLE CASINO COCONUT CREEK (866) 222-7466 • seminolecoconutcreekcasino.com	Mon., Wed. & Sat. (\$120, 6p); Tue. & Thurs. (\$65, 6p); Fri. (\$100, 9p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
SEMINOLE HARD ROCK HOLLYWOOD (866) 502-7529 • seminolehardrockhollywood.com	Daily (\$40-\$560); guaranteed prize pools (call for details); SHR Open, Aug. 8-29 w/main event, Aug. 22 (\$5,300, noon) and High Roller event, Aug. 26 (\$100K, noon).	Hourly high hands in limit and no-limit (daily); Play, earn, and redeem (call for details). See ad Page 35.
SEMINOLE HARD ROCK TAMPA (866) 502-7529 • seminolehardrocktampa.com	Daily (\$40-\$550), including Wed. (\$225, alternates between 12:30p/7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
SEMINOLE CASINO IMMOKALEE (866) 222-7466 • theseminolecasino.com	Wed. (\$50, 1p & \$40, 7p); Fri. (\$70, 7p); Sat. super satellites are running (1p & 7p) for the \$10M Hard Rock Open in August; call for details. See ad on Page 16.	High hands (\$50-\$100) every 2 hrs (Sun.-Thurs., 11a-11p & Fri.-Sat., 11p-2a & 2a-4a); prog. royals and bad beat; Fri. high hands every 2 hrs (11a-11p) pays \$575 voucher.
TAMPA BAY DOWNS (813) 298-1798 • tampabaydowns.com	Daily (\$20-\$200) at 1p and 7p. See ad Page 31.	Up to \$599 high hands (Tue. & Fri., 1p-mid.); \$300 every 15 minutes (Mon. & Wed., 1p-7p & 9p-1a).
TAMPA GREYHOUND TRACK (813) 932-4313 • luckycards.com	Daily (\$30-\$80); Sun.-Thurs. (2p & 6:30p); Fri.-Sat. (2p, 7:30p). Sunday Challenge, last Sun. of every month (\$115, 1p, 15K chips).	Rise & Shine starts at \$500 (daily, 11:30a-4p); quads (\$50-\$75), straight flushes (\$150) and royals (\$300) from Sun.-Thurs. (4p-11p); high hands pay 2Xs (Fri.-Sat., 4p-11p).

ILLINOIS

GRAND VICTORIA ELGIN (847) 531-7753 • grandvictoria-elgin.com	Call for information.	Comp dollars (call for details).
HARRAH'S JOLIET (815) 740-7480 • harrahsjoliet.com	Thursday (\$125, 7p, 4K chips, 20-minute levels); Sunday (\$125, 4p, 4K chips); 1st Sat. KO; 2nd & 4th Sat. Deepstack; 3rd Sat. MiniDeep (call for details).	Mega bad-beat jackpot (quad eights); mini bad-beat jackpot (aces full of kings); get paid for straight and royal flushes.
HOLLYWOOD CASINO AURORA (630) 801-7471 • hollywoodcasinoaurora.com	Wednesday (\$160, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad fives.
HOLLYWOOD CASINO JOLIET (815) 927-2175 • hollywoodcasinojoliet.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
JUMER'S CASINO & HOTEL (309) 756-4600 • jumerscri.com	Mon. (\$40, 6p); Tue. (\$40, 7p); Wed. (\$50, 7p); Sun. (\$80, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
PAR-A-DICE CASINO (309) 698-6693 • paradicecasino.com	Mon. (\$115, 7p); Sun. (\$115, 11a) & (\$55, 7p).	Call for information.
ROCKFORD CHARITABLE GAMES (800) 965-7852 • rcgpoker.com	SNGs: \$25, \$50 and \$115. MTTs: (\$60, \$120). See ad Page 43.	Call about monthly freerolls.

INDIANA

BELTERRA CASINO RESORT (812) 427-7777 • beltterracasino.com	Mon. & Wed. (\$40, 7:15p); Tue. (\$65, 7:15p); Thurs. (\$40, 12:15p) & (\$65, 7:15p); Fri. (\$65, 7:15p) & (\$40, midnight); Sat. & Sun. (\$65, 11:15a); Sun. (\$40, 5:15p).	Call for promotions.
BLUE CHIP (219) 861-4820 • bluechipcasino.com	Tue. & Thurs. (\$20 w/\$20 rebuys, 6p); Wed. (\$60, 6p); Sat. & Sun. (\$80, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hand of the hour (Mon.-Fri., 10a-2p) pays \$50 per hour; Real Deal Lucky Wheel pays up to \$200 (Fri.-Sat., 4p-midnight).
HOLLYWOOD CASINO LAWRENCEBURG (812) 539-8000 • www.hollywoodindiana.com	Daily (\$80-\$150) at 11:15a & 7:15p.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; WPT satellite freeroll for top tournament point earners (call for details).
HORSESHOE HAMMOND (219) 473-6065 • horseshoehammond.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$100, 11); Mon. & Tues. (\$120, 7p); Thurs. (\$200, 7p); Fri. & Sat. Survivor (\$120, 11a); Sun. (\$200, 11a); last Sat. of month (\$500, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in select games.
HORSESHOE SOUTHERN INDIANA (812) 969-6000 • horseshoe-indiana.com	Daily (\$50-\$81); Mon. (noon); Tue. (noon, 7p); Wed. (7p); Thurs. (noon); Fri. (midnight); Sat. (noon); Sun. (3p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
MAJESTIC STAR II (219) 977-7444 • majesticstarcasino.com	Wed. (\$55, 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 7p); Fri. (\$130, 7p); Sat. (\$60, 1p & \$105, 7p); Sun. (\$55, 11a & \$60, 7p); HPT, Aug. 9-19 w/main event, Aug. 16 (\$1,650).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of kings; tournament bad-beat jackpot; high hand of the day pays \$200 (call for details).

IOWA

DIAMOND JO CASINO NORTHWOOD (641) 323-7777 • diamondjo.com	Tue. (\$40, 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 7p); Fri. (\$25, 2p); Sat. (\$40, 2p); Sun. (\$60, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad 5s; mini bad-beat jackpot is aces full of jacks; progressive jackpots for straight flushes.
GRAND FALLS CASINO (712) 777-7777 • grandfallscasinosort.com	Mon. Omaha/8 (\$40, 1p); Tue. (\$40, 1p); Thurs. (\$40, 6p); Sat. (\$60, noon); Sun. (\$100, 1p).	Call for information on future promotions.
HORSESHOE COUNCIL BLUFFS (877) 771-7463 • horseshoecouncilbluffs.com	Mon., Wed. Sat. (\$65, 10a); Tue. (\$65, 7p); Thurs. KO (\$75, 7p); Sun. (\$45, 10a & 2p); Omaha/8, 1st Mon. of month (\$100); Fat Stack, 2nd Sat. (\$125) and last Sat. (\$235).	Bad-beat jackpot is quad deuces in hold'em and quad 10s in Omaha; high-hand; get paid for royals (\$300), straight flush (\$200) and quads (\$50). See ad Page 24.
MESKWAKI CASINO (641) 484-2108 • meskwaki.com	Tue. (\$25 w/rebuys, 7p); Wed. Omaha/8 (\$30, 7p); Thurs. (\$30 w/re-entry, 7p); Sat. & Sun. (\$30, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; royal flush jackpot.
MYSTIQUE GREYHOUND PARK (563) 585-2964 • mystiqueclubq.com	Thursday (\$40, 6p); Friday (\$60, 1p); Sunday (\$65, 1p).	Straight flush progressive jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud pays 10 jackpots (call for details).
PRAIRIE MEADOWS CASINO (515) 967-8543 • prairiemeadows.com	Tue. (\$30, noon); Wed. (\$30, 7p); Sun. (\$60, noon); KO event on first Thursday of every month; call for details.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of jacks losing to quads; straight flush pays \$200.
RIVERSIDE CASINO (319) 648-1234 • riversidecasinoandresort.com	Mon. & Fri., Omaha/8 (\$30, 11a); Tue. PLH/O (\$40, 7p); Wed. KO (\$50, 7p); Thurs. (\$30, 6p); Fri. (\$30, 4p); Sat. (\$30, 1p); Sun. (\$50, 2p); last Sat. of month (\$100, 1p).	Bad-beat in hold'em (aces full of kings) and Omaha (quad 10s); player comps (call for details); Sun. qualifiers (\$60) for Ann. Classic on Aug. 30-Sept. 1. Ad on Page 34.
WINNAVEGAS (712) 428-9466 • winnavegas.biz	Call for information.	High-hand bonus jackpot.

KANSAS

BOOT HILL CASINO (877) 906-0777 • boothillcasino.com	Monday (\$75, 6p).	Call for information.
HOLLYWOOD CASINO (913) 288-9300 • hollywoodcasinokansas.com	Mon. (\$65, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
KANSAS STAR CASINO (316) 719-5000 • kansasstarcasino.com	Wed. (\$85, 7p); freeroll, 1st Sunday of the month (call for details).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

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COUSHATTA CASINO (800) 584-7263 • coushattacasinoresort.com	Daily, including Tue. (\$20 w/rebuys, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$75, 7p); Fri. (\$130, 7:30p); Sat. (\$220, 2p). See ad Page 28.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
CYPRESS BAYOU CASINO (800) 284-4386 • cypressbayou.com	Wednesday (6p); call for details.	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Aces Cracked.
ELDORADO CASINO SHREVEPORT (318) 220-5274 • eldoradoshreveport.com	Mon. (\$55 w/\$20 rebuys); Tue. (\$105 w/\$50 add-on, 6:30p); Wed. (\$120 w/\$25 KO, 6:30p); Sat. (\$120 w/\$75 add-on, 11a); Sun. (\$145, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads; straight flush pays \$100 (24/7); Aces Cracked (Mon.-Thurs., 2a-2p); tournament bad-beat jackpot.
HARRAH'S NEW ORLEANS (504) 533-6000 • harrahsneworleans.com	Call for schedule.	Call for promotions.
HORSESHOE CASINO BOSSIER CITY (800) 895-0711 • horseshoebossiercity.com	Mon., Wed., Sat., Sun. (\$100-\$200 w/rebuys & add-ons) including Thurs. (\$200, 6p).	High hands (Sun. & Wed.); Aces Cracked (Mon., Tue., Fri.); Splash Cash (Thurs.). Call for details and times.
ISLE OF CAPRI LAKE CHARLES (337) 430-2407 • lake-charles.isleofcapricasinos.com	Monday (\$60, 6:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; minor jackpots daily; cash giveaways (daily).
JENA CHOCTAW PINES CASINO (318) 648-7773 • jenachoclawpinescasino.com	Tournaments run on Wed., Fri., Sat., and twice on Sun. (call for schedule).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of 10s.
L'AUBERGE BATON ROUGE CASINO (225) 215-7777 • lbatonrouge.com	Call for information.	Call for promotions.
L'AUBERGE DU LAC CASINO (337) 395-7777 • ldldcasino.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; player comps earned on a tier basis (call for details).
PARAGON CASINO RESORT (800) 946-1946 • paragoncasinoresort.com	Mon. KO (\$20, 7p); Tue. (\$18, 10:30a); Fri. (\$60, 7p).	Aces Cracked (Thurs.); Straight Flush Saturdays; progressive royal flush jackpot.

MARYLAND

HOLLYWOOD CASINO PERRYVILLE (410) 378-8500 • hollywoodcasinoperryville.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad deuces or better beaten.
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MICHIGAN

FIREKEEPERS CASINO (269) 962-0000 • firekeeperscasino.com	Mon.-Sat. (\$70, 10a); Mon. & Wed. (\$70, 6:30p); Tue. KO (\$70, 6:30p); Thurs. PLO (\$55, 6:30p); Sun. (\$110, noon); second Sunday of month (\$220, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of jacks beaten by quads.
GREEKTOWN HOTEL & CASINO (313) 223-2999 • greektowncasino.com	Call for information.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; secondary bad-beat jackpot; high hand jackpot; earn tickets every day for drawings (Tue. & Fri.) - call for details.
LEELANAU SANDS CASINO (231) 534-8100 • casino2win.com	Call for information.	Call for promotions.
MGM GRAND DETROIT (313) 465-1777 • mgmgranddetroit.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
SOARING EAGLE CASINO (989) 775-7777 • soaringeaglecasino.com	Mon. (\$60, 6:30p); Tue. (\$13 w/rebuys, 6:30p); Wed. KO (\$45, 6:30p); Sun. (\$60, 12:30p); 1st Fri. of month (\$175, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; Soaring Hand jackpots increase daily (call for details).
TURTLE CREEK CASINO & HOTEL (231) 534-8937 • turtlecreekcasino.com	Tournaments featured monthly (call for details).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

MINNESOTA

CANTERBURY PARK (952) 445-7223 • canterburypark.com	Mon., Wed., Fri., Sun. (\$45, 10:30a); Mon. & Sun. (\$100, 6:30p); Tue. (\$45, 6:30p); Wed. (\$235, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$75, 6:30p); Sat. (\$180, 10:30a).	Bad beat in hold'em, Omaha and stud; high hand/hr (Mon., 9a-mid.); Aces Cracked (Tue., 10a-6p); \$1.5K Cash for Quads Board (Thurs., 8a & 5p).
RUNNING ACES HARNESS PARK (651) 925-4600 • runningacesharness.com	Mon. freeroll (7p); Tue. (\$45, 2p & \$125, 6p); Wed. (\$45, 10:30a & \$65, 6p); Thurs. & Sun. (\$45, 2p & \$125, 6p); Fri. (\$65, 10:30a); Sat. (\$65, 9:30a & \$235, 2p).	Aces Cracked (Tue.); Aces Cracked Double the Pot (Thurs.); Aces Cracked progressive (Fri.-Sat.); Tournament of Champions, Aug. 9 (\$2,500, noon); call for details.
TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO (651) 388-6300 • treasureislandcasino.com	Wed. (\$60, 6p); Thurs. (\$50, 7p); Sat. (\$60, 2p); Island Cup deepstack on Mondays (\$70, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Aces Cracked (Thurs., 10a-2a & Sun.-Mon., 10p-close); get paid for straight flush (\$75); royals are progressive and starts at \$100.

MISSISSIPPI

BEAU RIVAGE RESORT AND CASINO (228) 386-7092 • beaurivage.com	Daily (call for schedule); Gulf Coast Poker Championship, Aug. 22-Sept. 2 w/main event, Aug. 30 (\$1,580, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; Super Mini Bad-Beat Jackpot (24/7/365); Aces Cracked (Sun., Mon. & Wed., 9a-mid.).
GOLD STRIKE CASINO AND RESORT (662) 357-1136 • goldstrikemississippi.com	Daily (\$35-\$340); World Poker Open runs until Aug. 5 (call for details).	Bad-beat jackpots (call for details); win \$100 every other hour (Mon.-Fri., 3a-10a); get paid to play (25 hours minimum).
HARD ROCK BILOXI (228) 374-7625 • hardrockbiloxi.com	Mon. KO (\$40, 3p); Thurs. (\$30, 3p); Fri. (\$35, 3p); Sat. (\$55, 3p); Sun. (\$30, 3p).	Bad-beat jackpot is aces full of queens; Hard Rock Jackpot Hands (daily); Splash the Pot (Thurs.-Mon.); Set over Set (Sun.-Tue.); high hand (Tue. & Wed.).
HARRAH'S TUNICA (800) 946-4946 x33760 • harrahsunica.com	Mon. & Fri. (\$60, 1p); Tue. (\$70, 1p); Wed. & Thurs. (\$35 w/\$20 add-on, 1p); Fri. (\$40, 6p); Sat. (\$70, 1p & \$70, 6p); Sun. (\$50, 1p & \$60, 6p).	Progressive quads with \$4/\$8 Hot Seat (call for details).
HOLLYWOOD CASINO TUNICA (800) 871-0711 x5005 • hollywoodunica.com	Daily (\$10-\$40). Mon., Wed., Thurs. (6p); Fri. & Sat. (7p); Sat. & Sun. (2p); Sunday \$1K guarantee (\$10 w/rebuys & \$20 add-on, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads, must be in \$3-\$6 or higher) and Omaha.
HORSESHOE CASINO TUNICA (662) 357-5608 • horseshoetunica.com	Mon.-Wed. (\$50, 7p); Thurs. KO (\$50, 7p); Fri. (\$90, 6p); Sat. \$10K guar. (\$150, 3p); Sun. (\$90, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; call for more daily promotions.
IP CASINO RESORT & SPA (888) 946-2847 x8554 • ipbiloxi.com	Daily (\$60, noon).	Poker Squares pay up to \$1K (Sun. & Mon.).
ISLE CASINO HOTEL BILOXI (228) 436-7967 • biloxi.isleofcapricasinos.com	Mon., Fri. & Sat. KO (\$40 w/rebuy, 2p); Tue. & Thurs. (\$20 w/rebuy, 2p); Wed. KO (\$40 w/rebuy and bounties, 7p); Sun. (\$20 w/rebuy, 7p).	Progressive straight and royal flush (daily); high hand (Tue., Thurs. & Sun., 10a-mid.); Aces Cracked/Lucky Seat (Mon. & Wed., 10a-mid. & Fri., 10a-6p).
PEARL RIVER RESORT (601) 663-1040 • pearlriverresort.com	Mon. \$2K guar. (\$25 w/\$10 rebuy, 7p); Wed. \$1K guar. (\$40, 7p); Fri. \$1.5K guar. (\$50, 2p); Sat. \$2K guar. (\$50, 2p); Sun. \$1K guar. (\$40, 2p); \$25K guar., Sept. 6-8 (\$225).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.

MISSOURI

AMERISTAR ST. CHARLES (636) 949-7777 • ameristar.com	Mon. & Tue. (\$45 w/rebuys & add-on, 7p); Wed. & Thurs. (\$55, 7p); Fri. (\$75, 7p); Sat. (\$75, 2p); Sun. (\$55, noon).	Progressive high-hand jackpot pays quads, straight flushes and royals.
AMERISTAR KANSAS CITY (816) 414-7000 • ameristar.com	Mon. (\$60, 7p); Tue.-Thurs. (\$85, 7p); Wed. KO (\$85, 7p); Fri.-Sat. (\$60, noon); Sun. (\$100, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (see website for details).
HARRAH'S NORTH KANSAS CITY (816) 472-7777 • harrahsnkcc.com	Sun.-Thurs. (\$80, 1p & 7p); Fri. (\$80, 10a & 7p); Sat. (\$120, 10a); Sat. pineapple (\$80, 7p).	High hands (17 jackpots); call for details.
HOLLYWOOD ST. LOUIS (314) 770-8100 • hollywoodcasinostlouis.com	Mon.-Wed. (\$60, 1p & 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 1p & \$160, 7p); Fri. (\$60, 1p & \$125, 7p); every other Sun. (\$60, noon & 5p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
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RIVER CITY CASINO (888) 578-7289 • rivercity.com	Thurs.-Sun (\$65, 3p); Sat. (\$100, midnight).	Bad-beat in hold'em is nines full of jacks or better and has multipliers (estimated \$250K paid between River City and Lumiere per quarter); Coverall Board promo.



NEVADA

ARIA (866) 359-7111 • arialasvegas.com	Twice daily at 1p & 7p (\$125 w/one optional re-entry, 10K chips, 30-minute levels).	No jackpots.
ATLANTIS CASINO RESORT SPA RENO (800) 723-6500 • atlanticasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$40, 11a); Mon.-Thurs. (\$40, 7p); Sat.-Sun. KO (\$75, 11a).	Rakeback for weekly hours; daily bonus hands for Aces Cracked; quads or better; poker-room comp points (call for details).
BALLY'S LAS VEGAS (702) 967-4111 • ballyslasvegas.com	Daily (\$60, 11a, 2p & 8p) w/\$500 guarantee first prize.	Megabeat Jackpot starts at \$200K (call for details).
BELLAGIO (702) 693-7111 • bellagio.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$125, 2p); Fri. & Sat. (\$545, 2p); Sun. (\$335, 2p); Festa al Lago Classic, Aug. 30-Sept. 13 w/main event, Sept. 9-13 (\$5,180, noon).	No jackpots.
BINIION'S GAMBLING HALL (702) 382-1600 • binions.com	Daily (\$60-\$100) at 10a, 2p, 7p and 10p.	High hands; quads pays (\$50); straight flush pays (\$100); royals pay (\$250).
BOOMTOWN RENO (775) 345-6000 • boomtownreno.com	Call for schedule.	Cash drawings; get paid for quads (\$25), straight flush (\$50), and royals (\$100).
BOULDER STATION HOTEL & CASINO (702) 432-7777 • boulderstation.com	No tournaments.	Multiroom progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em starts at quad sixes and pays \$100K guaranteed; high hand (Wed.); Aces Cracked (Thurs.); \$500 high hand (Sun.).
CAESARS PALACE (702) 731-7110 • caesarspalace.com	Daily (\$70, 9a); (\$110, noon); (\$70, 4p); (\$110, 7p); (\$85, 10p); Sat. & Sun. (\$235, 2p).	Megabeat Jackpot starts at \$200K (call for details).
CIRCUS CIRCUS LAS VEGAS (702) 734-0410 • circuscircus.com	Daily (\$60 w/rebuy, 3:30p).	High hand of hour pays \$50 (daily, noon-3p); Aces Cracked (daily, 3p-5p, 8p-10p & mid.-2a); Faces Cracked (daily, 5p-8p); cash back for hours played (25 hours min).
ELDORADO HOTEL CASINO (775) 786-5700 • eldoradoren.com	Daily (\$30, 10a); Tue. (\$30, 6p); Wed.-Thurs. (\$30, 6p); Friday freeroll on the first Friday of every month (\$2.5K added).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em and stud; quads or better is paid daily.
EXCALIBUR HOTEL AND CASINO (702) 597-7777 • excalibur.com	Daily (\$35, 9a; \$40, 1p, 5p & 8p); all tournaments allow re-entry until the first break.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (aces full beaten by quads); spin the wheel pays \$20-\$300 for quads or Aces Cracked.
FLAMINGO LAS VEGAS (702) 733-3111 • flamingolasvegas.com	Five tournaments daily; \$500 guarantee (\$50, 10a, 2p, 6p, 9p, 12:30a).	High hand pays quads (\$50), straight flush (\$100) and royal (\$500); high hand of the hour pays \$100 (8a-noon & 6p-10p).
GOLDEN NUGGET LAS VEGAS (702) 385-7111 • goldennugget.com	Daily (\$65) at 1a, 4a, 11a, 3p, 7p, 10p; Sun. \$5K guar. (\$100, 9a).	High hand between 2a-2p wins 2Xs the jackpot.
GRAND SIERRA RESORT (775) 789-2000 • grandsierraresort.com	Daily (\$45, 11a); Sun.-Thurs. (\$60, 6:30p); Fri.-Sat. KO (\$80, 6:30p).	Aces Cracked pays \$50 (Sun.-Thurs.).
GREEN VALLEY RANCH (702) 617-7777 • greenvalleyranchresort.com	Daily (\$40, 10a); Mon. Omaha/8 (\$40, 7p); Wed. H.O.R.S.E. (\$40, 7p); high hand cash prizes during tournament play; Omaha freeroll (10 hours min.); call for details.	Multiroom progressive bad beat in hold'em starts at quad sixes and pays \$100K guar.; progressive high hands (daily); royals are worth \$5K-\$10K (all suits).
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LUXOR HOTEL & CASINO (702) 262-4000 • luxor.com	Daily (\$40) at 10:30a, 12:30p, 3:30p, 8:30p, 11:30p.	High hands (daily); Poker Payout Plus, \$1.5K automatic chop (Tue. & Thurs., 6p); \$2K automatic chop (Sun., 2p); call for details.
M RESORT (702) 797-1000 • themresort.com	Daily (\$60, 10a) & (\$60, 10p); Mon., Tue., Thurs., Sun. (\$60, 6p); Wed., Fri., Sat. (\$100, 6p); \$10K guar., last Sat. of month (\$125, noon).	Progressive high hand; bad-beat jackpot in Omaha.
MANDALAY BAY (702) 632-7777 • mandalaybay.com	Mon.-Sun. (\$40, 10a), (\$50, 3p), (\$50, 6p), (\$50, 11p); single table tournaments available (\$60, 1p & 9p).	Progressive high hands (daily); tiered high-hand bonus (Mon., Wed., & Fri.) pays to flop it (\$300), turn it (\$200) and river it (\$100).
MGM GRAND LAS VEGAS (702) 891-1111 • mgmgrand.com	Daily (\$80, 11a); Sun.-Thurs. (\$80, 7p); Tue. H.O.R.S.E. (\$120, 7:15p); Fri. & Sat. (\$125, 7p).	Nightly mixed games and H.O.R.S.E. (call for details).
MIRAGE (702) 791-7111 • mirage.com	Daily (\$60, 11a & 7p) & (\$50, 2p & 10p); Sat. (\$110, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot; high hands; Aces Cracked; high hand of the hour; Déjà Vu Progressive Jackpot (call for details).
MONTE CARLO RESORT & CASINO (702) 730-7777 • montecarlo.com	Daily (\$50, 9a), (\$40, 2p) & (\$60, 6p & 11p); monthly \$16K freeroll (25 hours minimum); call for details.	Table Share (call for details); highest hand of the morning; highest hand of the day.
THE ORLEANS (702) 365-7111 • orleanscasino.com	Mon.-Thurs. various (\$60, 12:05p & \$80, 7:05p); Fri. (\$60, 12:05p) & (\$125, 7:05p); Sat. KO (\$80, 12:05a & \$100, 7:05p); Sun. KO (\$80, 12:05a) & H.O.R.S.E. (\$100, 7:05p).	\$50K Fortune Flop progressive jackpot; Rack or Stack Attack hourly drawings; call for details.
PALACE STATION (702) 367-2453 • palacestation.com	Call for information.	Multiroom prog. bad-beat in hold'em (quad 6s) and pays \$100K guar.; multiroom jumbo royals start at \$5K; progressive Omaha high hands; quads pays \$25 (24/7).
PALMS CASINO (702) 942-7777 • palms.com	Sun.-Fri. (\$65, 10a); Wed. KO (\$75, 7p).	Early bird promo pays \$25 every hour between 8a-1p; earn up to \$200 per day by playing live cash games.
PEPPERMILL RESORT CASINO (775) 826-2121 • peppermillreno.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$35-\$115) at 2p & 6:30p; Sat. (\$115, 1p); Sun. (\$35 w/rebuys, 1p & 6:30p).	High hands; get paid for straight flushes and royals.
PLANET HOLLYWOOD (702) 785-5555 • planethollywoodresort.com	Daily (\$70) at 10a, 2p and 7p.	High-hand jackpots; quads pay \$100; straight and royals are progressive starting at \$250.
QUAD RESORT & CASINO (800) 634-6441 • thquadlv.com	Daily (\$30, 11:30a, 2:30p, 5:30p, 8:30p & 11:30p).	Mega Beat Jackpot starts at \$200K.
RED ROCK CASINO (702) 797-7777 • redrock.sclv.com	Fri.-Sun. (\$110, 10a); Mon. & Thurs. (\$100, 6:30p); Tue.-Wed. & Sun. (\$80, 6:30p). See ad Page 23.	Multiroom progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em starts at quad sixes and pays \$100K guaranteed; tournament bad-beat jackpot.
RIO CASINO (702) 777-7777 • riolasvegas.com	Daily (\$70) at noon, 3p, 6p, 9p and midnight.	Mega bad-beat jackpot starts at \$200K; progressive royals start at \$1K; cash drawings pay \$100 (5a, 7a, 9a and 11a).
SAM'S TOWN LAS VEGAS (702) 456-7777 • samstowntnlv.com	Daily (\$23, 10a) & daily (\$30 w/rebuy, 1:30p); Fri.-Sat. deepstack (\$45 w/rebuy, 7p & 11p); deepstack events on 2nd and 4th Sat. of the month (\$100).	Uncapped progressive high hands; Aces Cracked pays \$50 (midnight-noon & 4p-9p).
SANTA FE STATION CASINO (702) 658-4900 • santafestationlasvegas.com	Sun.-Thurs. (\$45, 7p); Mon.-Sat. (\$45, noon); Fri.-Sat. (\$45, 6p).	Multiroom Jumbo progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em starts at quad sixes and pays \$100K guaranteed.
STRATOSPHERE (702) 944-4915 • stratospherehotel.com	Daily at 11a, 7p and 11p (\$45 w/\$20 add-on); \$65 SNGs (24/7).	Royal and straight-flush jackpots; high-hand jackpot; get paid for quads, straight flushes and royals; Aces Cracked (Mon.-Fri., 9a-5p).
SUNCOAST HOTEL & CASINO (702) 636-7111 • suncoastcasino.com	Daily at 10a & 7p; Mon. & Tue. (\$45 w/\$20 add-on, 7p); Wed. & Sun. KO (\$65 w/\$20 bounties, 7p); all 10a tournaments are \$45 w/\$20 add-on.	High-hand bonus for quads or better; earn comp dollars for playing live games.
SUNSET STATION (702) 547-7982 • sunsetstation.com	No tournaments.	Multiroom progressive bad-beat jackpot; Splash the Pot (Tue.); Make 4 Flushes pays \$400 (Mon. & Thurs.); Aces Cracked double the pot (Wed., Sat. & Sun.).
TEXAS STATION (702) 631-1000 • texasstation.com	Fri. (\$35, 7p).	Jumbo Jackpot is quad fours beaten.
TREASURE ISLAND (702) 894-7111 • treasureisland.com	Daily (\$55) at 11a, 2p, 7p and \$1K guar. at 10p.	High hands pay up to \$599; quads or higher spins wheel; \$5K weekly freeroll (10 hours minimum to qualify).
VENETIAN RESORT (702) 414-1000 • venetian.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$150, noon); nightly (\$120, 7p); Tue. KO (\$150, 7p); Fri. KO (\$200, noon) & Survivor (\$200, 7p); Sat. KO (\$300, noon); Sun. (\$200, noon).	Tournament bad-beat jackpot (\$30K added by the house);
WENDOVER NUGGET (775) 664-2221 • wendovernugget.com	Tue., Wed. & Thurs. (\$20, 8p); Fri. & Sat. (\$50, 8p); Sun. (\$30, 1p); re-entry allowed during the first hour; ladies play free on Wednesdays.	High hand pays up to \$300 every 4 hours (24/7); Reload Bonus (daily, 9a); Crazy Aces (3 times daily).
WYNN LAS VEGAS (702) 770-7000 • wynnlasvegas.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$140, noon); Thurs. KO (\$140, 7p); Fri. \$10K guar. (\$200, noon); Sat. \$25K guar. (\$225, noon); Sun. \$10K guar. (\$200, noon).	\$50 cash for every 10 hours of limit hold'em.

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NEW JERSEY

BALLY'S ATLANTIC CITY (609) 340-2000 • ballysac.com	Daily (\$55); Mon.-Thurs. & Sat. (1p & 7p); Fri. (1p & 9p); Sun. (1p & 7p); winners of tournaments will be invited to the \$10K TOC Freeroll.	Harrah's AC multiroom bad-beat jackpot starts at quad queens and decreases Wed. if not hit; high hand (Mon. & Tue.); bonus comps (Wed. & Thurs.); Aces Cracked (Fri.).
BORGATA HOTEL CASINO (609) 317-1000 • theborgata.com	Daily (\$40-\$300); Mon. \$5K guar. (\$100, 11a); Wed. \$15K guar. (\$120, 11a & 7p); Fri. \$25K guar. (\$300, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad 10s; mini bad beat in hold'em is quad deuces-nines; see website for more promotions.
CAESARS ATLANTIC CITY (609) 348-4411 • caesarsac.com	Daily (\$100, 1:15p & 6:15p).	Harrah's AC multiroom bad-beat jackpot starts at quad queens and decreases every Wednesday if it doesn't get hit; double comp dollars (call for details).
GOLDEN NUGGET ATLANTIC CITY (800) 777-8477 • goldennugget.com/atlanticcity	Daily (\$80, 4a, 10a, 4p & 10p); Sat. \$10K guar. (\$120, noon); Sun. \$2,012 guar. (\$50, noon).	Progressive high-hand jackpot.
HARRAH'S ATLANTIC CITY (609) 441-5000 • harrahsresort.com	Daily at 10:15a, 1:15p, 8:15p and midnight (\$70-\$125).	Harrah's AC multiroom bad beat starts at quad queens and decreases every Wed. if it doesn't get hit.
REVEL (609) 572-6040 • revelresorts.com	Daily (12:30p & 8p); Fri. \$5K guar. (\$75); Sat. (\$100); last Fri. of month \$10K guar. (\$125); Sat. deep stack (\$100). See ad on Page 33.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hand; get paid for royals; three-of-a-kind cash bonus (Sun.); Loyalty Rake Back promo (40 hours minimum); call for details.
SHOWBOAT ATLANTIC CITY (609) 343-4000 • showboatcasino.com	Daily \$65 (11a, 2a & 7p); nightly \$60 (11p); \$20K starting stack for all tournaments; Fri. & Sat. 7p events pay \$5K guar. with unlimited re-entry for 6 levels.	Harrah's AC multiroom bad-beat jackpot starts at quad queens and decreases every Wednesday if it doesn't get hit.
TROPICANA ATLANTIC CITY (609) 340-4000 • tropicana.net	Daily (\$62, 11:15a & 7:15p), including a Fri. (\$122, 7:15p) and Sat. (\$122, 11:15a & 7:15p); midnight tournaments run Sun.-Thurs. (\$42) & Fri.-Sat. (\$62).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads; "3-8" special promotion jackpot (call for details); tournament bad-beat jackpot is quads over aces full of kings.
TRUMP TAJ MAHAL CASINO RESORT (609) 449-1000 • playtajpoker.com	Daily (\$50-\$230) at 12:15p, 4:15p, 7:15p, & midnight, including two deepstacks on Saturdays (\$230, 7:15p) & (\$120, 4:15p & midnight).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads); high hands are entered into drawings to win \$1K; 50-50 club (call for details).

NEW MEXICO

BUFFALO THUNDER CASINO (505) 455-5555 • buffalothunderresort.com	Tue. (\$40, 6:30p); Fri. & Sat. (\$75, 6:30p); last Sat. of month (\$150, 1p); second Sun. of month, Omaha/8 event, Aug. 11 (\$100, 2p); re-entry event, Aug. 8 (\$40, 2p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Easy Aces Mini Bad Beat pays \$599/\$300/\$75.
HARD ROCK ALBUQUERQUE (505) 724-3800 • hardrockcasinoabq.com	Daily (\$20-\$50) at 2p & 7p, including Fri. & Sat. (\$50, 7p); many tournaments have rebuys and add-ons.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; tournament bad-beat jackpot.
INN OF THE MOUNTAIN GODS (575) 464-7777 • innoftthemountaingods.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$20, noon); Mon.-Fri. satellites (\$60); Sun. (\$55, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot; high-hand jackpots; royals pay \$500; straight flush pays \$250; quad aces pays (\$150); quads pays \$50; call for details.
ROUTE 66 CASINO (505) 352-7866 • rt66casino.com	Daily (\$25-\$55); Mon.-Fri. (11a); Mon. (7p); Tue. & Thurs. (7p); Wed. (11a & 7p); Fri. (11a, 5p, & 8p); Sat. (noon, 5p & 8p); Sun. (7p).	Bad-beat jackpot; Action Aces (Mon.-Fri.); Splash the Pot; \$2K freeroll event (35 hours of live cash poker to qualify, more hours equals larger chip stack).
SANDIA RESORT (505) 796-7500 • sandiacasino.com	Tue. (\$40, 7p); Wed. varies (\$25, 7p) Thurs. (\$50, 7p); Sun. (\$40, noon); Omaha events, 1st & last Wed. of month.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
SANTA ANA STAR CASINO 505-867-0000 • santaanastar.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$30, 11a); Tue. (\$30, 7p); Wed. PLO & Thurs. KO (\$40, 7p); Fri. (\$100, 7p); Sat. (\$40, 11a) & H.O.R.S.E. (\$40, 7p); Sun. Omaha/8 (\$40, 11a) & (\$40, 7p).	Splash the Pot (Mon. & Tue., 8p-midnight); get paid for quads (\$50), straight flush (\$100) and royal flush (\$250).

NEW YORK

SENECA NIAGARA (877) 873-6322 • senecaniagaracasino.com	Mon. KO (\$90, 10a & 7p); Tue. & Thurs. (\$45, 10a & 7p); Wed. (\$55, w/rebuys, 10a & 7p); Fri. (\$55, 10a & \$175, 1p); Sat. (\$230, 11a); Sun. (\$55, 10a & 7p).	Progressive high hands (24/7); get paid for quads (\$25), straight flushes (\$75) and royals (\$100); Summer Slam Series, Aug. 1-4 w/main event, Aug. 3 (\$600, 11a).
SENECA SALAMANCA (877) 860-5130 • senecagames.com	Mon (\$60, 7p); Wed. (\$35, 11a) & (\$60, 7p); Thurs. (\$90, 6p); Fri. (\$35, 6p); Sat. & Sun. (\$60, noon).	Progressive bad beat jackpot in hold'em (quad deuces), Omaha (quad nines) and stud (quad sevens); Preferred Player Rewards (call for details).
TURNING STONE RESORT (800) 386-5366 • turningstone.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$60-\$100) at noon & 7p; Fri. (\$70, 2p & \$90, 7p); Sat. (\$100, 11a & \$125, 7p); Sun. (\$125, 11a & \$70, 7p). Empire State Champ. (Aug. 5-18).	Bad-beat jackpot is in hold'em (quad deuces); royals pay \$100.

NORTH AND SOUTH CAROLINA

HARRAH'S CHEROKEE (N.C.) (828) 497-7777 • harrahscherokee.com	Mon. (\$120, 7p); Tue. (\$60, 7p); Wed. (\$30, midnight); Wed. PLO (\$60, 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 7p); Fri. (\$60, 4p); Sat. (\$120, 10a); Sun. (\$60, 2p).	Call for information.
SUNCRUZ (S.C.) (843) 280-2933 • suncruzaquasino.com	Tuesday (\$220, 7p); daily freerolls (call for schedule).	Bad-beat (aces full of jacks beaten by quads); get paid for quads (\$50), straight flush (\$100) royals (\$200).

OHIO

HOLLYWOOD COLUMBUS (614) 308-3333 • hollywoodcolumbus.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$70, 10:15a); Fri. (\$140, 10:15a); Sat. (\$240, 10:15a); Sun. PLO (\$90, 10:15a); Mon.-Wed. (\$90, 7:15p); Thurs. (\$140, 7:15p).	Call for promotions.
HOLLYWOOD TOLEDO (419) 661-5200 • hollywoodcasinotoledo.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$40, 10:15a); Mon. (\$40, 7:15p); Wed. (\$50, 7:15p); Thurs. KO (\$65, 7:15p); Sun. (\$120, 12:15p).	Call for promotions.
HORSESHOE CINCINNATI (877) 975-3436 • horseshoecincinnati.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot starts at \$10K (call for details).
HORSESHOE CLEVELAND (216) 297-4777 • caesars.com/horseshoecleveland	Mon. (\$200, noon); Wed. (\$200, 7p); Thurs. PLO (\$100 w/re-entry, 7p); last Sunday of the month (\$500, noon).	Call for information.

OKLAHOMA

CHOCTAW RESORT CASINO (580) 920-0160 • choctawcasinos.com	CPPT runs until Aug. 5 w/\$500K guarantee main event, Aug. 1-5 (\$1,620, noon); all other tournaments suspended until after series. See ad Page 37.	\$25K bad-beat jackpot (daily); \$5K Omaha bad-beat jackpot (daily); Early Bird Special (Mon.-Fri.).
COMANCHE NATION (580) 354-2000 • comanchenationcasino.com	Two tournaments a month (call for details).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
DOWNSTREAM CASINO RESORT (918) 919-6000 • downstreamcasino.com	Tue. PLO (\$40 w/\$20 rebuys, 7p); Wed. \$250 added (\$40, 2p); Wed. KO (\$50, 7p); Fri. freeroll (2p) & (\$40, 7p); Sat. MSPT qualifier (\$50, 2p). See ad Page 29.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; tournament bad-beat jackpot; Mid-Stakes Poker Tour, Aug. 30-Sept. 8 (call for schedule).
FIRELAKE GRAND CASINO (405) 964-7263 • firelakegrand.com	Mon. (\$30, 11a & \$30 w/rebuys, 7p); Tue.-Wed. (\$15, 11a & \$50, 7p); Thurs. (\$50, 7p); Fri. (\$30, 11a & \$70, 6p); Sat. (\$120, 2p). See ad Page 42.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
HARD ROCK TULSA (918) 384-6648 • hardrockcasinotulsa.com	Daily; ask about future satellites to major events. See ad Page 43.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; call for updated amount.
INDIGO SKY CASINO 888-992-7591 • indigoskycasino.com	Tue. ante only (\$40, 7p); Wed. mature only (\$35, 2p) & (\$35, 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 7p); Fri. (\$60, 7p); Sat. (\$35, noon) & (\$60, 7p); Sun. Crazy Pineapple (\$35, 3p).	Call for information; Heartland Poker Tour side event in August (call for details).
OSAGE MILLION DOLLAR TULSA (877) 246-8777 • milliondollarelm.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$40, noon); including Mon. PLO (7:30p); Sat. KO (\$60, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
RIVER SPIRIT CASINO (918) 299-8518 • creeknationcasino.com	Sun.-Fri. (\$50, 9:30a); Mon. (\$30 w/rebuys, 7p); Tue. (\$50, 6p); Wed. KO (\$75, 7p); Thurs. & Sun. KO (\$70, 7p); Fri. (\$50 w/\$10 add-on, 7p); Sat. KO (\$70, 9:30a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads); high hands; tournament freeroll (call for details).
RIVERWIND CASINO (405) 322-6000 • riverwindcasino.com	Daily (\$40-\$100) at 11a; Sun.-Thurs. (7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
WINSTAR WORLD CASINO (580) 276-4229 • winstarcasinos.com	Mon. (\$60, 1p & \$115, 7p); Tue. (\$100, 7p); Wed. (\$60, 1p & \$60 w/re-entries, 7p); Thurs. KO (\$115, 1p); Fri. (\$220, 11a); River Series, Aug. 14-Sept. 1; see ad Page 27.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads or better and pays \$20K minimum.

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OREGON

LOCATION	TOURNAMENTS/SPECIAL EVENTS	JACKPOTS/PROMOTIONS
CHINOOK WINDS CASINO (541) 996-5825 • chinookwindscasino.com	Mon. (\$25, 1p); Mon. KO (\$55, 6p); Tue. (\$25, 1p); Wed. (\$45, 1p) & (\$30, 6p); Thurs. KO (\$55, 1p); Fri. (\$50, 1p); Sat. (\$95, 2p); Sun. (\$60, 6p).	Guaranteed Boss Bounty pays \$50-\$200 (Thurs.).
ENCORE CLUB (503) 206-8856 • encoreclub.com	Mon.-Fri (\$25 w/rebuy, noon, 2p & 4p, 10p); (\$30 w/rebuy, 6p); (\$50-\$100, 8p); Sat. freeroll (noon); (\$10K guar., \$90 w/rebuy, 7p); Sun. freeroll (noon).	All weekday tournaments have guaranteed prize pools (see website for details).
SEVEN FEATHERS CASINO (541) 839-1111 • sevenfeathers.com	Events on 1st & 3rd Sat. of month (1:30p); Wed. (\$35, 6p); Fri. freeroll (6p).	Monte Carlo Board (aces full or better) paid daily; \$50 alternating high hands/Aces Cracked hourly (Wed., noon-mid.); \$50/\$100 high hands/half hour (Thurs./Sat.).
SPIRIT MOUNTAIN CASINO (503) 879-2350 • spiritmountain.com	Mon. (\$30, 10:30a); Tue. stud/8 (\$30, 10:30a); Wed. 0/8 (\$30, 10:30a) & (\$25 w/rebuys, 7p); Thurs. (\$30, 10:30a) & (\$90, 7p); Fri. (\$70, noon) & (\$60, 7p); Sat. (\$90, noon).	Spin the Wheel (Fri. & Sat.); Sunday Super High Hands; Monte Carlo Payouts (Mon.-Thurs.).
WILDHORSE RESORT (541) 278-2274 • wildhorseresort.com	Tue. (\$30 w/\$25 rebuy & add-on, 6:30p); Thurs. & Sat. (\$55, 6:30p); Sun. (\$35, 1p).	Call for promotions.

PENNSYLVANIA

HARRAH'S PHILADELPHIA (800) 480-8020 • harrahscasino.com	Daily (\$50-\$225); Sun.-Tue. & Thurs. (11:30a, 6:30p); Wed. (noon); Fri. Double Green Chip Bounty (11:30a); Sat. (11:30a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; WSOP satellite seats awarded (call for details).
HOLLYWOOD PENN NATIONAL (717) 469-2211 • hcpcn.com	Mon. (\$60, 11:15a); Tue.-Thurs. (\$80, 11:15a); Fri.-Sun. (\$100, 11:15a); Mon.-Thurs. (\$60, 7:15p); Sun. KO (\$100, 7:15p); last Sat. of month (\$200, 11:15a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot; progressive straight flush and royal flush jackpots (call for details).
MEADOWS CASINO (724) 503-1200 • meadowsgaming.com	Mon.-Sat. (\$40-\$75, 11a & 7:15p); Fri. & Sat. (\$40, 10:15p); Sun. (\$95, 11:15a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; call for details on additional promotions.
MOHEGAN SUN/POCONO DOWNS (570) 831-2100 • mohegansunpocono.com	Call for tournament schedule.	High-hand promotion (call for details).
PARX CASINO (215) 639-9000 • parxcasino.com	Mon. (\$120, 7p); Tue. (\$120, 7p); Wed. (\$120, noon); Thurs. (\$120, 7p); Sat. (\$230, noon); Sun. (\$80, noon); Big Stax III, Aug. 1-19.	Call for details.
PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS & CASINO (866) 374-3386 • eriecasinoc.com	Mon. (\$75, 7:30p); Wed. (\$50, 7:30p); 2nd Sat. of month (\$125, 12:30p); Deep Stack, 1st & 3rd Fri. of month (\$125, 7:30p); last Sat. of month (\$250, 3:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; \$100 Splash Pot (Mon.-Wed., 11a-11p) every 3hrs.
RIVERS CASINO (412) 231-7777 • theriverscasino.com	Daily (\$50-\$550); Mon.-Sat. (noon & 7p); Sun. (2p & 7p); Pittsburgh Open, Aug. 8-19 w/\$60K guar. main event, Aug. 17 (\$1,100, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of jacks; Hot Seat Sweepstakes, Aug. 28 (11a-10p).
SANDS CASINO BETHLEHEM (877) SANDS-77 • sandsbethworks.com	Mon. & Tue. (\$100, 11a); Thurs. & Sun. (\$100 w/\$25 bounties, 7p); Sat. (\$200, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads.

SOUTH DAKOTA

CADILLAC JACK'S (605) 578-1500 • cadillacjacksresort.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$12 w/\$5 rebuys, 1p); Mon. KO (\$40, 7p); Tue. (\$12 w/\$5 rebuys, 7p); Wed. (\$46, 7p); Thurs. & Sun. (\$22 w/\$10 rebuys, 7p); Sat. (\$22 w/\$10 rebuys, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; full house or better earn stamps on Pink Card (full Pink Card is worth \$25 and can be used for a room, food or slots).
LODGE AT DEADWOOD (605) 578-4800 • deadwoodlodge.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$33-\$55, 6:30p) except Thurs. KO (\$77); Sat. (\$22 w/rebuys, 2p) & (\$55, 8p); Sun. (\$110, 2p); last Sun. of month (\$220, 3p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; half rake on \$2-\$10 or lower games; High Society Challenge (call for details).
SALOON #10 (605) 578-3346 • saloon10.com	Thurs.-Sun. (\$6 w/\$10 rebuy & \$3 add-on, 10:30a) & (\$23 w/\$2 add-on, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot; win \$1K for quad 10s; win 25% of bad-beat jackpot for aces and eights.
SILVERADO FRANKLIN (605) 578-3670 • silveradocasino.com	Tue. & Thurs. (\$88, 6:30p); Sat. (\$22, 3p); Sun. (\$44 w/\$20 add-on, 3p).	Call for promotions.

WASHINGTON

7 CEDARS CASINO (360) 683-7777 • 7cedarsresort.com	Wed. (\$75, 6p); Thurs. Omaha/8 (\$65, 6p); Sat. (\$80, 1p); Sun. (\$65, 6p); \$777 added event, 2nd Fri. of month (\$77, 6p).	Double Hours (Thurs. & Sun.); call for details.
ANGEL OF THE WINDS CASINO (360) 474-9740 • angelofthewinds.com	Daily (\$40, 10a) including Fri. (\$75, 6:30p); Sat. KO (\$60, 6:30p); many tournaments vary between hold'em, Omaha/8 and crazy pineapple (call for schedule).	High hands and bonus high hands (call for details).
CLEARWATER CASINO (360) 598-8700 • clearwatercasino.com	Daily (\$25 w/\$5 rebuys, 11:00a); Mon. Beat the Boss (\$35, 6p); Tue. Poker Pizza & Pints (\$35, 6p); Wed. (\$50 w/\$20 add-on, 6p); Thurs. Mystery KO (\$35, 6p).	Daily Double Jackpot; get paid for quads, straight flush and royals; Lighting Strikes & Thunder Rumbles jackpots; high hands & Pot Splash (Mon., Tue., Thurs.).
LITTLE CREEK CASINO (360) 427-7711 • little-creek.com	Mon. (\$25 w/\$20 rebuy, 7p); Tue. KO (\$35, 7p); Wed. (\$45, 6p); Thurs. (\$55, 7p); Fri. KO (\$35, 6p); Sat. KO (\$35, 5p); Sun. Omaha/8 (\$35, 5p).	Extra tournament chips (two hours of live play required); call for details.
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* SNG = single-table tournaments; all tournaments are no-limit hold'em unless noted. Poker room managers email roth@anteupmagazine.com



Q&A

WITH THE DUKE OF FREMONT

The Duke of Fremont is a world traveler, treasure hunter and poker player from Las Vegas. He's known around Vegas for his love of classic cars, fancy suits and poker. The Duke also hosts a yearly celebrity charity tournament in Las Vegas called Pinstripes and Polka Dots. Our Mike Owens caught up with him to talk about his life.



How long have you lived in Las Vegas? I've lived in Las Vegas a couple of times. I've been in Las Vegas almost 15 years this time.

What's an average day look like for the Duke? I lead a charmed life. For the most part, I can do as I please. It's like living a role in a vintage movie and I'm writing the script. Many days when I arise, I have no plans whatsoever and I go wherever the day leads me. Other days I have commitments, which I take very seriously, and I do what I have to do to fulfill them. An average day usually starts very early, however I generally don't wish to "see and be seen" before late morning.

Was it a difficult journey to get where you are now? Yes. Although I've always been very proud of my family, my heritage and my history, I was born into a family of very modest means. I left home the night I graduated from high school. I then attended the University of Missouri, obtaining a degree in fine arts, majoring in English literature. While attending the university I had several revenue streams in those days. I played poker when I had a bankroll and managed to do quite well. I was a professional drummer and earned a substantial amount of my income performing up to seven nights a week. I was always passionate about toy soldiers, coins and other collectibles, so I also picked up extra cash buying, selling and trading these items.

Upon graduation, I worked a nine-to-five for six months or so, realizing this was not the life for me. I went off to Europe in the fall of 1974 and soon drew the conclusion that the world owed me nothing. Since I wasn't born rich and knew I had to earn a living, I decided I might as well do something I was passionate about. I decided to start my own company and on Jan. 1, 1975, I started Ron Wall Miniatures. I created, sculpted, produced, painted and marketed military miniatures specializing in American military history.

What is your game of choice? Although my game of choice today is \$1-\$2 no-limit Texas Hold'em with no cap, over the years I played many forms of poker: draw poker, five-stud and seven-stud to name a few. I am not known in the tournament world but in the ring-game arena. I usually buy in for massive ridiculous amounts of money and play a very tight game.

Is it true you folded pocket aces preflop once in a big cash game? I'm sure I have. However I've also bet \$30K preflop on the same hand. I believe the longer I play the more conservative I become. A while back another player asked: Duke do you ever gamble? I immediately replied, "Never with my money, only with my life."

Can we talk a little about your cars? I love the late 1930s pre-WWII era. My original vintage cars are from this "Golden Era" of history. The big, voluptuous body, the wide white wall tires, the dual side mounts, the suicide doors, the running boards, and fancy chrome hood ornaments are but a few of the items that make these elegant rides so sexy, but classy at the same time. That's a tough combination. I currently own a 1936 LaSalle and a 1938 Buick Century.

Can you tell us about your Pinstripes and Polka Dots charity tournament? This year the third annual event will fall on Oct. 25. The doors will open at 6 p.m. and the action will begin at 8. It's a celebrity event and there will be a bounty on all the "Chosen Familia" celebrities, such as WSOP champion **Tom McEvoy**, poker player extraordinaire **JJ. Liu**, former Chicago Bulls basketball star **Michael Brown**, and **Mark Hall Patton**, administrator for many museums and authenticator celebrity for *Pawn Stars* to name a few. For a modest \$100 entry fee, you can be a part of this exciting Downtown, Las Vegas tradition and be assured a substantial amount of the buy-ins and rebuys benefit the Clark County Museum Guild.

What would you recommend someone to see while they are in Las Vegas? Everyone will have a different tale to tell after visiting Las Vegas. Though I love the entire valley, I highly recommend visiting downtown to see the "New Old Vegas."

Do you have any advice for our readers to improve their bankroll-management skills? Don't get discouraged. Poker is a tough proposition at best. I've been playing the game for over four decades and still consider it a challenge even when I'm on my game. As I've said many times before: I'm not the worst poker player in Las Vegas; I'm the worst poker player in Las Vegas that still has a bankroll. ♠

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