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ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PREVIEW

# \$1 MILLION!

The beautiful Thunder Valley Casino Resort in Lincoln, Calif., hosts our signature event July 21-Aug. 7 and promises record guarantees!



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VOLPE GETS BPO WIN

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HISTORIC HAWKINS

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POKER TOUR  
**WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP**

AT THUNDER VALLEY CASINO RESORT

**JULY 21 - AUGUST 7**

**\$1,000,000**  
**IN GUARANTEED PAYOUTS!**  
**20 EVENTS | 18 DAYS | \$500K CHAMPIONSHIP**

Thu, 7/21 • 4PM	1A			
1	Fri, 7/22 • 11AM	1B	<b>\$100,000 GUARANTEED</b>	<b>100K CATAPULT</b>
	4PM	1C		
Sat, 7/23 • 11AM	1D			
	4PM	1E		
Sun, 7/24 • 1PM	Day 2	FINAL		
	11AM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 EARN ENTRY INTO EVENT #9 \$425 MONOLITH		\$100
2	7PM	\$10,000 GUARANTEED NLH KNOCKOUT   \$50 BOUNTIES		\$150
3	Mon, 7/25 • 11AM	\$10,000 GUARANTEED NLH   NO ANTES		\$125
4	5PM	\$10,000 GUARANTEED NLH		\$125
	11AM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 EARN ENTRY INTO EVENT #9 \$425 MONOLITH		\$100
5	Tue, 7/26 • 11AM	\$10,000 GUARANTEED NLH ESCALATOR		\$155
6	5PM	\$10,000 GUARANTEED SIX HANDED HOLD'EM		\$155
7	Wed, 7/27 • 11AM	BANKROLL BUILDER 12% of the field receive \$1,000		\$140
8	5PM	\$10,000 GUARANTEED OMAHA 8		\$155
	8PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 EARN ENTRY INTO EVENT #9 \$425 MONOLITH		\$100
	Thu, 7/28 • 11AM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 10 EARN ENTRY INTO EVENT #9 \$425 MONOLITH		\$55
	1PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 EARN ENTRY INTO EVENT #9 \$425 MONOLITH		\$100
	8PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 EARN ENTRY INTO EVENT #9 \$425 MONOLITH		\$100

\$100 SINGLE-TABLE SATELLITES • JULY 26 • 2 IN 10 WIN ENTRY INTO EVENT #9 \$425 MONOLITH  
 \$365 SINGLE-TABLE SATELLITES • JUL 31 - AUG 6 • 2 IN 10 WIN A \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY

Thu, 7/28 • 4PM	Day 1A	<b>\$250,000 GUARANTEED</b>	<b>MONOLITH</b>	\$425
Fri, 7/29 • 11AM	Day 1B			
9 4PM	Day 1C			
Sat, 7/30 • 11AM	Day 1D			
Sun, 7/31 • 11AM	Day 2	<b>FINAL</b>		

Sun, 7/31 • 11AM	STEP SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 WIN A \$365 ENTRY	10 \$365 CHAMPIONSHIP SATELLITE ENTRIES GTD	\$85
Sun, 7/31 • 1PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 WIN A \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY	10 \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRIES GUARANTEED	\$365
10 Sun, 7/31 • 7PM	\$10,000 GUARANTEED NLH KNOCKOUT BOUNTY   \$50 BOUNTIES		\$150
11 Mon, 8/1 • 11AM	\$5,000 GUARANTEED H.O.R.S.E.		\$155
1PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 6 WIN ENTRY INTO EVENT #12 ACTION 8 \$100,000 GUARANTEED		\$50
8PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 6 WIN ENTRY INTO EVENT #12 ACTION 8 \$100,000 GUARANTEED		\$50
Tue, 8/2 • 1PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 6 WIN ENTRY INTO EVENT #12 ACTION 8 \$100,000 GUARANTEED		\$50

Mon, 8/1 • 5PM	Day 1A	<b>\$100,000 GUARANTEED</b>	<b>ACTION 8</b>	\$250
12 Tue, 8/2 • 11AM	Day 1B			
5PM	Day 1C			
Wed, 8/3 • 5PM	Day 2	<b>FINAL</b>		

Tue, 8/2 • 8PM	STEP SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 WIN A \$365 ENTRY	10 \$365 CHAMPIONSHIP SATELLITE ENTRIES GTD	\$85
13 Wed, 8/3 • 11AM	P.L.O. 8   TWO (2) FREE BUYS INCLUDED		\$155
1PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 4 WIN ENTRY INTO EVENT #15 \$400 HEADS UP CHAMPIONSHIP	4 \$400 HEADS UP CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRIES GUARANTEED *LIMITED ENTRIES AVAILABLE	\$115
14 5PM	\$20,000 GUARANTEED SIX HANDED HOLD'EM		\$340
8PM	STEP SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 WIN A \$365 ENTRY	10 \$365 CHAMPIONSHIP SATELLITE ENTRIES GTD	\$85

15 Thu, 8/4 • 11AM	<b>HEADS UP CHAMPIONSHIP</b>		\$400
2 DAY EVENT	BRACKET DRAW • 11AM   FREE BREAKFAST BUFFET   CARDS IN THE AIR AT 12NOON		
11AM	STEP SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 WIN A \$365 ENTRY	10 \$365 CHAMPIONSHIP SATELLITE ENTRIES GTD	\$85
1PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 10 WIN A \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY		\$185
5PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 WIN A \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY	10 \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRIES GUARANTEED	\$365
8 PM	STEP SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 WIN A \$365 ENTRY	10 \$365 CHAMPIONSHIP SATELLITE ENTRIES GTD	\$85
Fri, 8/5 • 11AM	STEP SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 WIN A \$365 ENTRY	10 \$365 CHAMPIONSHIP SATELLITE ENTRIES GTD	\$85
1PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 10 WIN A \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY		\$185
5PM	MULTI-TABLE SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 WIN A \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY	20 \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRIES GUARANTEED	\$365
8 PM	MULTI-TABLE TURBO SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 WIN A \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY	10 \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRIES GUARANTEED	\$365
Sat, 8/6 • 10AM	LAST CHANCE TURBO SATELLITE - 1 IN 5 WIN A \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY	5 \$1,650 ANTE UP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRIES GUARANTEED	\$365

Fri, 8/5 • 11AM	Day 1A	<b>\$500,000 GUARANTEED</b>	<b>ANTE UP POKER TOUR</b>	\$1,650
16 Sat, 8/6 • 11AM	Day 1B			
Sun, 8/7 • 12Noon	Day 2 Final			

17 Sun, 8/7 • 11AM	\$10,000 GUARANTEED NLH		\$155
18 1PM	NLH - SENIOR EVENT		\$125
19 3PM	DEEG POKER OFC PINEAPPLE	<b>DEEG POKER</b>	\$235
20 7PM	NLH KNOCKOUT   \$25 BOUNTIES		\$100

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Most of the time it's spam or solicitors, occasionally it's a request to sign a poorly thought-out poker petition, sometimes it's fan mail, which we love, and other times it's just someone who thinks they have the next great poker idea.

We have a responsibility to sift through all of the emails, letters and phone messages, but ultimately that responsibility is to our great pastime, the industry and its players.

That's precisely why we carve out this little corner of the magazine each month, just in case something arises that we must address.

While we certainly don't want to encourage more spam or knee-jerk emails, we thought it might be a good time to remind you how and why to reach out to us. And by "us" we don't mean just Chris and Scott.

When reporting from their regions, our dedicated ambassadors do their best to keep their fingers on the pulse of their local poker scenes, but they can't be everywhere. That's where you come in.

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Find your ambassador on the right side of this page and send them an email with all of the details so this news might get its proper recognition.

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— Christopher Cosenza and Scott Long

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**June 9 - 12, August 11-14,  
October 13-16 & December 8-11**

**Thursday**

**10am-10pm**

**\$65 Single Table Satellites**  
*2-winners of  
\$250 in Cash Value Chips*

**Noon & 7pm**

**\$50 Turbo Super Satellite  
with \$20 Rebuys**  
*5 Seats Guaranteed*

**4pm**

**\$100 Seniors Event**  
No Limit Hold'em

**Friday**

**8am-10pm**

**\$65 Single Table Satellites**  
*2-winners of  
\$250 in Cash Value Chips*

**Noon**

**\$50 Turbo Super Satellite  
with \$20 Rebuys**  
*5 Seats Guaranteed*

**7pm**

**Day 1A \$225 Buy-in**  
*\$25,000 Guaranteed*

**Saturday**

**8am-5pm**

**\$65 Single Table Satellites**  
*2-winners of  
\$250 in Cash Value Chips*

**11am**

**Day 1B \$225 Buy-in**  
*\$25,000 Guaranteed*

**6pm**

**Day 1C \$225 Buy-in**  
*\$25,000 Guaranteed*

**Sunday**

**Noon**

**Day 2 Restart**  
*\$25,000 Guaranteed*

**9am-6pm**

**Drawings**

*9am • \$500*

*11am, 1pm, 3pm & 5pm • \$100*

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The Up the Ante Poker Room is home to the Ante Up World Championship.

# \$1 million up for grabs

The Ante Up World Championship guarantees \$1M in prize pools at Thunder Valley Casino Resort.

By Scott Long

**B**igger. Bigger. BIGGER.

In every way, the 2016 Ante Up World Championship at Thunder Valley Casino Resort will be bigger than in years past. Longer, more events, more flights, more satellites and, most of all, more guaranteed money. More than \$1 million to be exact.

“The 2016 Ante Up World Championship is a culmination of what has been tested and tried since we jumped into this arena in 2012,” said **Ben Erwin**, director of poker for Thunder Valley in Lincoln, Calif., just north of Sacramento.

“Over the years, working hand in hand with the players, we have offered a wide range of games, buy-ins, and guarantees. This experience has yielded some amazing events. This process brings us to the 2016 Ante Up World

Championship. It’s time to push Northern California poker to take the next step and offer a schedule that is unlike any ever seen in this region.”

The 20-event schedule spans three weekends from July 21 through Aug. 7, with the highlight being the \$1,650 main event, which sports its biggest guarantee ever, \$500K. The event has expanded to two starting flights. The champion gets not only what stands to be a significant amount of cash, but also their photo on the cover of *Ante Up* and a personalized world champion jacket.

“Although the single-flight main event was one of the deepest \$1,650 around, the single flight limited players’ availability to participate,” Erwin said. “The two-flight main event Aug. 5-7 will open up the event to a larger audience and provides increased value with the half-million-dollar

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## Ante Up World Championship schedule

For more details, including structures and satellites, visit [AnteUpMagazine.Com/worldchampionship](http://AnteUpMagazine.Com/worldchampionship):

- July 21, 4 p.m.** - EVENT 1 DAY 1A: \$155 Catapult (\$100K guarantee)
- July 22, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 1 DAY 1B: \$155 Catapult (\$100K guarantee)
- July 22, 4 p.m.** - EVENT 1 DAY 1C: \$155 Catapult (\$100K guarantee)
- July 23, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 1 DAY 1D: \$155 Catapult (\$100K guarantee)
- July 23, 4 p.m.** - EVENT 1 DAY 1E: \$155 Catapult (\$100K guarantee)
- July 24, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 1 DAY 2
- July 24, 7 p.m.** - EVENT 2: \$150 KO (\$50 bounties, \$10K guarantee)
- July 25, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 3: \$125 NLHE (\$10K guarantee)
- July 25, 5 p.m.** - EVENT 4: \$125 NLHE (\$10K guarantee)
- July 26, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 5: \$155 Escalator (\$10K guarantee)
- July 26, 5 p.m.** - EVENT 6: \$155 Six-Max (\$10K guarantee)
- July 27, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 7: \$140 Bankroll Builder
- July 27, 5 p.m.** - EVENT 8: \$155 Omaha/8 (\$10K guarantee)
- July 28, 4 p.m.** - EVENT 9 DAY 1A: \$425 Monolith (\$250K guarantee)
- July 29, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 9 DAY 1B: \$425 Monolith (\$250K guarantee)
- July 29, 4 p.m.** - EVENT 9 DAY 1C: \$425 Monolith (\$250K guarantee)
- July 30, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 9 DAY 1D: \$425 Monolith (\$250K guarantee)
- July 31, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 9 DAY 2
- July 31, 7 p.m.** - EVENT 10: \$150 KO (\$50 bounties, \$10K guarantee)
- Aug. 1, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 11: \$155 HORSE (\$5K guarantee)
- Aug. 1, 5 p.m.** - EVENT 12 DAY 1A: \$250 Action 8 (\$100K guarantee)
- Aug. 2, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 12 DAY 1B: \$250 Action 8 (\$100K guarantee)
- Aug. 2, 5 p.m.** - EVENT 12 DAY 1C: \$250 Action 8 (\$100K guarantee)
- Aug. 3, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 13: \$155 Pot-limit Omaha/8 (two free buys)
- Aug. 3, 5 p.m.** - EVENT 12 DAY 2
- Aug. 3, 5 p.m.** - EVENT 14: \$340 Six-Max (\$20K guarantee)
- Aug. 4, noon** - EVENT 15: \$400 Heads-Up Championship
- Aug. 5, 11 a.m.** - MAIN EVENT DAY 1A: \$1,650 (\$500K guarantee)
- Aug. 6, 11 a.m.** - MAIN EVENT DAY 1B: \$1,650 (\$500K guarantee)
- Aug. 7, noon** - MAIN EVENT DAY 2
- Aug. 7, 11 a.m.** - EVENT 17: \$155 NLHE (\$10K guarantee)
- Aug. 7, 1 p.m.** - EVENT 18: \$125 Seniors
- Aug. 7, 3 p.m.** - EVENT 19: \$235 DEEG Poker OFC Pineapple
- Aug. 7, 7 p.m.** - EVENT 20: \$100 Knockout (\$25 bounties)



## About Thunder Valley Casino Resort

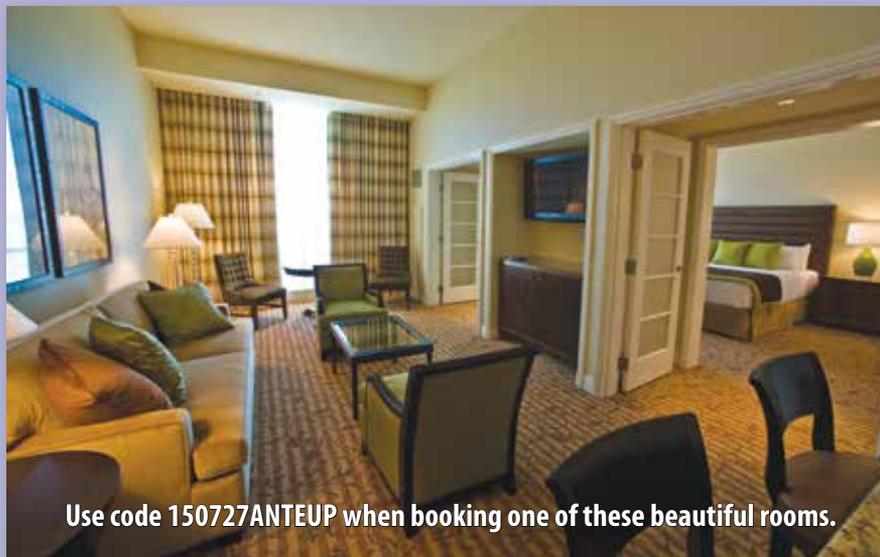
Thunder Valley Casino Resort is a AAA Four Diamond Resort, featuring a Las Vegas-style casino, well-appointed guest rooms, a spa, and plenty of restaurants, bars and entertainment venues to keep players entertained when away from the poker table.

**HOTEL:** The 300 oversized rooms and suites feature marble bathrooms with separate soaking tubs, 320-thread-count linens, wireless Internet and LCD flatscreen televisions. Discount room rates of \$99 Sunday-Thursday and \$179.99 Friday-Saturday are available by using code 150727ANTEUP.

**CASINO:** The 144,500-square-foot casino features all of the popular slot machines and table games and recently added bingo.

**SPA:** The Spa at Thunder Valley is the ultimate spot for pampering, featuring a wide menu of services, including a steam room and sauna that's complimentary for all hotel guests.

**RESTAURANTS:** High Steaks Steakhouse is the class of an impressive list of din-



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ing options, which also includes the Red Lantern Asian restaurant, a buffet, food court and a relaxing cafe.

**BARS AND ENTERTAINMENT:** Five bars and lounges, including Illusions ultra lounge, offer a variety of ways to wind down after a day at the tables, with spots for quiet drinks or places to dance

the night away. The Summer Concert Series brings top-name acts to an outdoor amphitheater and indoor special events range from music to acrobatics to sports. And when it's hot outside, don't forget about the pool and hot tub, which offers private cabanas and food and drink service.

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guarantee for the traveling player."

World Poker Tour Executive Director **Matt Savage** will oversee the main event.

"Matt has been instrumental in our growth and continuous improvement as a WPT partner," Erwin said. "His participation in the event is sincerely appreciated."

Three other multflight events will be featured, including the \$100K guarantee \$155 Catapult that kicks off the series with five flights, the \$250K guarantee four-flight \$425 Monolith on the second weekend and the \$100K guarantee three-flight Action 8, where 8 percent of each flight advances to Day 2.

"The Catapult is the smallest buy-in for a \$100K guarantee tournament in our region and will draw well over 1,000 players yet again to kick off the series," Erwin said. "The Monolith name is new, but the event is not. This has become one of our signature events. The tournament averages over 800 entries and produces a prize pool that is often well over \$300K.

"The Action 8 is a new event and offers a unique structure. The event will be played eight-handed, with a 20K starting stack and antes begin in Level 1."

Two six-handed hold'em events and three bounty events are on the schedule, as are some other hold'em variations, including a \$155 Escalator (levels get longer), a \$140 Bankroll Builder

(12 percent of field each gets \$1K), a \$125 seniors event and the \$400 Heads Up Championship, which features a breakfast buffet and bracket draw party.

Non-hold'em events include \$155 Omaha/8, \$155 HORSE, \$155 pot-limit Omaha/8 with two free buys and the \$235 DEEG Poker OFC Pineapple event.

Players looking to get into a variety of events as inexpensively as possible will appreciate the expansive satellite schedule for Events 9, 12, 15 and the main event, most with a combination of multitable and single-table options. Buy-ins range from \$50 to \$365 and many have guaranteed seats.

Also new this year is a Player of the Series race, which will be separate from the points all cashers earn in the Ante Up Poker Tour Player of the Year race. The points structure has a multiplier effect that will benefit players who cash in multiple events, which should encourage more entries across the board.

"The series points will count for all 15 preliminary events and the winner will be awarded a \$1,650 Ante Up World Championship entry," Erwin said. "The final prelim is the Heads-Up Championship on Aug. 4 and we increased the points for that event by 25 percent. That increase should keep the series title in reach for a good number of the participants and add to the excitement of a heads-up event. We're looking forward to watching the competition unfold for this title." ♠



**Matt Savage**

# KUMAR EARNS \$80K IN NORCAL

Thunder Valley Casino Resort in Lincoln, Calif., hosted the World Poker Tour DeepStacks series April 9-18 with a \$250K guarantee for the \$1,100 main event. The series saw a slew of players attend, including more than 400 for the main event, which **Jasthi Kumar** of San Ramon won. He pocketed \$80K and a \$3K championship package after defeating **James Gorham** of Vista. Gorham earned \$56K for runner-up. The rest of the final table was **Theo Tran** of Las Vegas (third, \$36K), **Adam Curzhack** of Petaluma (fourth, \$27K), **Larissa Bushman** of San Jose (fifth, \$20K), **David Forster** of Oakland (sixth, \$16K), **Robert Pacleb** of Vallejo (seventh, \$13K), **Eugene Schwartz** (eighth, \$10K) and **Jimmy Zeledon** of San Jose (ninth, \$8K).



**BAY 101:** The Summer Madness series has six events from June 7-12, opening with a \$350 event. The second tourney is \$350 limit June 8. June 9 is a \$350 deepstack while June 10 will be a \$350 deepstack turbo. The largest event will be \$560 June 11. The series rounds out with \$350 Omaha/8 on June 12.

**JACKSON RANCHERIA CASINO RESORT:** This poker room has some amazing tournaments and promotions for players in June. The main tournament is a \$5K guarantee June 12 at 1 p.m. There are Hot Seat Drawings every Monday from 7:30 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. and Big Wheel Stack Attack on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Also, if you play in the poker room, you can earn free slot play. Call the poker room for details.

**TACHI PALACE:** The Summer Super Series kicks off this month with \$60 satellites on June 4 and June 25 for the Aug. 27 \$280 main event, which sports a \$15K guarantee.

Other satellites will be July 2, July 30, Aug. 6, Aug. 13 and Aug. 20. See the ad on Page 36 for more details.

## PACIFIC NORTHWEST

**FINAL TABLE POKER CLUB:** The Portland Open on April 30, which had a \$300 buy-in and a \$100K guarantee, was a big success with 240 entrants and a prize pool of \$118K. **Rich Bak** won the event in a chop for \$22K.

**WILDHORSE RESORT:** The \$40K-added Spring Round Up completed April 17 with **Charlie Prom** of Portland winning the overall championship by virtue of winning Events 2 and 8. Here are the winners: **Lisa Meredith** of Vancouver, Wash., (Event 1, \$11K), Prom (Event 2, \$19K), **Michael St. Pierre** of Spokane (Event 3, shootout, \$8K), **Steve Chanthabouasy** of Happy Valley, Ore., (Event 4, Omaha/8, \$9K), **Ted Naff** of Bremerton, Wash.,

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## MEET BRANDON BARNETTE

**Brandon Barnette** is a dual-rate supervisor at Pechanga Resort and Casino in Temecula, Calif., where he has worked in poker for more than eight years. He got his start in the gaming industry as a table-games dealer.



When he was in high school, he used to play poker at his friend's house and they pretended they were playing on the biggest stage. When he started working at a casino, he began to play more and over time became hooked on the game. In 2015, he was lucky enough to actually play on the biggest stage in poker, the World Series of Poker. Not only did he play in Event 1, the Casino Employees tourney, he won it. He made it past 687 players to earn the first bracelet of that WSOP season.

Before his WSOP win, he considered himself more of a cash-game player, but now wants to focus on tournaments.

"Both are great, but they are different animals for sure," he said. Barnette loves the competitive atmosphere and the strategic aspects of the game. "I like that you constantly have to be thinking."

Playing at the final table of a WSOP event is the most unique experience he has had. He played competitive roller hockey for 18 years all over the world and still continues to play. When he isn't working, playing poker or spending time with his family, he's a scratch golfer and plays quite a bit. He also referees ice hockey occasionally.

— **Kittie Aleman**

(Event 5, HORSE, \$6K), **Victor Acevedo** of Beaverton, Ore., (Event 6, \$3K), **Michael Koons** of Kennewick, Wash., (Event 7, seniors, \$12K), Prom (Event 8, high roller, \$19K), **Kaylan Tangermann** of Phoenix (Event 9, \$11K), **Steve Dunning** (Event 10, \$22K), **Monty Ford** of Wellpinit, Wash., winning the two-day main event (\$38K) and **Rick Martinez** of Pendleton (Event 12, \$3K). Wildhorse runs a smaller version of the Round Up on July 20-24. Call for details.

**CLOSING:** After nearly 40 years of being the leading non-tribal poker room in the Seattle area, Diamond Lil's closed April 25. Most of the management team, supervisors and dealers have moved just south to reopen the 15-table Fortune Poker Room in Renton.

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# SUMMER LAS VEGAS SERIES PART II

The Wynn Summer Classic runs June 2-July 19. The staple of the series is a \$400 event that starts at noon most weekdays during the series. This tournament has a \$50K guarantee. Some days feature a \$550 event with a \$100K guarantee. Both are one-day tournaments.

There are several multi-starting flight events. The first starts June 15 with four starting flights. It has a \$1,100 buy-in and \$500K guarantee. A three-starting flight, \$600 tournament starts July 5 and offers a \$250K guarantee.

The \$1,600 championship has two starting days beginning July 16 and will finish with Day 3 on July 19. The guarantee is \$750K.

The \$600 seniors event starts at 11 a.m. June 13 and offers a \$100K guarantee. It will be completed the next day.

Pot-limit Omaha players get their chance on June 12 with a \$400, one-day tournament offering a \$25K guarantee. There's also a \$400 Survivor on June 3. About 7 percent of the field will get \$5K each and the total guarantee is \$50K.

Meanwhile, the \$250K Signature Weekend was completed April 24. **James Agate** of Las Vegas took home the \$45K first-place prize. **Eugene Tito** of Los Angeles received \$39K for second and **Nicolas Egarhos** of Apollo Beach, Fla., claimed \$37K for third. There were nearly 600 entrants and a prize pool of almost \$313K.

**ARIA:** The Aria Classic runs June 2-July 6. The highlight will be the return of the WPT500. The event will be completed before the WSOP main event gets under way.

After seven regular Day 1s beginning June 27 that start at 10 a.m., there will be two turbo Day 1s on July 4, one at 10 a.m. and one at 5 p.m.

In past years, the last few Day 1 flights have had overflow turnouts, so it's recommended that players enter the earliest starting flight possible.

Everyone who survives Day 1 will be in the money. Day 2 resumes at 1 p.m. on July 5, with the final table being streamed on July 6. This huge event has a \$1 million guarantee.

Before the WPT500 gets started, most days feature a \$375 tournament at 11 a.m. Evenings will feature a \$240 event at 7. The evening tournament will continue when the WPT500 starts as well.

On June 10, there's a \$450 PLO event at 11 a.m., and on June 25 a PLO/8 tournament will run at the same time.

A \$450 Omaha/8 event runs June 18. The \$450 seniors tournament is June 16 at 10 a.m. while the women have their day on July 6 with a \$375 event at 11 a.m.

**BELLAGIO:** The Bellagio Cup is July 13-19. A \$1,090 super-satellite for entry into the main event kicks things off at noon on July 13. The next day, the \$10,400 tournament gets started. It will run five days, finishing on July 18.

Players may enter as late as 3:30 p.m. on Day 3. Turbo super-satellites for \$1,100 run at 8 a.m. on July 14-16.

The other event during this series is a three-day \$2,140 Se-

niors Summer Championship that begins on July 17.

**HOLLYWOOD POKER OPEN:** The season-ending championship event returns to the M Resort on June 23-26. The \$2,500 main event has two starting flights beginning at 11 a.m. on June 23.

The tournament plays three days. Satellites with a \$235 buy-in run June 23-24. A \$555 seniors championship will be June 25. Once again, 2003 WSOP main-event champion **Chris Moneymaker** is the event's ambassador.

**TREASURE ISLAND:** The mid-Strip room has been running a Get Paid to Play promotion. Players who play 60 hours during the week get \$599 cash.

It's \$450 for 50 hours, \$325 for 40 hours, \$225 for 30 hours, \$125 for 20 hours and \$50 for 10 hours of live play.

Additionally, a \$1K freeroll runs Sundays for the top 10 point-finishers each week. Points are earned for high hands, hours played and for playing in live games after tournaments.

The main cash game is \$1-\$3 NLHE with a \$100 minimum, \$500 maximum buy-in.

They also offer a \$2-\$5 game with a \$200 min and no max. The \$3-\$6 limit game has a \$60 min and has a maximum rake of \$3. Players in all cash games get \$2 an hour in comps.

High hands are \$200 for straight flushes and \$599 for royals. There's a mini-bad-beat jackpot for aces full of 10s beaten by quads or better. The losing hand receives \$1K, the winning hand gets \$500 and all players who were dealt in the hand at the table receive \$50.

The room runs four tournaments a day. At 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., it's a \$65 buy-in for 8K chips. At 2 p.m. and 10 p.m., it's \$75 for 12K chips. The 2 p.m. has a \$500 guarantee and the 10 p.m. guarantees \$1K.

The \$65 version is Saturday nights (Sunday mornings) at 1 a.m. All tournaments have 20-minute levels.

There are two weekly tournament leaderboards. Points are reward for dollars won in each tournament. The top prize for the daytime leaderboard (the 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.) is \$250. For the two evening tournaments, it's \$500. Both leaderboards pay 10 places.

**SOUTH POINT HOTEL AND CASINO:** If you're close to qualifying, there's still time to get your 100 hours of play for the \$155K June Freeroll. Qualifying ends May 31. First place pays \$35K and the tournament pays 60 spots.

An interesting feature has been added to this event. If the tournament is played down to one player, instead of there being a chop, which has grown popular these days, the winner will get another \$5K as a Last Man Standing bonus.

**GOLDEN NUGGET:** The Grand Series runs May 31-July 3, including multiple seniors events during Seniors Week, featuring a \$10K buy-in Seniors Super High Roller on June 26 presented by Oklahoma **Johnny Hale**.

**CLOSING:** The poker room at downtown's Plaza Casino closed. The room had five electronic tables.

— Check out Rob Solomon's blog at [robvegaspoker.blogspot.com](http://robvegaspoker.blogspot.com).





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# QUANTUM TOURNEYS GAINING POPULARITY

Quantum tournaments, the Bicycle Casino's trademarked and patented structure offering different buy-ins, multiple start times and varying starting stacks to create a large prize pool, is branching out to other Southern California poker rooms and into Las Vegas. Quantum tournaments allow players different options to enter a tournament.

April saw several tournaments in the SoCal area giving players a lot of options for play with larger prize pools and payouts.



**Tony Zand** of Oceanside took down the Pala event that ran April 7-10. This event had three buy-in options. April 7 was a \$75 buy-in with a 10K stack and the top 10 percent advanced to Day 2. April 8-9 had two flights each day for a \$125 buy-in with a 15K stack and the top 15 percent from each flight advanced to Day 2. April 10 was Day 2 and had a buy-in of \$500 with a starting stack of 110K. This event attracted 275 entries for a prize pool of \$32K. Zand qualified on Thursday for \$75 and took home \$4,500.

**OCEAN'S 11:** The San Diego Classic also used the Quantum format and drew 778 entries. This event featured three Day 1 options with two flights each day with a \$240 buy-in for 15K chips. The top 15 percent from each of these flights advanced to Day 2. Some players bought in to Day 2 for \$1,500 and received 100K chips. The prize pool grew to \$199,464, almost doubling the estimated \$100K guarantee.



**Robert DeAgazio** won the title and \$23,813. He had some tough competition down the stretch, including 2012 WPT Legends of Poker champion **Joshua Hale** (fourth, \$19,465).

This was only DeAgazio's second live tournament result, having finished 32nd in a \$100K guarantee at Ocean's 11 in 2009.

**BIKE:** The Summer Series will run June 1-30. This event will offer 21 events with buy-ins \$75-\$1,900.

There will be a variety of games, including Omaha/8, HORSE and NLHE. Satellites will run throughout the series. For more information, go to bike.com.

**HARRAH'S SOCIAL:** One lucky player will be going to Alaska aboard an Ante Up Poker Cruise out of Seattle. The Valley Center, Calif., casino is including one Ante Up Poker Cruise package for two for the Aug. 26 sailing as part of \$10,000 in prizes to be given away during its Cash and Splash drawing on June 25. Players can earn drawing tickets all through June by playing in cash games.

## RENO

**PEPPERMILL RESORT SPA CASINO:** Since *Ante Up* released this issue early, there may still be time for you to enter the Run it Up Reno event hosted by **Jason Somerville**. The series, which is May 24-30 and has a variety of events, sports a \$565 main event with a \$150K guarantee. Somerville also will host a poker seminar, so call the poker room for details. ♠



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# GETAWAY CLASSIC ROCKS IN ARIZONA

Talking Stick Resort recently concluded its Getaway Classic Series on April 15 as 254 players entered the \$200 event and 30 places were paid. The final 17 chopped the prize pool as five players took home \$1,908, 11 players received \$2,208 and chipleader **Maher Achour** cashed for \$3,708.

April 16 saw 285 players compete in a \$300 event to generate \$75,525 prize pool. **Patrick Colceri, Lorenzo Azzi, Michael Walker** and **Patricia Lirot** chopped for \$10,394 each. The final event (April 17) was another \$300 tourney with \$100 bounties. There were 209 players with 20 spots taking home money. The top four agreed on a chop in which **Steven Walker, Jeffrey McFarlane** and **Robert Walp** each made \$3,500 and **Thomas Duncan** pocketed \$7,627. A reminder for all of the players inside and outside the state of Arizona: The 12th annual Arizona State Poker Championship runs Aug. 12-16.



**HON-DAH:** Congratulations to the latest Tournament of Champions winner **Stan Malaney**.

**VEE QUIVA HOTEL & CASINO:** A high-hand promotion runs daily from 4 a.m.-9 a.m. with the highest hand each hour receiving \$100. Royal flushes are progressive as hold'em players using both hole cards to make a royal will win between \$200 and \$3K. Quads and straight flushes are progressive, too. Bad-beat jackpots are always in play and players that get their aces cracked have a chance to spin a wheel to win \$300. With plenty of tournaments and sports splash pots, there's always something happening in the Play Poker room at VQ.

**WILD HORSE PASS HOTEL & CASINO:** Four tables are splashed with \$50 for every run in televised Diamondbacks games. Rolling Cash Fever drawings happen every odd numbered hour throughout the week and often reach \$2K.

If you happen to make a royal using both hole cards, you'll win \$100 and your table will be splashed \$100. There's a full slate of tournaments each week with a \$5K freeroll every two weeks for the players that qualify by playing at least 20 hours of live poker. There are still Aces Cracked, daily high hands and bad-beat jackpots.

## OKLAHOMA

**HARD ROCK CASINO:** The RunGoodGear.com Series ran May 3-7 but tournament results weren't available at press. This 14-table room features \$2-\$5 and \$5-\$10 PLO, \$10-\$20 Omaha, \$2-\$5 NLHE and \$6-\$12 with a kill Omaha/8. Commonly found are \$1-\$2 PLO and \$1-\$2 and \$2-\$5 NLHE, plus

## MEET MEGAN ROE



**Megan Roe**, for the past six years, has had the unique title of coaching partner in the poker room at Ameristar Black Hawk in Colorado. She's responsible for the auditions and training of the dealers, handles rules changes, house policy and interfaces with gaming over bad beats and various rules changes.

She's a team member for dealer reviews along with surveillance and teaches gaming and house rules to new employees. Roe arrived in Colorado from Michigan via Boston and landed on Sept. 10, 2001, the day before 9/11. She started in valet parking at the Lodge then moved across the street to Ameristar as a slot attendant for 1.5 years, slot supervisor for 2.5 years and then dealer and floor for poker for 11 years.

She plays poker, but never thought she'd like it until she tried it. Her biggest accomplishment was the journey from novice to winning player. Her favorite hand is pocket fours. Why? It was her first quads. She has not yet played nor dealt in the WSOP, but maybe someday. Roe also has dealt nine large bad beats.

Much of her free time is spent with her pets; two dogs (Zena and Batman), B.J. the cat and Darryl and Cham von D, who are sugar gliders. Now that's quite a menagerie.  
— **Dick Stein**

look for \$50 splash pots each hour from 2-7 p.m. for Tuesday night \$4-\$8 limit or bigger games.

**CHOCTAW CASINO DURANT:** This 30-table room sports bad-beat jackpots for hold'em and Omaha. Daily tournament chip bonuses for pretournament cash players, early bird specials (first 20 players buy in for \$80 and get a \$20 bonus), high limit (\$2-\$5 players who play three hours receive \$99 once per day) and hot-seat drawings. In April, **Kim Dao** collected \$286,402 for winning the \$1,620 Poker Night in America main event. She overcame a field of more than 1K runners. On the horizon, the World Poker Tour makes a stop here July 14-Aug. 1.

**INDIGO SKY CASINO:** Closed Mondays, this room continues to offer a range of weekly tournaments, including \$35 crazy pineapple on Sundays and others include bounty and seniors. Max buy-in is \$65 for the Saturday bounty.

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# LOTS GOING ON IN COLORADO POKER

The Black Hawk poker rooms have been busy. The Amistar Casino has blown the socks off players with three new promotions, including a free buffet for 50 tier point earned Monday-Thursday until June 30. There are restrictions so be sure to call for details.

Also, a \$25K descending bad beat runs Monday-Thursday with the starting qualifier being aces full of kings, descending every day until hit.

**James Garritano** is the new poker room manager at Golden Gates, where the progressive quads bad-beat jackpot was at \$29K at press time and high hands get paid \$50 hourly.

**CRIPPLE CREEK:** The poker community was saddened when **Randy "Rambo" Lanosga** died from cancer. There was a well-attended memorial. Also, Wildwood dealer **Jim "JW" Hutchins** died of a heart attack.

In happier Wildwood news, **Katherine "Kat" Allen** was named poker room manager. She launched her tenure with a bang, too, offering a \$10K main-event satellite extravaganza. Wildwood will cover \$500 in hotel and airfare in addition to a \$10K seat to a certain Las Vegas tourney. Qualifiers for \$140 run through July 2. Call the room for details. The winners of these qualifiers play against each other in the Flight Tournaments on July 3. Those winners will be headed to Vegas with their \$10K buy-in.

• **Larry Hill**, CEO of Triple Crown Casinos, said, "The Midnight Rose Poker Room continues to enjoy our total commitment and support." The Rose recently held its second Colorado State Poker Championship and the main event trophy and \$4,999 were taken north on I-25 by Golden Gates dealer **Byran Wienhoff**.



Tournament series leaderboard showed **Bob Kidd** of Pubelo, Colo., and **Phil Esler** of Erie, Colo., a dealer at Golden Gates, at the top.

Look for a full recap in a future issue. **Clyde J. Duet**, Louisiana state champion, coach and author, was in the house and performed handily (seven final tables out of 12 entries) and amused the room with his homespun Cajun humor.

## KANSAS

**HOLLYWOOD CASINO KANSAS SPEEDWAY:** This 13-table room, in the hands of poker room manager **Brian Grote** and tournament director **Brian Vickers**, is often packed with a waiting list for \$2-\$4 limit and \$1-\$3 NLHE. It also has a steady stream of players in \$4-\$8 Omaha/8. Pot-limit Omaha stakes up to \$5-\$5 and \$20-\$40 limit hold'em also can be found. A new initiative is to offer \$3-\$6 hold'em. The Hollywood Poker Open promotion wrapped up at the end of May so expect new promotions soon.

**HARRAH'S NORTH KANSAS CITY:** The RunGoodGear.Com Series that ran April 29-30 (results not available at press time) was the first outside event hosted by this 11-table room.

In the two years **Chris Luhnig** has been poker room manager here, there has been a real push to listen to and take care of players and it clearly shows. Besides being able to host an

outside tournament series, he also has restructured the \$240 World Series of Poker main-event qualifier to be a real players' tournament. With 30-minute levels, 10K stacks, 25-50 Level 1 blinds and antes kicking in at Level 7, this qualifier puts runners to the test to earn the seat. Only one seat is given away per qualifier with the rest of the prize pool distributed to the players, another new feature. The last two qualifiers will run June 4 and 18.

A regular promotion the room runs is a quarterly \$10K freeroll. The top 25 tournament players and cash players with more than 150 hours played qualify. The top 10 percent are paid, the same payout structure as its daily tournaments. Players earn 75 cents per hour comps and 17 tier credits per hour played.

**AMERISTAR KANSAS CITY:** The room hosted a Heartland Poker Tour stop in April and Kansas City's **Ryan Gregor** walked away with the win and \$111,696 after 13 hours and 284 hands of final-table play.

Attorney **Jason Darland** was the final competitor standing in the way of the eventual champ. Darland got the last of his chips in the middle with Q-9 against Gregor's A-6. An ace on the turn sealed Darland's fate and the Overland Park man was sent home with \$70,709 for second place.

The main event saw 342 entrants, creating a prize pool of \$485,640. **Greg "Fossilman" Raymer** and **Craig "The Legend" Casino** were among the notables to cash in the tournament but fall short of the final table.

**Bill Canedy** took over as poker room manager in 2015 and he continues a tradition of running a good room in a great upstairs location with 15 tables. From \$2-\$4 to \$3-\$6 with a kill limit to \$5-\$10 Omaha/8 with a kill to \$5-\$5 PLO and \$1-\$2 to \$5-\$5 NLHE, this room offers good variety. Comps are \$1 per hour.

A terrific promotion is for four hours of play get a \$15 food voucher. Use it with the room's tableside service. The room takes great pride in returning jackpot money to players and offers a variety of bad-beat options, including double and triple payouts if the prize pool grows beyond specified levels. A handy reference card is available in the room that breaks it all down.

**PRAIRIE BAND CASINO:** The poker room has been closed for remodeling, but expect to see it reopen in a different location in late summer to early fall.

## TEXAS

**KICKAPOO LUCKY EAGLE CASINO:** The Sunday Showdown is \$120 (\$10 add-on) and the Super Tuesday event has a \$35 buy-in (rebuys allowed the first hour). Tableside massage is offered Fridays 4 p.m.-2 a.m. and Saturdays 2 p.m.-2 a.m.



Ryan Gregor

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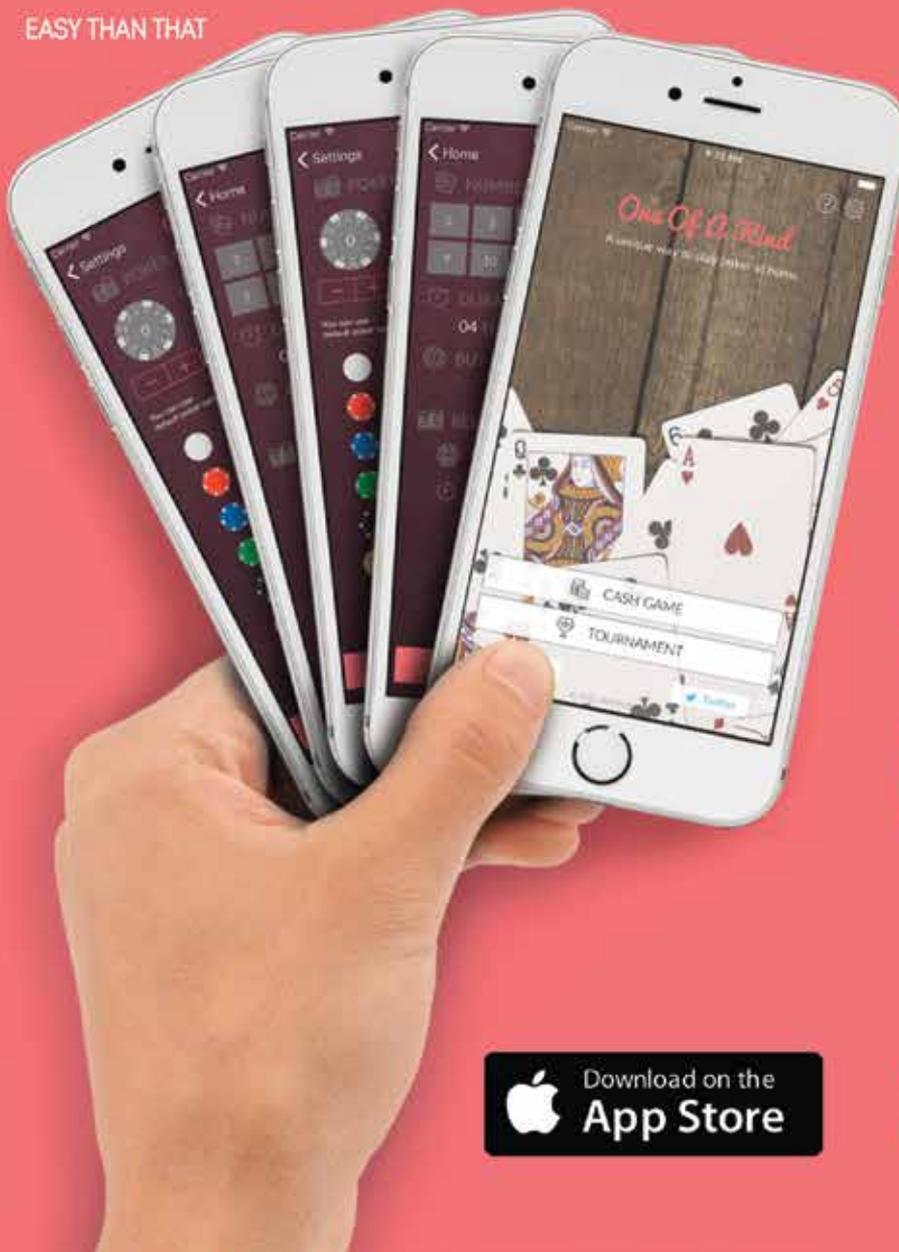
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June 18 is the Coyote 102.5 bounty tournament, which sports \$102 bounties on **Erica Viking** and the **Hoff**, as well as four other players. The buy-in is \$102, of course. Then, there's the \$30 Father's Day tournament June 19 with unlimited \$20 rebuys in the first hour and a \$25 add-on. The \$150 Last Saturday of the Month deepstack is June 25.



Also, the poker room is gearing up for another \$10K guarantee deepstack July 16 for \$225 and no rebuys. The past four of these events sold out with more than 70 players in each.

Weekly tournaments include Sunday (\$30, unlimited \$20 rebuys first hour and a \$25 add-on); Monday (\$30 with one re-buy), Tuesday (\$40 with one re-buy), Wednesday (\$50 with one re-buy); Thursday Omaha/8 (\$30, unlimited \$20 rebuys for the first hour and a \$25 add-on), Friday and Saturday (\$75 and no rebuys). Just a reminder, players earn bonus chips for live play before the start of tournaments.

**INN OF THE MOUNTAIN GODS:** By the time this issue arrives in poker rooms, the final stretch of the four-month Road to the Main Event will have been completed, with more than 100 players vying for a payoff. April's event brought an El Paso player \$13,500 first-place winnings.

Look for May championship results in our next issue. Also planned for June is the return of the popular Test Your Might tournament. Call for details.

**ISLETA RESORT AND CASINO:** The tournament calendar is crammed as buy-ins start at \$15 and include bounty, crazy pineapple, Omaha, tag team, MegaMarathon, ladies only, beginners and deepstack tournaments.

The room hosts some of the hottest cash games of Omaha/8 (Tuesdays and Thursdays) and hold'em. Some weekly highlights include Deuces Never Loses with a gift giveaway on Mondays; \$10 free with \$50 buy-in on Tuesdays, splash pots \$50 per hour, per table on Thursdays and Monday-Wednesday night crazy pineapple \$2-\$6 spread.

**SANTA ANA STAR: Pam Kern** was named director of table games. Beginning at 1 p.m. Monday through Saturday, is the \$2-\$6 hold'em game.

On Sundays, it's Omaha/8, which starts at 9 a.m. Quads of the day are determined for daily reward and pots are splashed \$50 on Sundays and \$25 every half-hour on weekdays. ♠

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# HAWKINS MAKES HISTORY IN N.C.

World Series of Poker Circuit history was made at Harrah's Cherokee in North Carolina when **Maurice Hawkins** became the first player in the 12-year history of the WSOPC to win back-to-back WSOPC main events.



Since April 7, Hawkins has won three gold rings, reached four WSOPC final tables and earned \$431,561. To put his run into perspective, Hawkins has earned more money on the circuit in that span than anyone else had all season long.

Hawkins defeated a 1,008-player field to earn the top prize of \$279,722 and his seventh gold ring. This marked Hawkins' largest tournament score and he moved into a tie for fifth on the all-time rings list. He's tied with **Cory Waaland** and is only two gold rings behind all-time leader **Alex Masek**. He also became only the third player to win three gold rings this season.

"I am all about trying to put out my best performance and doing the best I can do," Hawkins said.

## MISSOURI

**LUMIERE PLACE:** The property recently doubled its comps for poker players to \$2 an hour and the new incentive applies to tournaments as well. There's a new monster pot-limit Omaha game spread on the first Saturday of every month at 2 p.m. Blinds are \$5-\$10 with a mandatory \$25 straddle, \$1K minimum buy-in with no max. Do you want to play Omaha but don't have the roll for that big of a game? No problem. Lumiere offers \$1-\$2 PLO (\$5 to bring it in) daily as well as a \$1-\$3 no-limit hold'em/PLO mix with a buy-in of \$200-\$500.

**HOLLYWOOD CASINO:** If you prefer your Omaha in limit form with lots of chopped pots, get over to Hollywood on Saturdays and Sundays at noon for Omaha/8. It also spreads stud on Fridays at 11 a.m. Players can call in to lock up a seat up two hours ahead of time for both games. Players who are in the room can reserve a spot up five hours in advance.

## LOUISIANA

**COUSHATTA CASINO RESORT:** The latest installment of the \$550 Quarterly Blowout took place over the last weekend of April. The \$125 mega-satellite attracted 133 entries and awarded 24 players a seat to the weekend event. Two flights of players produced 222 Blowout entries and a prize pool of \$107,670. **Harry Living Jr.** of Carencro, La., won the title for \$21,534 as 25 players cashed. Other notable locals were **John Mar-**



## MEET STEVE TRIZIS



**Steve Trizis** is a poker player in the Tampa Bay area who has victories on the PPC Tour and at the Hard Rock in Tampa.

**How long have you been playing and what got you started?** I've been playing since I was

a teenager, though I never put any thought into the way I played until way later. Just played my two cards. Playing poker was something the "adults" did on holidays. So naturally we wanted to join in. Got schooled, along with my brothers by my dad many times, but didn't really learn from the lessons.

Played a bit more, when online poker was available, but again, never really learned or used strategy. Just played. I got a bit better just by learning what worked and what didn't over time, but never really understood the reasons "why" something worked, I just knew it did. Probably over the past eight or 10 years I started playing a bit smarter, but it was a long process. I read a few books and thought a bit more about what I was doing. I went through stages along the way.

**What do you attribute to your success?** A mixture of tight, aggressive, position, patience and knowing your opponent. I don't think it's necessarily I'm reading people better, more of playing a better player, different than I would a mediocre player and different than I would play a player who didn't have a clue.

— **Andrew Malowitz**

**tin** (runner-up, \$15,073), **Jerry Giroir** (fifth, \$7,536), **Robert Veazey** (sixth, \$6,460), **Shawn Calvit** (eighth, \$4,306), **Wilson Vidrine** (12th, \$2,153), **Daniel Motti** (16th, \$1,292), **Brenda Clayton** (19th, \$1,292) and **Leila Demecillo-Punay** (21st, \$1,078).

"Another fantastic turnout of no-limit Texas Hold'em tournament specialists," co-tournament director **Amanda Peyton** said. "It's always great to see familiar and friendly faces from Southwest Louisiana and Southeast Texas come to play and win here."

In other news, Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays are High Hand of the Hour days. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays are Lucky Seat Draw from 1-10p every hour. Both promotions have a lucky jackpot wheel to spin for the winners of each hour. Players will win \$100-\$1K per spin. Also the Omaha-Omaha/8 games are eligible for promos and have a bad-beat jackpot (quad jacks).

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		5:00 pm	Event #2 NLH Turbo	\$240	10,000
Saturday	June 18	12:00 pm	Event #1 NLH Day 1C	\$350	15,000
		5:00 pm	Event #3 All in or Fold'em w/ \$50 Bounties	\$200	10,000
Sunday	June 19	12:00 pm	Event #1 Final Day		
		1:00 pm	Event #4 NLH w/ \$100 Bounties	\$350	10,000
		7:30pm	Event #5 NLH Flight 1	\$200	12,000
Monday	June 20	12:00 pm	Event #5 NLH Flight 2	\$200	12,000
		7:30pm	Event #5 NLH Flight 3	\$200	12,000
Tuesday	June 21	12:00 pm	Event #5 NLH Flight 4	\$200	12,000
		7:30pm	Event #5 NLH Flight 5	\$200	12,000
Wednesday	June 22	12:00 pm	Event #5 Final Day		
		1:00 pm	Event #6 Limit Omaha 8 or Better	\$240	10,000
Thursday	June 23	12:00 pm	Event #7 NLH	\$570	15,000
<b>Friday</b>	<b>June 24</b>	<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>Main Event NLH Day 1A</b>	<b>\$1,100</b>	<b>25,000</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>June 25</b>	<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>Main Event NLH Day 1B</b>	<b>\$1,100</b>	<b>25,000</b>
		3:00 pm	Event #8 Big O 8 or Better	\$350	10,000
		7:00 pm	Event #9 NLH Turbo w/ \$50 Bounties	\$240	10,000
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>June 26</b>	<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>Main Event Day 2</b>		
		3:00 pm	Event #10 NLH w/ \$100 Bounties	\$350	10,000
		7:00 pm	Event #11 NLH Turbo	\$240	10,000
<b>Monday</b>	<b>June 27</b>	<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>Main Event Final Day</b>		

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# NEW TRADITIONS IN S. FLORIDA?

For the first time, the World Poker Tour replaced its season-ending championship played at the Borgata in Atlantic City with a special Tournament of Champions at the Seminole Hard Rock in Hollywood. It was preceded by the regular tour stop, the sixth edition of the Seminole Hard Rock Showdown, plus a \$10K Finale Freezeout and a \$25K high roller.

With special scheduling, the starts were staggered so almost everyone could play most, if not all of the events, bankroll permitting.

After a successful charity event benefitting the **Jason Taylor** Foundation on April 13 raised more than \$17K to help underprivileged children in South Florida, the \$3,500 Showdown kicked off two days later with a reduced guarantee (\$2 million) from previous years and just one opening day.

However, unlimited re-entries were accepted until mid-evening and 1,222 entrants created a \$3.9 million prize pool. Day 2 saw 488 players return and the field was whittled down to 74 players who returned on Sunday to play to the final table.

Many of the game's biggest names participated, including five WSOP champs (**Joe Hachem**, **Jerry Yang**, **Jamie Gold**, **Ryan Riess** and **Joe McKeehen**), but when the dust cleared, the final 10 players were rewarded with two days' off and returned on Wednesday to crown a champion.

**Cate Hall** of Tucson, formerly a full-time lawyer having a breakout season, attempted to capture the Season XIV Player of the Year title and eliminated the man she was chasing, **Mike Shariati**, in 21st place. However, Hall needed a third-place finish to take the title and was eliminated ninth, giving the POY honors to Shariati.

**Justin Young**, a Colorado native who graduated from N.C. State, was near the top of the chip counts throughout the event and ended up going heads up with **Garrett Greer** for the title. Young bounced back from a 3-to-1 deficit to become the latest name etched on the WPT Champions Cup, thus earning a spot in the ToFC later in the week in addition to a \$669K payday.

Young was thrilled with the biggest win of his career (he was runner-up in the 2008 WPT Five Diamond Classic), "It's truly unbelievable; you're always looking for the next pay jump and to put yourself in position to win, but you never want to get too cocky. Then, to put yourself in that position and actually come through, I can't even describe it; it's out of this world."

The \$10K WPT Finale filled in the open space on Monday and Tuesday as 342 players competed, playing down to a Thursday final table, which was won by former South Floridian **Chino Rheem** (\$705K). Rheem defeated a tough final table that included **Aditya Prasetyo** and former WSOP Europe champ **Adrian Mateos**.

The high roller drew an impres-

sive field of 94 players. The money bubble for that one burst in the wee hours of Thursday, with Davie's **Jason Mercier** suffering a tough KO, leaving 13 players in the money for a return later in the day. **David Malka** of Los Angeles took down the title, besting former November Niner **Sylvain Loosli** of France to take home \$698K.

That left the highly anticipated Tournament of Champions and the appearance of a 30-second Action Clock, which would be implemented on every hand. The event drew 64 former WPT champions

The first player visibly perturbed by the clock was former Legends of Poker champ **Matt Salzberg**, who shortly after letting the clock elapse in an early hand, had it happen to him again a few hands later while contemplating a raise on the river against **Matt Waxman**. He tossed in calling chips immediately after the buzzer went off, but tournament director **Tony Burns** ruled the play was too late and killed Salzberg's hand. After a heated discussion ensued, play resumed and that appeared to be the only controversy on Day 1.

Waxman, a South Florida native, said he thought the clock was good for the game, but it wasn't always easy for many players to make the necessary adjustments.

"There's a lot of noise going on in the room and the dealer doesn't always give a 10-second warning loud enough, so it's definitely causing some issues. But ultimately it's the player's responsibility, even though it is something new, we're playing for a lot of money and should be able to look at the clock while making a decision."

**Farid Yachou** of the Netherlands, a transplanted Moroccan who qualified by winning at WPT Amsterdam, won the title, a new Corvette, some other prizes and \$381K.

**Matt Savage**, executive tour director of the WPT, felt like the TOC concept accomplished the goal of the organization.

"I really wanted the Champions Club to mean something and I think we've now proved that it does with the TOC, so I'm excited about next year."

**GULFSTREAM PARK:** The poker room pays \$500 high hands every 30 minutes Thursday-Sunday from 1-10 p.m. Also, if you are holding Big Slick (A-K) and you make a royal flush, you'll earn \$2,500. All other royals pay \$500.

As for tournaments, there's an event every night at 7, including a \$30 pot-limit Omaha tournament on Wednesdays with a \$1,500 guarantee and \$10 rebuys. Call the poker room for more information.

**CASINO AT DANIA BEACH:** South Florida's newest poker room pays \$500 for royals, high hands will earn \$500 every hour from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and \$900 from 7-11 p.m.

There's \$45 tournament on Sundays at 1 with a \$1K guarantee and a \$100 high-hand bonus. Wednesdays at 7 p.m. is an \$80 event with a \$1,500 guarantee and \$100 high-hand bonus.

**MICCOSUKEE RESORT AND GAMING:** The 32-table poker room in Miami is running Miccosukee Progressive Mania, which allows you to win 26 progressive jackpots up to \$25K around the clock. Call the poker room for details.





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# LITTLE SLICK THRIVES AT HARD ROCK TAMPA

What has become a regular event at the Seminole Hard Rock in Tampa, the latest Little Slick brought in nearly 2,000 entries and a \$231K-plus prize pool, smashing the \$150K guarantee.

After 12 hours at the final table, the four remaining players chopped, giving **Brandon Byers** \$30,422 and the trophy. The other three were **Rafael Reis** (\$27K), **Bryan Macguire** (\$24K) and **James Gavin** (\$20K).

If you're reading this in time, the Hard Rock hosts its \$50K guarantee for \$350 on May 30, and given that it's on a holiday weekend, you can expect the guarantee to be beaten.

The Summer Deepstack series begins June 9 with a \$200K guarantee for \$570. A \$100K guarantee for \$350 is the next day, followed by the \$1,100 deepstack with a \$300K guarantee and a live-streamed final table June 20.

**DERBY LANE:** The \$25K guarantee on April 23 more than doubled that mark with 277 players generating a \$60K prize pool and vying for the \$15K top prize. In the end, after about 13 hours of play, eight players chopped for \$5,601 each, including **Dave Edwards**, **Jamie Furst**, **Michael Session**, **Thomas Poules**, **Stan Holley** and recent WPT Jacksonville bestbet fourth-place finisher **Marvin "Doc" Karlins**.

Some other notables who cashed were **Fil Khavin** (ninth), **Steve Trizis** (11th), **Norbert Kara** (12th) and new Ante Up Central Florida Ambassador **Sara Malowitz** (19th). This Saturday Superstack is looking to be a monthly event beginning in June.

On May 30, Derby Lane will continue its Memorial Day tra-

dition with the Combat Wounded Veteran Challenge, a \$220 event with a \$10K guarantee. The winner receives a \$5K Las Vegas package. It will have a fine buffet and proceeds go to a fine charity.

**TAMPA BAY DOWNS:** In an effort to increase daily tournament attendance, the Silks Poker Room has added several guarantees. Every other Monday is a \$5K guarantee for \$150 at 7 p.m. Wednesdays at 7 is a \$5K guarantee for \$130 Thursdays is \$10K guarantee for \$220 at 6 p.m. This will be leading to the PPC North American Poker Championship in July.

## MISSISSIPPI

**HORSESHOE TUNICA:** The Horseshoe Saturday \$10K guarantee features 10K stacks (12K with the \$10 bonus add-on), \$150 buy-in, 30-minute blinds and re-entry during the first four levels. This is best weekly tournament in the northern end of the state and almost always exceeds the guarantee.

**PEARL RIVER RESORT:** The Choctaw poker room is planning another \$25K guarantee. It usually draws around 200 players, the cash games surrounding the event are excellent and the hospitality is second to none. This one will run June 10-12 and features a \$225 buy-in. With 20K chips and 30-minute levels, you can't go wrong. See the ad on Page 7.

**BEAU RIVAGE:** In Biloxi, the colossal summer time \$50K guarantee is June 3-5. The \$345 buy-in will get you 8K chips (10K with optional dealer add-on), 30-minute blinds and slow-moving structures. For more information, visit Beau's website.

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# PHILBIN EARNS ANOTHER ANTE UP CRUISE TITLE

**Brent Philbin** is proving to be a master of winning Ante Up Poker Cruise tournaments.

The pro from Hallandale Beach, Fla., won the \$100 main event aboard the April 18-22 sailing for \$1,400. Philbin has won previously on Ante Up Poker Cruises, including during the Jan. 24 sailing out of Los Angeles.

April's win in the 46-player event vaulted him to a spot in the top 10 on the Ante Up Poker Tour leaderboard, which you can find at [anteupmagazine.com](http://anteupmagazine.com).



**Greg Stanley**, who won his way aboard in a tournament at Eldorado Resort Casino Shreveport, captured Event 1, a \$20 re-

buy tournament that had 30 entries and 36 rebuys.

The four-night sailing aboard Royal Caribbean's *Enchantment of the Seas* left from Port Canaveral, Fla., and made stops in Nassau, Bahamas, and at Royal Caribbean's private island, CocoCay. Ante Up transformed the conference center on board into a professionally staffed and equipped poker room, complete with cash games, tournaments, free poker courses and an open-bar cocktail party.

Among the passengers were players who won their trip in tournaments or



Philbin wins so often, we asked him to write strategy for us. His debut column is on Page 38.

promotions at Palm Beach Kennel Club in Florida, Ameristar Vicksburg in Mississippi, Eldorado Resort Casino Shreveport in Louisiana and Dover Downs Hotel & Casino in Delaware. Poker rooms wishing to do satellites or promotions for future Ante Up Poker Cruises should contact **Scott Long** at (727) 331-4335 or [scott@anteupmagazine.com](mailto:scott@anteupmagazine.com).



## \$100 Main Event

Entries: 46 - Pool: \$3,680

1. Brent Philbin, \$1,440
2. Kenard Bowie, \$805
3. George Varga, \$550
4. Mark Swain, \$405
5. Paul McCormack, \$295
6. Charles Watt, \$225

## Event 1 - \$20 NLHE

Entries: 30 (36 rbs) - Pool: \$990

1. Greg Stanley, \$445
2. Giovanni Frias, \$245
3. Brenda Holdman, \$180
4. Frank Toscano, \$120

Ante Up Poker Cruises sails next to Alaska on Aug. 26, leaving from Seattle while making stops in Juneau and Skagway, before sailing the Tracy Arm Fjord and stopping in Victoria, B.C. The seven-night sailing has limited availability and interested players are encouraged to contact **Jeanne Cosenza** at (727) 742-3843 or [cruises@anteupcruises.com](mailto:cruises@anteupcruises.com) as soon as possible.

Ante Up also will make a five-night sailing from Tampa, Fla., on Nov. 14, with stops in George Town, Grand Cayman, and Cozumel, Mexico, on what is usually the largest Ante Up Poker Cruise of the year. The 2017 schedule should be announced shortly. For more information, visit [AnteUpCruises.Com](http://AnteUpCruises.Com).

# HINKLE WINS EBRO'S EMERALD CROWN IN N. FLA.

The dust is still settling at Ebro Greyhound Park after the Panhandle room's most successful Emerald Coast Spring Classic. A whopping 583 entries filled the eight events that spanned the third week of April. The \$200 main event came with not only the promise of cash, but a coveted gold bracelet. Nearly 170 players came out for the main event to create a \$41K prize pool. **Chris Hinkle** of Bay County won the coveted title and \$9,130.

**BESTBET:** The WPT DeepStacks returned to Jacksonville at the end of April and the series kicked off with bestbet's signature \$100K guarantee for \$350. With 475 players entered, the prize pool swelled to \$142,500.

When only four players remained, a chop was reached between **James McDonald, Kevin Hazard, Enos Smith** and **Earl Crosby**. Enos took home the biggest piece, pocketing \$23K. Play progressed after the chop to determine an event champion and Crosby of Greenville, N.C., won his first trophy while earning a marginally smaller \$22K. The main event was wrapping up

as *Ante Up* went to press, so be sure to read about that in our next issue.

Bestbet hosts another series this month and one of the newest offerings is a Mega Series Package that promises entries into each of the upcoming series' guarantee events. These will be June 10 and June 18. The 10-seat guarantee \$400 event will pay \$1,650 for every five players registered and will include entry into the \$350 Event 1, the \$200 Event 5 as well as the live-streamed \$1,100 main event on June 24.

**DAYTONA BEACH KENNEL CLUB:** The poker room is putting a new spin on an old favorite. On the first Sunday of every month, DBKC is offering its Premier Deepstack tournament.

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# VOLPE GETS HIS BORGATA WIN

Nearly 600 entrants registered for Borgata's \$2,700 WPT Spring Open in April. After nearly eight hours at the final table, **Paul Volpe** came heads-up with **Aaron Mermelstein**, who was looking to defend his WPT Winter Open title, for \$356,255 on top. Volpe, a well-known regular in the region, has accumulated more than \$4M in tournament winnings and defeated Mermelstein for his first Borgata main-event title. The final table headlined notable experienced players, such as **Jack Duong**, **Jon Borenstein** and **Ken Smaron**. Volpe had come close once before, grabbing second in the \$10K L.A. Poker Classic in 2013 for \$651,170.

Mermelstein, who has nearly \$1.6M in tournament earnings, approached the final table in hopes of claiming his third WPT title.

"I feel great about my overall finish," he said. "I watched the live stream and Paul played awesome, he deserved the win. It didn't really go my way, but there is a ton of variance in heads-up poker and I'm happy with most of my decisions." He won \$200,305 for second.

**Matt Mendez**, who's been gaining much attention in the poker community as of late, earned his second career trophy after taking down the \$560 Event 1 for \$213,192. His first trophy came only weeks earlier in Parx's \$2,500 WPT DeepStacks Big Stax for \$100,539. **Elena Stover** came in second for \$138,247, close to being the second woman to win a Borgata major after **Stephanie Hubbard**.

**TAJ MAHAL:** The property that once hosted one of the most famous poker rooms in the world before closing last year, reopened its poker room on May 13.

**SUGARHOUSE CASINO:** The room's first series, Poker Night Classic, ran March 23-April 11. **Matt Glantz**, SugarHouse's new poker ambassador, designed 35 events featuring numerous structures with buy-ins (\$95-\$1,100) aimed to attract local recreational players.

**Adam Levitan** captured the \$1,100 main-event title for \$54,586 as 201 players entered. Levitan secured his spot as the leader deep in Day 2 and well into the final table. There were a few notable locals at the final table, including **Abe Faroni**, **Joe "Worm" Palma** and **Tom Gleason**.

*Poker Night in America* filmed for two days during the series. The live-streamed \$25-\$50 cash game included local pros and headliners such as 2015 WSOP champion **Joe McKeehen**, **Todd Brunson**, **Glantz**, **Shaun Deeb** and *Ante Up* Atlantic City-Philadelphia Ambassador **Jo Kim**. The episode will air in the fall on CBS Sports.

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## MEET JOE BLACK REDDICK



**How did you get into poker?** While going through trial, then serving 15 years in federal prison for drug dealing, I came across poker. I learned the old-fashioned way, through losing thousands of dollars' worth of anything that had value (i.e. food, clothing, essentials).

**What kind of a player do you see yourself as?** I started playing cash and then ventured of into tournaments, which I really enjoyed more. I don't consider myself a tourney or cash player, I consider myself a card player. I play everything from poker to gin to dirty hearts.

**Has your game changed since being released?** I've been playing since 1993, but only played (stud) and mixed games, dealer's choice, up until 2008 when I was released. That's when I began playing hold'em. In just a matter of a couple of years, I started playing live tournaments. Now, I eat sleep and breathe poker. And, yes, I do travel to play. My goal in life is to have played in every casino in the country. My ultimate goal is to play good, make a few good scores and hopefully go the distance in the main event. — **Jo Kim**

## CONNECTICUT

**FOXWOODS:** **Sean Dwan** outlasted 611 entrants to win the \$150 tourney at the Big 50 event in April. Playing out of Port Orange, Fla., Dwan earned \$11,061 from the \$75K prize pool.

**Raymond Downing** of Portland, Conn., was second, which was worth \$5,800. The payday, the biggest of Downing's career, brought his lifetime winnings to \$9,493. He has five cashes.

**Shawn Cunniff** pocketed \$5,120 for third, **Jason Medeiros** was fourth (\$4,467) and **Gennadiy Kostrov** of Providence was fifth (\$4,467). Foxwoods hosts the Memorial Day weekend event with a \$120K guarantee May 27-30.

## NEW YORK

**TURNING STONE:** Since *Ante Up* has an earlier deadline this month you may still be able to attend East Coast Championships, which run May 12-22 at the casino in Verona. The highlight is the \$570 tournament, which has a \$100K guarantee.

**SENECA NIAGARA:** The Summer Slam Warm Up runs May 27-28 and 10 players will receive seats for Summer Slam's \$600 main event.

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## CAPPELLO CAPTURES WSOPC BALTIMORE MAIN

New York pro **Joseph Cappello** won the World Series of Poker Circuit Main Event at the Horseshoe Casino in Baltimore, outlasting **Matt Bond** to win first WSOPC ring.

Throughout the final table, cheers for “Bo Bo” erupted every time **Cappello** raked in a pot. After nine hours of final-table play, those cheers reached a climax when Cappello flopped a set of eights to win the title and \$292,500.



“This (circuit ring) means a lot. It means more than any amount of money I’ve ever won,” Cappello said shortly after the final table. “To win an event like this with all these great players, 890 players, it feels excellent.”

The 35-year-old New Rochelle native bested a field of 894 in the tourney with a \$1.5 million guarantee.

It took two hours and 62 hands of play for Cappello to wear down Bond. With his victory, Cappello earned a seat in the season-ending WSOP Global Casino Championship.

Baltimore native **C.J. Welch** won the \$3,250 high roller, which drew 50 players for a \$150K prize pool. Day 2 saw 13 players return, one late entry and after an extended three-handed match, Welch won his first ring and \$56,250.



The final hand saw **Leonard August** fall when he paired his king on the flop, only to shove and find Welch calling with pocket aces.

The event saw Maryland natives **Greg Merson**, **Christian Harder** and **Tony Gregg** all play, but only Gregg made Day 2. **Chase Bianchi** brought a gigantic lead to Day 2, twice what second place bagged, but had a rough day at the felt and busted before the money.

**MARYLAND LIVE:** High hands are tripled to \$1,500 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. If you have the high hand for the hour, you win the jackpot. The usual high hand is \$500.

**DOVER DOWNS:** It’s another Getaway Weekend at the Crown Royal Poker Room. Starting June 20 at 7:15, there’s a \$30 satellite for the \$30K guarantee on June 25. One in 10 wins a seat.

There will be a series of events June 24-26, too. June 24 at 11:15 is a black-chip bounty event. First place is guaranteed to be at least \$3K. The buy-in is \$225. The starting stack is 20K with 25-minute blinds.

June 25 at 11:15 is a \$30K guarantee for \$225. The blinds are 30 minutes and you start with 30K chips. To wrap up the weekend, on June 26, there will be a \$5K guarantee, \$75 buy-in. The blinds are 20 minutes and you start with 15K chips.

There are many cash-game promotions in June. After 25 hours of play, you’ll receive \$2 per hour of comp dollars. There will be other comp dollar promotions throughout the month, see poker room for details. ♠



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# CARODENUTO WINS AGAIN IN MINNESOTA



**Carl Carodenuto** of Orono, Minn., won the Mid-States Poker Tour stop at Minnesota's Canterbury Park in April, repeating the outcome of the MSPT stop at Canterbury in December.

He took home \$90,805 of the \$363,200 prize pool after outlasting the rest of the 376 entries in the field. Carodenuto started the final table with the lead, having about 1.2 million of the 7.4 million chips in play. The lead changed hands early on until Carodenuto busted **Justin Thurlow** in seventh place, leaving Carodenuto with almost 2.6 million in chips and a lead he never relinquished.

Carodenuto had amassed 6.2 million chips by the time he reached heads-up play against **Gennady Shimelfarb**, needing just 30 minutes to capture the title. Carodenuto is on a roll, having tripled his Hendon Mob career earnings with his MSPT titles.



**RUNNING ACES:** April marked the return of the Spring Poker Classic. **Duane Nelson** of Minneapolis earned his largest career cash of \$17,430 after winning the main event.

The \$500 buy-in attracted 121 players and created a \$52,816 prize pool.

In other noteworthy events, **Todd Melander** earned \$3,779 for winning the \$200 six-max event. Also, **Saad "Fabio" Ghanem** won \$4,349 and the title in the \$300 black-chip bounty event, plus several bounties.

## CHICAGOLAND

**MAJESTIC STAR:** With warm weather arriving, the seniors monthly \$4K guarantee fell short in attendance, adding value with just 27 entries. **Tom Harbrecht** won \$2K after a heads-up fight with **David Schultz**. The Merrillville native was runner-up in an HPT bounty event in 2015. Chicagoland's best tournament 70-plus player, **Pete Falco**, finished fourth.

The hold'em bad-beat jackpot at press time was \$52K-plus, Omaha was \$13K, stud \$11K and the tournament BBJ was \$28K. There's a \$330 quarterly tournament June 19 at 10 a.m.

**HARRAH'S JOLIET:** The Mega Bad Beat Jackpot is Chicagoland's largest at \$576K (quad eights) at press time. The Mini Bad Beat Jackpot was at \$9K.

**BELTERRA:** The bad-beat jackpot, which has a qualifier of aces full of 10s beaten by quads, was \$21K. June starts a new high-hand promotion four times a day.

**HORSESHOE SOUTHERN INDIANA:** The NLHE bad-beat jackpot was \$52K (quad 10s) and limit hold'em was \$25K (quad sixes).

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## MEET RICHARD SERRANO



**Richard Serrano** is a floor supervisor at Potawatomi Hotel & Casino in downtown Milwaukee. He's been with the property for 10 years, starting as a dealer shortly after the room opened.

His wife, **Brandi**, also works at Potawatomi as a table-games supervisor and they live in Racine with their two children.

**How did you get your start in the poker world?** I got my start at the President Casino in St. Louis in 2004 in their poker room. I've been playing poker since I've been 18. I've always had a love of the game and its competitive nature, as well as the occasional win.

**What's your favorite part about working in the poker industry?** It's a fun job where you get to meet a lot of people. I love the game so much; I want to be around it as much as possible.

**What's your most memorable experience working in the poker industry?** Dealing the final tables of the three Mid-States Poker Tour events here at Potawatomi have served as a real highlight. — **Chad Holloway**

**WINDY CITY POKER CHAMPIONSHIP:** **James Battaglia** won the spring league points championship.

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## WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA/OHIO

**RIVERS CASINO:** The poker room wrapped up its Spring Pittsburgh Open in April. The series awarded more than \$650K in prize money, culminating with Poker Night in America filming the final table of the \$1,100 main event, which drew 270 players. **John Kulp** beat a tough field to take first place and \$68K.

**HOLLYWOOD PROPERTIES:** The bad-beat jackpot (quad eights) for the Ohio rooms was at \$255K at press time.

**HORSESHOE CINCINNATI:** Saturdays are a big deal when it comes to tournaments here. The first Saturday of the month is a \$50K guarantee with a \$400 buy-in at 12:15 p.m. Players get 12K chips and 40-minute levels. The third Saturday is a \$25K guarantee turbo deepstack with a \$300 buy-in at 12:15 p.m. You start with 16K chips and have 15-minute levels.

The last Saturday is a \$5K freeroll at 12:15 for the top 36 turbo-points winners, who will get 8K chips and 15-minute levels.

## MIDWEST

# IOWA WSOPC MAIN EVENT GOES TO FLA. PRO HAWKINS

The World Series of Poker Circuit Main Event at the Horseshoe in Council Bluffs wrapped up 12 days of events on April 11. **Maurice Hawkins** won \$113,152 in this prestigious event followed by runner-up **Minh Phan**, who took home \$69,962. Hawkins would go on to win the WSOPC main at Harrah's Cherokee in North Carolina in the same month, making history. See that story on Page 22.

A total of 321 players entered the main event, including big names **Rex Clinkscales**, **Alex Masek**, **Ari Engel**, former November Nine winner **Dennis Phillips**, three-time Council Bluffs Main Event Winner **Blair Hinkle**, and many others all showed up to take their shot at winning the coveted title.

Notables cashing in this event included **Joshua Turner** (sixth, \$21,489), **Ryan Tepen** (11th, \$8,460), **David Cossio** (16th, \$5,797), **Neil Scott** (19th, \$4,902), **Ray Henson** (20th, \$4,902), **Ting Ho** (21st, \$4,902), and **Allen Kessler** (33rd, \$2,875).

Also notable was the \$365 re-entry tournament with 743 entries. **Duane Gerleman** took the top prize of \$44,577.

**RIVERSIDE CASINO:** **Daniel Anderson** won \$13,018 on April 24 at the ninth annual Riverside Poker Challenge, topping the 136-player field.

**GRAND FALLS CASINO:** The Larchwood property hosts the Summer Poker Challenge June 4-5 with two interesting events. The first tournament is \$200 with triple stacks. Players will have a stack and two add-ons that can be brought into the game at any time during the first three levels.

There surely will be some unique strategies during this game. The next day there is a two-person team tournament with \$200 team buy-in. The players will alternate playing the same stack every 20 minutes.

**DIAMOND JO CASINO:** The Worth poker room has a bad-beat jackpot was quickly approaching \$200K at press time.

**PRAIRIE MEADOWS CASINO:** In Altoona, the final WSOP main-event satellite is June 12. Buy-in is just \$200 and first place receives a \$10K seat and \$2K for expenses.

## WISCONSIN

**POTAWATOMI HOTEL & CASINO:** In celebration of the property's 25th anniversary, the poker room held a \$10K freeroll to qualified players. In addition, the casino paid a \$25 bounty for all players, meaning an additional \$3,475 was up for grabs.

Among those to cash in the event were **Qui Tran** (first, \$2,500), **Peng Moua** (second, \$1,650), **Craig Anderson** (third, \$1,110), **Jose Perez** (fourth, \$895), **James Christensen** (11th, \$240), and **Brad Van Bellinger** (18th, \$150).

**HO-CHUNK GAMING WISCONSIN DELLS:** In mid April, **Cheyenne Gunn** topped a field of 138 entrants to win the PPC Ho-Chunk Spring Open Main Event for \$11,934, plus a \$5K PPC Aruba World Championship package. **Jordan Moan** finished as runner-up for \$6,601 and a \$4,200 PPC Aruba package. ♠



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**MARK BREMENT**

**BREAKS:** After getting knocked out of a tournament, give yourself a break. Don't jump back in the satellite line or start playing ring games. Your poker brain is tired. Get some R&R. This is perhaps the most profitable piece of advice

you'll read about poker on the road in Vegas. Even the most disciplined of players will find his A game disappear after a disappointing tournament experience.

**REST:** Veterans of the game understand their limitations. They have a plan and are organized enough to stick to their guns. If you fall into the category of out-of-town player, naturally you'll feel pressed to get in as much time as you can.

**TACTICS:** We must take our play seriously. Make sure to have

a plan to record any significant hands. Tournaments are long and grueling. With each hour passed, we are less likely to have a vivid memory of a hand that deserves accurate analysis. Write down these hands on your break. They deserve scrutiny.

**GAME PLAN:** Imagine you're at Level 4 in an event. What's your chip count in relation to the blinds? What's your plan if you're deep? If you have less than 10 big blinds, do you have a short-stack strategy?

Keep an index card with you to keep track of stack-to-blind ratios. The pro you're up against always is keenly aware of his situation or predicament. This newfound awareness is guaranteed to help you. By holding yourself accountable, your cash-game results are bound to improve.

**STEP UP:** Your bankroll management chart says you belong in a certain game and, yes, bankroll management is extremely important, but you have a replenishing bankroll because you hold down a job. Take a shot. You might be surprised as to how well you play when confronted at a higher level. Just clear it with your spouse first.

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# READY TO TURN PRO? PROBABLY NOT

You've been asking yourself, "Should I quit my day job and become a low-stakes pro?" That's not an easy question to answer, but it's important to be able to at least make an informed decision.



**BRENT  
PHILBIN**

For the purposes of this series, we're focusing on cash-game play and using tournaments sparingly. Tournaments, especially low stakes with poor structures, are extremely high in variance and aren't suited for being a low-stakes professional. We'll discuss pitfalls, strategies and the benefits of being a low-stakes cash-game grinder in future issues.

The answer to the question, "Should I turn pro?" is probably "Not yet." There are probably many of you who have chosen to make the leap to cash-game pro that should have the same answer. I encourage you to read this series to make adjustments to your game and methods. Turning pro is significantly more difficult than most realize.

The first thing we need to do is determine if we're a winning player. Many players will win a tournament, win a bad-beat jackpot or have a week of amazing cash-game sessions and cling to that cash influx as their mental basis for being a winning player. The only real way to determine if you're a winning player is hours, and meticulously tracking the hours. So here's what you need to do:

**TRACK YOUR PLAY:** Poker Income Pro is an example of a tracking program. I find it much easier to track my sessions on my phone. If you use a spreadsheet, make sure it has dates, locations, hours played, and the results of the sessions.

**SET TIME-LIMIT GOALS:** During your time as a pro, it's going to be important to meet or exceed hourly goals each week and

have the discipline to consistently go play without a boss telling you that you need to do so. Each person has a unique situation with jobs and responsibilities, but set this goal while keeping in mind that the bare minimum number of hours you'll need to determine whether you're a winning player is around 500.

**SET ASIDE A BANKROLL:** You still have your day job, so bankroll management isn't as important now as it will be in the future, but learning proper bankroll management is probably the biggest key to becoming a pro and staying that way.

Make sure you have set aside money that you can afford to lose and that it meets the minimal bankroll requirements for the game you're playing. Assuming you can replenish your bankroll should it begin to drop, then 1,000 big blinds should be sufficient. If you can't replenish the bankroll, the requirements go up dramatically and our bankroll should start around 2,500 big blinds.

**ANALYZE YOUR HOURLY RATE EVERY 100 HOURS:** This is extremely important. Hours upon hours are the only way to accurately know if you're a winner. From a random sample of 500 hours of my results, the confidence of being a winning player was only 23.9 percent. Using those numbers and running a simulation, someone with my skill spent almost a year making less than \$20 per hour. Those results should be scary and illustrate the importance of keeping accurate records and analyzing them.

Once you've completed these steps and are reasonably certain you're a winning player with a bankroll that gives you a small risk of ruin, you're ready to start treating your poker game like a new business. Now, go find some fish.

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## TROUBLE HANDS AND SHORTHANDED PLAY

Trouble hands are exactly what the name implies, hands that can cost you a ton of money. So you must often avoid playing them, especially out of position. But if you choose to play them, play with extreme caution as you may jeopardize your stack. However, if you're playing shorthanded or if these same trouble hands are suited, then they're not as dangerous and can be profitable.



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SPATH

Unsuited cards that fall into this category are A-Q, A-J, A-10, K-Q, K-J, K-10, Q-J, Q-10, J-10 and the A-9 combo, which has become quite popular to play recently, for what reason,

I do not know.

The reason these sets of cards cause major concern and are categorized as trouble hands is because they're often dominated by better starting hands, such as A-A, K-K and the top connector, A-K. So when playing an unsuited A-Q and you're raised from early position, the likelihood of losing a great deal of money and having an inferior hand to the raiser is quite possible. Say a flop of A-9-2 appears and your opponent has the A-K as advertised with a preflop raise from early position. You'll lose a lot of money coming in second place with A-Q. Hands such as J-10 can be costly when you flop top pair or two pair as others playing K-Q have a playable hand that can

quickly snatch the pot from you with their draw. What's important to remember is to play trouble hands as cheaply as possible; don't over-commit.

When playing shorthanded, you must play aggressively, as most hands nearly unplayable at a full table have worth shorthanded. Quite a few hands increase in value as opponents decrease. This is especially true about those aforementioned trouble hands as they can be played strongly. One major key to shorthanded play is position. Your play often will be dictated by position, rather than the quality of cards. When you're last to act, your bet places enormous pressure on opponents as they face the dilemma of calling your bet as well as having to bet first on subsequent rounds. Note: You shouldn't wait for hands with outs to bet having position, fire away and win most pots that have been checked to you while in position. Continue to demonstrate aggressive play and pick up these available pots. It's essential to note that while playing shorthanded and one additional player leaves the table, adjust your play as hand values and the tempo will change dramatically.

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## POKER PSYCHOLOGY: HEAD GAMES

### EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE, AN IMPORTANT SKILL

Emotional Intelligence, as a psychological theory, was developed by **Peter Salovey** and **John Mayer**: "Emotional intelligence is the ability to perceive emotions, to access and generate emotions so as to assist thought, to understand emotions and emotional knowledge, and to reflectively regulate emotions so as to promote emotional and intellectual growth."



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An astute poker player can readily see how this is applicable to the study of poker. It is, however, an area that gets little attention and few players consider it worthy of study. The same folks who study the math, try to learn about tells and reading opponents, reject the study of their emotions and the effect this has on the game.

No one is immune from emotions. We recognize tilt, but that's where the study usually ends.

I hope some of you take the time to include Emotional Intelligence in your poker learning. This might give you an edge.

Emotional Intelligence is the ability to identify and manage your emotions and the emotions of others. It's generally said to include three skills:

- Emotional awareness.
- Ability to harness emotions and apply them to tasks such as thinking and problem-solving.
- Ability to manage emotions, including regulation of your

emotions and the ability to cheer up or calm down another person and yourself.

Never live in the past. Did you make a mistake or get sucked out on? That doesn't matter; learn what you can from the mistake, but don't dwell on it. If you find yourself fixated, get away from the table and let it pass.

If your emotions rise, especially negative emotions, try to learn how to let them pass. When our emotions are unchecked, we tend to dig in and not let go. There's always another hand, another session, another tournament. Poker is judged over the long term. Just like luck is a short-term winner, unchecked emotions can be a short-term loser.

Don't try to play perfectly. You can't. Poker is interactive and you can't control the other player; perfection cannot be achieved. Peak performance can.

Hold no grudges at the table. You got beat by not seeing the flush or that the board paired; you got rivered. It happens to us all; let it go. Don't hold a grudge and play just against that one player. When I see players get into these duels, I can't wait to get a monster hand and play them both.

Developing your emotional intelligence is an area that will give you an edge at the poker table and help you keep your head in the game.

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## ARIZONA

LOCATION	TOURNAMENTS/SPECIAL EVENTS	JACKPOTS/PROMOTIONS
<b>BLUEWATER RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (928) 669-7000 • bluewaterfun.com	Tuesday KO (\$35 w/\$20 early-bird rebuy, 7p); Thursday KO (\$40 w/\$20 early-bird rebuy, 7p).	High hand pays \$50 for straight flushes and quads (Wed., 8p); Aces Cracked pays \$40 (daily); royals pay \$200 (daily).
<b>BUCKY'S CASINO</b> (928) 708-6801 • buckyscasino.com	Mon. shootout (10a); Tue.-Thurs. shootout (10a); Tue.-Thurs. (6p); Sat. deepstack (noon) and bounty (7p).	Bad-beat jackpot (daily); Omaha high hands; Aces Cracked.
<b>CASINO ARIZONA AT TALKING STICK</b> (480) 850-7777 • casinoaz.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$125, 11:15a); Mon.-Thurs. (\$145, 7:15p). See ad on Page 17.	Hot Sizzlin' Seats, \$100 winner hourly between 3a-10a (daily).
<b>CASINO DEL SOL</b> (800) 344-9435 • casinodelsol.com	Thurs. \$5K guar. (\$100, 7p); Sat. \$200 added Omaha/8 (\$15 w/\$5 rbs and add-on, 9a); Sun. (\$45, 11a).	End of the League Bonus Event.
<b>CLIFF CASTLE CASINO HOTEL</b> (928) 567-7999 • cliffcastlecasinohotel.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$30, 10a); Wed. (\$60, 7p); Sat. (\$50, noon).	Get paid for royal flushes (call for details).
<b>DESERT DIAMOND</b> (520) 342-1810 • ddcz.com	Mon. & Thurs. Poker Cup of Coffee Tournament w/\$500 added (\$35, 9:30a); Tue. & Wed. Poker Sundown Showdown w/\$500 added (\$35, 7p).	Players receive 50 percent food discount tableside.
<b>FT. McDOWELL CASINO</b> (480) 837-1424 • fortmcowellcasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$30, noon); Mon., Tue. & Thurs. & Sun. (\$5, 7p); Wed. (\$10, 7p); Fri. (\$60, 7p); Sat. (\$5, noon & 4p) and (\$50, 7p); Sun. (\$10, noon).	Aces Cracked pays up to \$1K (24/7); High Hand (Sun.-Fri., 9a-10a & 10a-11a).
<b>HARRAH'S PHOENIX AK-CHIN</b> (480) 802-5000 • harrahsakchin.com	Mon. (\$25, 7:30p); Wed. \$1K WSOP satellite (\$80, 7:30p); Thurs. (\$20, 5:30p); Sat. \$500 guar. (\$50, 12:30p); Sun. (\$25, 12:30p); Sun. \$1.5K WSOP sat. (\$120, 5:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot; Splash Pot Bonanza; Aces Cracked; 6-4 Cracked Omaha.
<b>HON-DAH</b> (928) 369-0299 • hon-dah.com	Mon. (\$25 w/rebuy and add-on, 6p); Tue. (\$15, 6p); Wed. (\$40, 6p); Thurs. 0/8 (\$40, 6p); Fri. KO (\$45, 6p); Sat. (\$30, 4p); Sun. crazy pineapple (\$30 w/rb & add-on, 4p).	\$100 high hand (Fri. & Sat.); Odd & Even Hot Pairs (Sun.-Thurs., 7p); Hot Seat Drawings pay \$50-\$100. See ad Page 14.
<b>VEE QUIVA HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (520) 796-7777 • wingilariver.com/vee-quiva	Wed. (\$40 w/add-on, 7:15p); Sat. (\$40 w/add-on, 11:15a); Sun. (\$30 w/add-on, 11:15a); 1st Sat. \$5K guar. (\$110, 12:15p). See ad below.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; high hand pays \$100 every hour (4a-9a); get paid for quads, straight flushes and royals; Hot Seats; Splash Pots.
<b>WILD HORSE PASS HOTEL AND CASINO</b> (800) 946-4452 • wingilariver.com/wild-horse-pass	Mon.-Thurs. (\$30, noon); Tue.-Wed. (\$50, 7:30p). See ad on facing page.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, stud and Omaha; Aces Cracked.

## ARKANSAS

<b>OAKLAWN PARK RACING AND GAMING</b> (501) 623-4411 • oaklawn.com	Wed. Payday (\$20, 2p); Thurs. Ladies Night Freeroll (7p); Fri. Bounty Hunter (\$30, 2p); Sun. Deepstack (\$50, 2p); first Sat. Megastack, June 4 (\$100, noon).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot; mini bad-beat jackpot; high hand (Tue., noon-6p); Grab Bag (Mon. & Thurs., noon-6p); Omaha Spin (Fri., 7p).
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## CALIFORNIA

<b>AGUA CALIENTE CASINO</b> (888) 999-1995 • hotwatercasino.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$50, 11a); Sun.-Fri. (\$100, 6:30p).	Full House Rocks; Aces Cracked; Splash the Pot.
<b>ARTICHOKE JOE'S</b> (650) 589-3145 • artichokejoes.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em pays up to \$100K; Omaha jackpot; Big Hand Double Hand; Aces Cracked pays up to \$300.
<b>AVIATOR CASINO</b> (661) 721-7770 • theaviatorcasino.com	Deepstack event last Sat. of month (\$125, 11a) w/\$110 re-entry available.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of 10s beaten.
<b>BANKERS CASINO</b> (831) 422-6666 • bankerscasino.net	Mon. (\$65 w/\$60 rebuy & add-on, 6p); Tue. (\$45 w/\$40 rebuy & add-on, 6p); Sat. (\$55, 11a).	Aces Cracked pays \$50 (mid.-8a).
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<b>BICYCLE CASINO</b> (562) 806-4646 • thebike.com	Nooners (M-F, noon); Quantum Reload (W, 5p & 6:30p), (F, 4p, 5:30p & 7p), (Sa, noon, 2p & 4p) & (Su, noon, 1:30p & 3p); Nooners Nites (M, 5p), (T, 5p & 6:30p) & (Th, 5p).	Omaha/8 event (Mon., 2p); Mexican Poker event (Thurs., 8p); Sunday Cash Drawings pay \$10K; Summer Series, June 1-30.
<b>CACHE CREEK CASINO</b> (530) 796-3118 • cachecreek.com	Wed. (\$55 w/\$50 rebuys, 6p); Fri. KO (\$55, 6:30p); Sat. (\$55 w/\$50 rebuy, noon); Sun. KO (\$135, noon); WSOP qualifiers run until June 5 (\$60 w/re-entry, 6:15p).	\$5K bad-beat jackpot; Aces Cracked pays \$50 (Mon.-Fri., 10a-2a); \$100 royal flush (daily); \$100 high hand (Sun., 2a-10a); Splash the Pot (Mon.-Fri., 10a-6p).
<b>CALIFORNIA GRAND CASINO</b> (925) 685-8397 • calgrandcasino.com	Sunday (\$50, 10:30a) w/\$500 added to the prize pool.	Progressive bad-beat double jackpot starts at \$140K; regular jackpots starts at \$70K; Sun. \$1K High Hand Payouts.
<b>CAPITOL CASINO</b> (916) 446-0700 • capitol-casino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$30, 10a); 1st Sat. (\$100, 11a); 2nd Sat. (\$220, 11a); 3rd & 4th Sat. \$3K guar. (\$60, 11a); Sun. \$3K guar. (\$60, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
<b>CASINO M8TRIX</b> (408) 645-0083 • casinom8trix.com	Tue. & Thurs. (\$160, 7p) w/\$2.5K to first place (minimum 60 players).	No jackpots.
<b>CHUKCHANSI GOLD RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (866) 794-6946 • chukchansigold.com	Mon. & Tue. (\$20).	Aces Cracked; player rewards.
<b>CHUMASH CASINO RESORT</b> (805) 686-1968 • chumashcasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$40, 10:15a); Tue. (\$60, 7p); Wed. \$1K guar. (\$50, 7p); Thurs. (\$40, 7p); Fri. (\$150, 7:15p); Sat. \$6.5K guar. (\$120, 1:15p); Sun. (\$80, 10:15a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Multi Splash Pots pay up to \$400 (Fri.-Sun., 10p-1a).
<b>CLUB ONE CASINO</b> (559) 497-3000 • clubonecasino.com	Mon.-Sat. (\$20-\$40, 10:15a); Mon.-Fri. (\$60-\$70, 7:15p); Sat. 0/8 (\$20, 10:15a); Sun. \$5K guar. (\$75, 1:15p).	Royal Flush Progressive Jackpot (call for details).
<b>COLUSA CASINO</b> (530) 458-8844 • colusacasino.com	No tournaments.	Bounty High Hand Bonus (Mon.-Fri., 4p-10p); Aces Cracked (Mon.-Thurs., 8p-mid.).
<b>COMMERCE CASINO</b> (323) 721-2100 • commercecasino.com	Call for information.	Call for information.
<b>DIAMOND JIM'S CASINO</b> (661) 256-1400 • diamondjimscasino.net	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday (buy-ins and times vary).	Ask about Full House Beat bonus and Morning Buy-in Bonus.
<b>ELK VALLEY CASINO</b> (707) 464-1020 • elkvalleycasino.com	Mon. (\$10 w/rebuys, 6p); Tue. Omaha/8 (\$40, 6p); Wed. hold'em/crazy pineapple (\$30, 6p); Thurs. & Fri. (\$30, 6p); Sat. KO (\$35, 2p); Sun. (freeroll, 6p).	Player rewards (call for details).
<b>FOLSOM LAKE BOWL SPORTS BAR &amp; CASINO</b> (916) 983-4411 • folsomlakebowl.com	Wed. (\$35 w/\$15 rebuy, 2K chips, 6:30p); Sat. \$1K guar. (8p).	Friday Night Special pays players \$120 for a \$100 buy-in from 7-7:30p.
<b>GARDENS CASINO</b> (562) 860-5887 • thegardenscasino.com	Daily (\$30-\$150); Mon.-Fri. (1p & 6:45p); Sat. (10a & 1p); Sun. (2:15a & 1p).	Daily jackpots; Splash the Pot; Aces Cracked; High Hand Happy Hour.
<b>GOLDEN WEST CASINO</b> (661) 324-6936 • goldenwestcasino.net	Mon. (\$45, 6:15p); Wed. (\$80, 6:15p); Fri. (\$45, 10:15a); Sat. (\$65, 12:15p); Sun. KO (\$65, 2:15p).	Mega jackpot; Omaha jackpot; home games available (call for details).
<b>GRATON RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (707) 588-7100 • gratonresortcasino.com	Mon., Wed. & Fri. (\$60, 10a); Tue. & Thurs. (\$35, 10a); Sun. KO (\$140, 10a); 3rd Sat. of month (\$550).	Progressive Bad Beat Jackpot; Aces Cracked (Mon.-Thurs.); Quad Bonuses (Fri.-Sun., 10a-10p); mini-beats (daily); Big O Jackpot.
<b>HARRAH'S RESORT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</b> (760) 751-3100 • harrahsrincon.com	Sat. & Sun. \$1.5K guar. (\$30, noon); Fri. & Sun. \$1.5K guar. (\$30, 8p); Sat. \$2.5K guar. (\$45, 8p).	Aces Cracked & high hands (24/7); Pay for Play (\$5/hour, daily); monthly cash drawings. See the item on Page 14 about an Ante Up Poker Cruise giveaway!
<b>HOLLYWOOD PARK</b> (310) 330-2800 • playhpc.com	Daily (\$60); Mon.-Fri. (noon & 7p); Sat. (noon & 7p); Sat. Big O event (\$60, 3p); 1st Sun. of month (\$230, noon).	\$100K cash drawings; Aces Cracked; Double Jackpots.
<b>HUSTLER CASINO</b> (310) 719-9800 • hustlercasino.com	Mon.-Tue. (\$150, 7p); Wed. (\$185, 7p); Thurs. KO (\$185, 7p); Fri. (\$100 w/\$70 add-on, 7p); Sun. (\$250, 3p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

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<b>LAKE ELSINORE CASINO</b> (951) 674-3101 • lercasino.com	Mon.-Thurs. & Sat. (\$20 w/rebuys, 10a); Thurs. \$2.5K guar. (\$60, 6:40p); Fri. KO (\$30 w/\$10 bounties, 10a); Sun. \$5K guar. (\$60 w/\$25 rebuys, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
<b>LIMELIGHT CASINO</b> (916) 446-2208 • limelightcardroom.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot is aces full of 10s beaten by quad twos or better; get paid for quads, straight flush and royals; Splash Pots.
<b>LIVERMORE CASINO</b> (925) 447-1702 • livermorecasino.net	Mon.-Fri. (\$45 w/\$20 rebuys and add-on, 11a); Tue. & Sun. (\$100, 7p); Sat. & Sun. (\$100, 11a); Mon.-Thurs. (\$45 w/\$20 rebuys and add-on, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; royal-flush bonus; Aces Cracked; first time poker player promote (call for details).
<b>LUCKY CHANCES CASINO</b> (650) 758-2237 • luckychances.com	Mon., Wed. & Fri. (\$65 w/\$50 rebuy, 9:30a); Tue. & Thurs. (\$200, 9:30a); Sat. (\$45 w/\$20 rebuys and add-on, 9:30a); Sun. (\$250, 9:30a). All events have re-entry.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is \$100K, Omaha and stud; Aces Cracked pays up to \$300; Rack Attack pays up to \$300; high hands pay up to \$300.
<b>LUCKY LADY CASINO</b> (619) 287-6690 • luckyladycardroom.com	Daily (\$25 w/\$20 rebuy and add-on, 10a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>MORONGO CASINO</b> (888) 667-6646 • morongocasinosort.com	Tue.-Fri. (\$25 w/\$20 rebuys and add-on, 10a); Sat. \$3K guar. (\$60 w/\$10 add-on, 11a); Sun. (\$20 \$20 add-on, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em and Omaha; high hand; Aces Cracked; Spin & Win.
<b>NORMANDIE CASINO</b> (310) 352-3400 • normandiecasino.com	Fri. \$3K guar. (\$40, 7p); Sat. \$2.5K guar. (\$40, 5p); Sun. \$1.5K guar. (\$15 or \$10 w/players card, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; Spin & Win.
<b>OAKS CARD CLUB</b> (510) 653-4456 • oakscardclub.com	Mon. KO (\$150, 6:15p); Wed. (\$185, 6:15p); Sat. (\$130, 11a); Sun. (\$235, 1p); 1st Sat. of month (\$340, 11a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha/8 and stud.
<b>OCEANA CASINO</b> (805) 270-3397 • oceanacardroom.com	Wed. (\$20 w/rebuys, 9a); Fri. (\$20 w/rebuys, 9a & 6p); Sat. (\$20 w/rebuys, 9a); Sun. freeroll w/\$20 rebuys (9a).	Bad-beat jackpot; Aces Cracked pays \$20; high hands pay \$100; Saturday morning bonus (2 hours of live play between 9a-noon qualifies).
<b>OCEAN'S 11 CASINO</b> (760) 439-6988 • oceans11.com	Call for information.	Call for information.
<b>PALA CASINO</b> (760) 510-5100 • palacasin.com	Thurs. \$1.2K guar. (\$55, 7:15p); Fri. \$2K guar. (\$40, 7:15p).	Rolling hourly high hands (Mon.-Wed. & Fri.-Sun., 1a-8a); Limit Flush Marathon (Tue., Thurs. & Fri., 9a-9p).
<b>PARK WEST CASINO CORDOVA</b> (916) 296-7477 • cordovacasin.com	No tournaments.	\$5K Mini-Bad Beat Jackpot is aces full of twos beaten by quads, which increases by \$25 daily.
<b>PARK WEST CASINO LODI</b> (209) 334-9777 • thelodicasino.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$25, 10:20a); Mon. \$2K guar. (\$40, 7:20p); Thurs. \$2.5K guar. (\$45, 7:20p); Fri. KO (\$30, 10:20a); Sat. \$2K guar. (\$40, 10:20a); Sun. \$1K guar. FR (1p).	Super Bad Beat Jackpot in hold'em.
<b>PARK WEST CASINO SONOMA</b> (707) 795-6121 • the101casino.com/casino	Sunday (\$140, 1:30p).	Bad-beat in HE (quads), Omaha (quad eights); Aces Cracked in HE (24/7); Splash Pots (Tue., Thurs., Sat. & Sun.); Big O (Mon., Wed. & Fri., 8a); free breakfast at 10a.
<b>PASO ROBLES CENTRAL COAST CASINO</b> (805) 226-0500 • pasoroblescasino.com	Tue. (\$20, 11a); Wed. (\$25, 6p); Thurs. (\$40, 6p); Fri. freeroll (6p); Sat. (\$25, 11a); Sun. freeroll (noon); first Sat. of month (\$120, 3p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; progressive royal-flush jackpot.
<b>PECHANGA RESORT</b> (951) 693-1819 • pechang.com	Mon. (\$40, 10a); Tue. (\$40, 10a); Wed. (\$40, 10a & 7p); Thurs. (\$45, 10a); Fri. (\$45, 11a); Sat. \$15K guar. (\$100, 2p); Sun. \$4.5K guar. (\$45, 10a).	No-limit, limit and Omaha jackpots; Rack Attack.
<b>PLAYERS CASINO VENTURA</b> (805) 643-1392 • pcventura.com	Mon. (\$55, 11a & \$80, 7p); Tue. (\$25, 11:45a & \$70, 7p); Wed. (\$130, 11:45a); Thurs. KO (\$70, 7p); Sat. (\$130, 11a); Sun. (\$100, 11a & \$55, 5p).	2nd Sunday event, May 8 (\$235, 11a).
<b>RANCHO'S CLUB</b> (916) 361-9186 • ranchosclub.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands.
<b>RED HAWK CASINO</b> (530) 677-2580 • redhawkcasin.com	Mon. & Thurs. (\$60, 6:15p); Tue. KO (\$80, 6:15p); 1st & 3rd Wed. (\$100, 6:15p); Tue., Thurs.-Sun. (\$60, 10a); 2nd & 4th Sat. (\$100, 10a).	\$10K bad-beat jackpot; progressive royal flush jackpot; \$100 high hands (Fri.-Sun.); \$50 quads, \$75 straight flushes (Sun.-Thurs.).
<b>SAN MANUEL CASINO</b> (800) 359-2464 • sanmanuel.com	Monthly \$24K tournament (qualify by playing live events); call for details.	Double jackpots (Mon. & Wed., noon-mid.); high hand of the hour (Tue. & Thurs., noon-mid.); Money Wheel (Fri., noon-10p).
<b>STONES GAMBLING HALL</b> (916) 735-8440 • stonesgamblinghall.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$55, 10a); Tue. & Thurs. (\$75, 6:30p); Sat. \$10K guar. (\$130, 11a); last Sun. \$40K guar. (\$350, 11a).	\$100 & \$200 Rack Attacks (3p, 4p, 9p & mid.); \$100 & \$200 Aces Cracked (noon-1p, 6p-7p, 1a-2a); Double Points Nightly (mid.-noon); Royal Flush Wheel Spins.
<b>SYCUAN CASINO</b> (619) 445-6002 • sycuan.com	M-Su. (\$25 w/hrs, 10a); M-W (\$50, 6:30p); Th. (\$70 w/\$50 hrs, 6:30p); F (\$46 w/\$10 bounties, 6:30p); Sa. (\$46 w/\$10 bounties, 6p); Su. (\$70 w/\$50 hrs, 6p).	Progressive jackpots in hold'em (aces full of jacks beaten by quads) and Omaha jackpot (quad eights).
<b>TACHI PALACE CASINO</b> (559) 924-7751 • tachipalace.com	T. (\$50, 7:15p); W. KO (\$60, 7:15p); Th. (\$40 w/\$20 rb, 7:15p); Fri. (\$50, 11:15a); Sat. KO (\$60, 11:15a); 1st Sat. WSOP (\$225, 11:15a); last Sat. WSOP super-sat (\$50, 11:15a).	Aces Cracked; progressive high hands.
<b>THUNDER VALLEY CASINO RESORT</b> (916) 408-7777 • thundervalleyresort.com	M-Th (\$40, 11a); M (\$20 w/\$10 hrs, 7p); W O/8 (\$60, 7p); F-Su \$2.5K guar. (\$40 w/\$20 hrs & add-on, 11a); F (\$125, 5p); Sa Survivor (\$100, 7p); Su KO (\$100, 7p). Daily (\$15, 9a); Mon. (\$25, 6p); Tue. KO (\$25, 6p) Wed. (\$25, 6p); Thurs. KO (\$25, 6p); Fri. satellite (\$70, 6p); Sat. (\$25, 6p); Sun. Omaha (\$45, 11:00a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; high hands (call for details). See ad on Pages 16-17.
<b>TURLOCK POKER ROOM</b> (209) 668-1010 • turlockpoker.com	Daily (\$15, 9a); Mon. (\$25, 6p); Tue. KO (\$25, 6p) Wed. (\$25, 6p); Thurs. KO (\$25, 6p); Fri. satellite (\$70, 6p); Sat. (\$25, 6p); Sun. Omaha (\$45, 11:00a).	Bad beat in HE is progressive; Mexican Poker \$100 high hand (Th.-Sun., mid.); royal progressive jackpot; Omaha high hand (Wed. & Sat.).
<b>WIN-RIVER RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (530) 243-3377 • winrivercasino.com	Mon. \$1K Madness (\$20, 5p); Tue. \$2K deepstack (\$75, 5p); Wed. \$1K Stack Attack (\$20, 5p); Sun. \$1K guar. Deep Stack (\$55, 4p).	Aces Cracked; Progressive Straight Flushes.

## COLORADO

<b>AMERISTAR BLACK HAWK</b> (720) 946-4108 • ameristar.com/Black_Hawk.aspx	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads beating quads; player comps.
<b>GOLDEN GATES CASINO</b> (303) 582-5600 • golden casinogroup.com	Daily (\$40, 10a); Mon.-Thurs. (\$80, noon); Fri. & Sun. (\$160, noon); Sat. (\$210, noon); Mon.-Wed. (\$60, 7p); Thurs. & Sun. (\$100, 7p); Fri. & Sat. (\$130, 7p).	High hands pay up to \$300/hour with 7 cash games playing (Mon.-Sun., 10a-10p).
<b>ISLE CASINO BLACK HAWK</b> (303) 998-7777 • black-hawk.isleofcapricasinos.com	Sunday \$1K freeroll (3p) w/40 seats awarded per week.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>LADY LUCK CASINO</b> (303) 582-2141 • isleofcapricasinos.com	Fri. (\$60, 7p); Sat. (\$60, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>LODGE CASINO AT BLACK HAWK</b> (303) 582-1771 • thelodgecasino.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; quads or better receives Bonus Board Bucks; call for details.
<b>MIDNIGHT ROSE HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (719) 689-2446 • triplecrowncasinos.com	Fri.-Sun. (\$40, 12:30p); Fri. (\$80, 7p); Sun. (\$100, 5:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot is aces full of queens; mini bad-beat is aces full of 10s; run-off the 1st weekend of each month; Ultimate High Hand Jackpot (3rd weekend of month).
<b>RESERVE CASINO HOTEL</b> (303) 582-0800 • reservecasinohotel.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hand (Sun., Tue. & Fri.); Bounce Back (Mon., Wed. & Thurs.).
<b>SKY UTE CASINO RESORT</b> (970) 563-7777 • skyutecasino.com	Mon. (\$30 w/\$15 rebuys, 7p); Sat. \$2.5K guar. (\$120, noon); 1st Sat of month \$5K guar. (\$200, noon).	Bonus chips for live play (call for details).
<b>UTE MOUNTAIN CASINO HOTEL &amp; RESORT</b> (970) 565-8800 • utemountaincasino.com	No tournaments.	Food comps for six hours of live play.
<b>WILDWOOD CASINO CRIPPLE CREEK</b> (719) 286-7810 • playwildwood.com	Fri. \$1K guar. (\$60, 4p); Sat. \$1K guar. (\$100, 4p); Sun. \$1K guar. (\$80, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; hourly high hands.

## CONNECTICUT

<b>FOXWOODS RESORT CASINO</b> (800) 369-9663 • foxwoods.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$80-\$160, 10a); Fri. 10K guar. (\$160, 6p); Sat. \$25K guar. (\$300, 11a); PPC, June 24-26.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad eights and quad deuces in stud; High Hand Frenzy (Sun. & Tue., 9a-9p & Fri., 2p-2a) with \$500 paid every 30 minutes.
<b>MOHEGAN SUN CASINO</b> (860) 862-8000 • mohegansun.com	Daily (\$50-\$150); Mon.-Thurs. (10a, 2p & 7p); Fri. (11a & 2p); Sat. (11a); Sun. (11a & 5p). Mini Series June 24-26 (call for details); see ad Page 5.	High hands pay up to \$600.

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# DELAWARE

<b>DELAWARE PARK</b> (302) 355-1050 • delawarepark.com	Daily (\$45-\$100); Mon.-Wed (noon & 7p); Thurs. (noon & 7p); Fri. (noon, 7p & 10p); Sat. (9a, noon, 7p & 10p); Sun. (9a, noon, 3p & 7p).	Hourly high hands.
<b>DOVER DOWNS HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (302) 674-4600 • doverdowns.com	 Mon.-Fri. (\$35, 11-15a); Tue.-Thurs. (\$35, 7:15p); Fri. (\$45, 7:15p); Sat. (\$35, 7:15p); Sun. (\$45, 11:15a) & (\$35, 6:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hand; royal flush bonus; cash back rewards. Visit the website for details on Ante Up Poker Cruise giveaways!
<b>HARRINGTON RACEWAY</b> (888) 887-5687 • harringtonraceway.com	Tue. & Thurs. (\$60, 11a); Wed. Omaha NL (\$60, 11a); Sat. (\$60 w/rebuy and add-on, 11a); Sun. KO (\$60, 1p).	High hands (M & F, 11a-4p), (T & W, 8p-mid.) & (Su, 11a-1p & 9p-11p); Aces Cracked pays \$50 (Su-F, 4:30p-7:30p); quad jacks or better pays \$100 (T & Th, 11:30a-4:30p)

# FLORIDA

<b>BESTBET JACKSONVILLE</b> (904) 646-0002 • bestbetjax.com	Daily \$40-\$150 (noon & 7p); series June 16-27; special mega-series package w/10 seats guar., June 10 & 18. See ad Page 23.	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em (uncapped); \$500 high hand every 15 min. (select days/hours).
<b>BESTBET ORANGE PARK</b> (904) 646-0002 • bestbetjax.com	Tue. (\$50, 7p); Sun. (\$50, noon); special mega-series package w/10 seats guar., June 10 & 18.	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em (uncapped); Mystery High Hand Mon. (\$200-\$1K); Thurs. \$400 high hands (every 30 min., noon-mid.).
<b>CASINO AT DAMIA BEACH</b> (954) 920-1511 • casinodaniabeach.com	Sunday (\$50, 1p); Wednesday (\$85, 7p). See ad on Page 25.	High hand (daily); bad-beat jackpot is quad eights beaten and starts at \$20K; get paid for royals.
<b>CASINO MIAMI</b> (305) 633-6400 • crystalcardroom.com	Daily (\$20-\$165); Tue. (\$65 w/rebuys, 7p); Thurs. \$3K guar.; Sun. \$10K guarantee.	Bad-beat jackpot pays \$90K minimum; high hands (Fri.-Mon.).
<b>CREEK ENTERTAINMENT GRETTA</b> (850) 875-6930 • creekentertainment.com	Fri. & Sat. (\$50, 7p); select Sat. & Sun.; ask about \$10K guar. event. See the ad on Page 45.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands; full house or better pays (Mon., Tue.-Fri.).
<b>DAYTONA BEACH KENNEL CLUB</b> (386) 252-6484 • daytonagreyhound.com/pokerroom	Mon. (\$50, 3p); Tue. (\$50, 3p); Wed. (\$31, 1p, \$60, 3p, \$120, 7p); Thurs. (\$50, 3p & \$65, 8p); Fri. (\$135, 7p); Sat. (\$50, 10a, & \$125, 7p); Sun. (\$50, 5p).	Super Sat. (noon-mid.); Power Hour (daily, 11a-10p & Fri., noon-mid.).
<b>DERBY LANE</b> (727) 812-3339 x7 • derbylanepoker.com	Daily (\$20-\$340) at 9a, 1p & 6p. See ad on Page 27.	Player Rewards Program; Morning Madness (daily).
<b>EBRO GREYHOUND PARK</b> (850) 234-3943 • goebro.com	Tue.-Sat. (\$30-\$110, 6:30p); Sun. (\$200 or \$330, 2p).	High hands pay \$100 (Fri. at 9a to Sat. at noon) & (Sun., mid.-noon); spade royals pay \$1K (daily).
<b>FT. PIERCE JAI-ALAI &amp; POKER</b> (772) 464-7500 • jaijai.net/poker.php	Mon. (\$65, 6p); Wed. (\$65, 6p); Fri. (\$35, 7p); Sat. (\$110-\$130, 3p); Sun. (\$50, 4p).	Bad-beat jackpot pays minimum of \$85K.
<b>GULFSTREAM PARK</b> (954) 457-6336 • gulfstreampark.com	Daily (7p); Mon. (\$70); Tue. \$1.5K guar. (\$90); Wed. \$1.5K guar. PLO (\$50 w/\$10 rb); Thurs. \$3K guar. (\$110); Fri. \$2.5K guar. (\$70); Sat. (\$50 w/\$10 rb); Sun. (\$100).	High hands pay \$500/half hour (Thurs.-Sun., 1p-10p); Big Slick Diamond Royal Flush pays \$15K; high hand (Wed.). See ad on Page 51.
<b>HIALEAH PARK CASINO</b> (305) 885-8000 • hialeahparkcasino.com	Mon. \$5K guar. (\$75, 7p); Wed. \$10K guar. (\$100, 6p); Sat. \$5K guar. Green-chip bounty (\$100, 7p).	High hand payouts vary upon day of the week.
<b>ISLE CASINO AT POMPAHO PARK</b> (954) 972-2000 x5123 • thislepompanopark.com	Mon. (\$80, 11a & \$20, 7p); Wed. (freeroll, 10a & \$100, 7p); Thurs. (\$20, 11a & \$160, 7p); Fri. (\$130, 7p); Sat. (\$100, 11a & \$75, 7p); Sun. (\$70, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; high hands; player rewards pay \$1.44 per hour for live play; Racing Pompano Series, June 13-16. See ad on Page 33.
<b>MAGIC CITY CASINO</b> (305) 649-3000 • flaglerdogs.com	Mon. \$1.5K guar. (\$80, 8p); Thurs. \$1K guar. (\$50, 2p).	Big Slick Red Royal \$20K+\$500 to each player at the table; high hands (daily).
<b>MARDI GRAS CASINO</b> (877) 557-5687 x3167 • playmardigras.com	Daily (7p); Mon., Wed. & Thurs. \$1.5K guar.; Tue. shootout \$1.5K guar.; Fri. & Sun. shootout 2.5K guar.; Sat. \$2.5K guar.; Sun. freeroll (1p).	High-hand jackpot (daily).
<b>MELBOURNE GREYHOUND PARK</b> (321) 259-9800 • mgpark.com	Mon. (\$60, 1p & 7p); Tue. (\$60, 1p & 7p); Wed. turbo (\$70, 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 1p & 7p); Fri. PLO (\$70, 11a) & (\$60, 7p); Sun. (\$75, 1p).	Bad beat in hold'em and Omaha; royals pay \$500; high hands (Sat.); spin wheel for \$599 (Mon.); Early Bird High Hands \$200 (Tue., Fri. & Sun., 10a-noon). See ad below.
<b>MICCOSUKEE RESORT &amp; GAMING</b> (877) 242-6464 • miccosukee.com	Tue. & Thurs. freeroll (7p); Sat. Crazy Pineapple freeroll (2p); Sun. freeroll (2p); call for details on SNGs.	Early Bird High Hand (Fri.-Sat.); high hand (Fri.-Sat.); Splash the Pot (Mon. & Wed.).
<b>NAPLES-FT. MYERS GREYHOUND TRACK</b> (239) 992-2411 • naplesfortmyersdogs.com	Mon. (\$55, 1p & \$70, 7p); Tue. (\$70, 1p & 7p); Thurs. (\$70, 1p & \$55, 7p); Fri. (\$125, 6p); Sat. (\$125, 1p); Sun. (\$125, 1p) & 0/8 (\$70, 6p); 1st & 3rd Sat. (\$285, noon).	Big Slick Royal pays minimum of \$10K; all other royals pay \$500; \$500 high hand every half-hour (Sat., 6p-1:30a).
<b>OCALA POKER AND JAI-ALAI</b> (352) 591-2345 • ocalapoker.com	Mon. (\$45, 7p); Tue. (\$35, 7p); Wed. (\$55, 7p); Thurs. Omaha (\$55, 7p); Fri. (\$80, 7p); Sat. (\$55, 5p); Sun. (\$55, 4p).	High hand (Wed. & Fri.); quads and straight flush (Mon.).





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LOCATION	TOURNAMENTS/SPECIAL EVENTS	JACKPOTS/PROMOTIONS
<b>PALM BEACH KENNEL CLUB</b> (561) 683-2222 • pbkennelclub.com	Daily (\$30-\$200) at noon & 6:30p.	Mega Bad Beat Jackpot is progressive and is in hold'em; bad-beat jackpot in Omaha and stud.
<b>PENSACOLA GREYHOUND TRACK</b> (850) 455-8595 • pensacolagreyhoundtrack.com	Sun.-Mon. (\$50, 7p); Wed. (\$100, 7p); Tue. & Thurs. \$10K sat. (\$50, 7p) & Sun. (\$50, 1p); Fri. \$2K guar. (\$50, 7p); Sat. \$2K guar. (\$50, 7p); 2nd Sat. \$10K guar. (\$250, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads); Full House promos (Mon.-Thurs., 7p-mid.). See ad on Page 45.
<b>SARASOTA KENNEL CLUB</b> (941) 355-7744 x1054 • skpoker.com	Daily at 1p & 6:30p (\$40-\$120). Sun. (\$120, 1p & \$60, 5p).	Quads, straight flushes and royals all pay bonuses.
<b>SEMINOLE CASINO BRIGHTON</b> (866) 222-7466 x121 • seminolecasinobrighton.com	Mon., Fri. & Sat. (\$80); Wed. (\$30); last Sat. of month \$4K guar. (\$130).	Hourly high hands pay up to \$100/hour (Fri. & Sat., 3p-mid.); bonus royal flush.
<b>SEMINOLE CASINO COCONUT CREEK</b> (866) 222-7466 • seminolecoconutcreekcasino.com	M (\$130, 6p); T (\$60, noon & \$80, 6p); W O/8 (\$110, noon) & (\$130, 6p); Th (\$60, noon & \$100, 6p); F (\$80, noon) & HA (\$100, 6p); Sa (\$100, 6p); Su (\$80, noon & 6p).	High hands (daily).
<b>SEMINOLE HARD ROCK HOLLYWOOD</b> (866) 502-7529 • seminolehardrockhollywood.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$100-\$300, 11a & 6p); Sat. (\$100-\$200, 11a & 4p); Sun. (varies, 11a & 6p).	High hands; see website for details.
<b>SEMINOLE HARD ROCK TAMPA</b> (866) 502-7529 • seminolehardrocktampa.com	M (\$70, 11a & \$150, 7p); T (\$70, 11a & \$125, 7p); W (\$150, 11a & \$230, 6p); Th (\$110, 11a & \$230, 6p); F (\$125, 11a & \$230, 6p); Sa (\$150, 11a); Su (\$110, noon).	High hands (Mon.-Thurs.); Hot Seats (Fri.-Sun.); comp dollars for live play; WPT DeepStacks, June 9-20.
<b>SEMINOLE CASINO IMMOKALEE</b> (866) 222-7466 • theseminolecasino.com	Tue.-Thurs. (\$60, 7p); Wed. (\$60, 7p); Sat. (\$115, 7p); Sun. Green Chip Bounty (\$140, 4p). See ad on Page 26.	\$50 Splash Pots every day, every hour, every table from open-8p; high hands pay \$100 every hour from 8p-close.
<b>TAMPA BAY DOWNS</b> (813) 298-1798 • tampabaydowns.com	Daily (\$25-\$210) at 1p and 7p with guaranteed prize pools. See ad on Page 29.	High hands; cash giveaways.
<b>TGT POKER &amp; RACEBOOK</b> (813) 932-4313 • tgt poker.com	Mon. (\$50, 7p); Tue. (\$50, 7p); Wed. (\$40, 7p); Thurs. (\$50, 7p); Fri. (\$55, 7:30p); Sat. (\$55, 7:30p); Sun. (\$35, 7p).	High hands; late night promos (daily).

# ILLINOIS

<b>GRAND VICTORIA ELGIN</b> (847) 531-7753 • grandvictoria-elgin.com	No tournaments.	Power Points and cash back for live play.
<b>HARRAH'S JOLIET</b> (815) 740-7480 • harrahsjoliet.com	Tue. (varies, 7p); Thurs. \$2.5K guar. (\$125, 7p); Sat. KO (\$100/\$105/\$125/\$150, 2p).	Spin the Wheel (Mon., Wed. & Fri.).
<b>HOLLYWOOD CASINO AURORA</b> (630) 801-7471 • hollywoodcasinoaurora.com	Wednesday (\$120, 8K chips, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>HOLLYWOOD CASINO JOLIET</b> (815) 927-2175 • hollywoodcasinojoliet.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>JUMER'S CASINO &amp; HOTEL</b> (309) 756-4600 • jumerscri.com	Mon. (\$40, 7p); Tue. turbo (\$40, 7p); Wed. (\$40, 7p); Sun. Deepstack (\$100, 1p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>PAR-A-DICE HOTEL CASINO</b> (309) 698-6693 • paradicecasino.com	Sunday (\$125, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>ROCKFORD CHARITABLE GAMES</b> (800) 965-7852 • rcgpoker.com	Tournaments offered at 2p, 4:30p, 6:30p & 8p (call for details).	Best \$2-\$5 NLHE cash-game action with \$200-\$600 or table-captain max.

# INDIANA

<b>BELTERRA CASINO RESORT</b> (812) 427-7777 • beltterracasino.com	Thurs. (\$40, 12:15p) & (\$65, 7:15p); Fri. (\$65, 12:15p & 7:15p) & (\$40, mid.); Sat. (\$40, 11:15a) & (\$65, 7:15p); Sun. (\$40, 11:15a) & (\$65, 5:15p).	Splash the Pot (Thurs., Fri. & Sat.).
<b>BLUE CHIP</b> (219) 861-4820 • bluechipcasino.com	Mon. (\$125, 6:15p); Tue. (\$40 w/rebuys, 6:15p); Wed. (\$60, 6:15p); Thurs. (\$40 w/rebuys, 6:15p); Sat. & Sun. (\$80, 12:15p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot; second bad-beat jackpot; mini bad-beat jackpot; cash giveaways (call for details).
<b>HOLLYWOOD CASINO LAWRENCEBURG</b> (812) 539-8000 • www.hollywoodindiana.com	Fri. & Sat. \$5K guar. KO (7:15p); last Sat. \$10K guar. (\$150, 4:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot; Full House Frenzy.
<b>HORSESHOE HAMMOND</b> (219) 473-6065 • horseshoehammond.com	Call for information.	Call for information.
<b>HORSESHOE SOUTHERN INDIANA</b> (812) 969-6000 • horseshoe-indiana.com	Mon. (\$51, noon); Tue. (\$50, noon & \$80, 7p); Wed. (\$61, noon & \$80, 7p); Thurs. (\$50, noon); Fri. (\$60, mid.); Sat. (\$80, noon); Sun. (\$81, 3p).	Bad-beat jackpots in no-limit and limit hold'em; tournament bad-beat jackpot.
<b>MAJESTIC STAR II</b> (219) 977-7777 x7444 • majesticstarcasino.com	Tue. (\$80, 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 7p); Fri. (\$130, 7p); Sat. (\$60, 1p); Sun. (\$60, 7p); 2nd Sat. of month \$10K guar. (\$225, 5p); last Sun. seniors event \$4K guar. (\$125, noon).	\$100 hourly drawings (Thurs., 5p-1a); \$1K Hot Seat (Wed.).
<b>TROPICANA EVANSVILLE</b> (812) 433-4000 • tropevansville.com	Wednesday (\$50, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

# IOWA

<b>DIAMOND JO CASINO NORTHWOOD</b> (641) 323-7777 • diamondjo.com	Tue. (\$40, 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 7p); Fri. turbo (\$25, 2p); Sat. (\$40, 2p); Sun. (\$60, 2p); last Sat. of the month (\$150, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Aces Cracked (Mon.-Wed.); straight flush jackpot; mini bad-beat jackpot.
<b>GRAND FALLS CASINO</b> (712) 777-7777 • grandfallscasinoresort.com	Mon. Omaha/8 (\$40, 6p); Tue. (\$40, 1p); Thurs. (\$40, 6p); Sat. (\$60, noon); Sun. (\$100, 1p).	High Hand Big Board.
<b>HORSESHOE COUNCIL BLUFFS</b> (877) 771-7463 • horseshoecouncilbluffs.com	Mon., Wed. (\$65, 10a); Tue. (\$65, 7p); Thurs. KO (\$100, 7p); Sat. (\$150/\$250, 10a); Sun. (\$50, 10a & 2p).	High hands; royal flushes (\$500), straight flushes (\$200) and quads (\$50); win \$500 for a steel wheel in Omaha/8.
<b>MESKWAKI CASINO</b> (641) 484-2108 • meskwaki.com	Tue. (\$20 w/rebuys, 7p); Wed. Omaha (\$20, 7p); Thurs. (\$30 w/re-entry, 7p); Sat. & Sun. (\$30, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>MYSTIQUE GREYHOUND PARK</b> (563) 585-2964 • mystiquebdq.com	Thursday (\$50, 6p); Friday (\$40, 3p); Sunday (\$80, 1p).	Straight flush progressive jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; 10 jackpots; call for details.
<b>PRAIRIE MEADOWS CASINO</b> (515) 967-8543 • prairiemeadows.com	Tue. (\$30, noon); Wed. (\$30, 7p); Sun. (\$60, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of kings; straight flush pays \$200.
<b>RIVERSIDE CASINO</b> (319) 648-1234 • riversidecasinoandresort.com	Mon. Omaha/8 (\$30, 11a); Tue. (\$25, 7p); Thurs. (\$30, 6p); Fri. Big O (\$30, 11a); Sat. (\$30, 1p); Sun. (\$50, 2p); last Sat. (\$100, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (aces full of kings) and Omaha (quad 10s).
<b>WINNAVEGAS</b> (712) 428-9466 • winnavegas.biz	Tue. & Wed. \$500 guar.; Fri. (\$25, 7p).	Tournament bad-beat jackpot.

# KANSAS

<b>BOOT HILL CASINO</b> (877) 906-0777 • boothillcasino.com	No tournaments.	Hold'em and Omaha/8 games spread on live tables.
<b>HOLLYWOOD CASINO</b> (913) 288-9300 • hollywoodcasinokansas.com	Mon. (\$65, 11:15a); Tue. (\$65, 7:15p); Thurs. (\$65, 11:15a) & KO (\$85, 7:15p); Sun. (\$125, 11:15a); last Sun. of month (\$235, 11:15a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; \$25K in prizes in June; hourly high hands (daily); buy-in bonus on select games (Wed., Fri. & Sat.).
<b>KANSAS STAR CASINO</b> (316) 719-5000 • kansasstarcasino.com	Tue. (\$100, 7:00p); Wed. (\$45, noon); Fri. (\$45, noon); Sun. (\$85, 2p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>PRAIRIE BAND CASINO</b> (785) 966-7777 • pbpgaming.com	Closed for renovations.	Closed for renovations.

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<b>COUSHATTA CASINO</b> (800) 584-7263 • coushattacasinoresort.com	Daily, including Saturday (\$200, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>ELDORADO CASINO SHREVEPORT</b> (318) 220-5274 • eldoradoshreveport.com	Wed. (\$145, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$165, 6:30p); Fri. (\$130, 6:30p); Sat. (\$120, 11a); Sun. (\$145, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; royal flush pays \$500; straight flush pays \$100 (24/7); \$100 high hand (Mon. & Tue., 10a-10p); Aces Cracked (Mon.-Thurs., 10p-8a).
<b>GOLDEN NUGGET LAKE CHARLES</b> 337-508-7777 • goldennugget.com/lakecharles	Monthly freerolls (call for details).	Bad-beat jackpot; high hand of the hour.
<b>HARRAH'S NEW ORLEANS</b> (504) 533-6000 • harrahshneworleans.com	Wed. (\$130, 11a); Sat. (\$130, 11a).	High hands; player reward credits.
<b>HORSESHOE CASINO BOSSIER CITY</b> (800) 895-0711 • horseshoebossiercity.com	Mon. (varies); Wed. (\$105, noon); Thurs. turbo (6:30p).	Aces Cracked pays \$100; Splash the Pot; high hand pays \$100.
<b>ISLE OF CAPRI LAKE CHARLES</b> (337) 430-2407 • lake-charles.isleofcapricasinos.com	Monday (\$60, 6:30p); Wed. KO (\$70, 6:30p); Fri. (\$50, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Kings Cracked.
<b>JENA CHOCTAW PINES CASINO</b> (318) 648-7773 • jenachoctawpinescasino.com	Wed. (\$40, 7p); Sun. (\$40, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em has a decreasing qualifier.
<b>L'AUBERGE BATON ROUGE CASINO</b> (225) 215-7777 • lbatonrouge.com	Mon. & Wed. (\$60, 11a); Sun. (\$100, 11a).	Earn player rewards for live play.
<b>L'AUBERGE DU LAC CASINO</b> (337) 395-7777 • ldlcasino.com	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Aces Cracked; high hands.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Aces Cracked; Hot Seats; high hands.
<b>PARAGON CASINO RESORT</b> (800) 946-1946 • paragoncasinoresort.com	Thurs. (\$18, 1:30p); Fri. (\$60, 7p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot; Aces Cracked; high hand.

## MARYLAND

<b>HOLLYWOOD CASINO PERRYVILLE</b> (410) 378-8500 • hollywoodcasinoperryville.com	Appreciation (Sun.-Fri., 9:30a); Mon. (\$30, noon & \$40, 7p); Tue.-Wed. (\$40, 7p); Thurs. (\$30, noon & \$40, 7p); Fri. (\$75, 7p); Sat. (\$40, 4p & \$75, 9p); Sun. (\$40, 1p & \$40, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high-hand jackpot.
<b>HORSESHOE BALTIMORE</b> (443) 931-4200 • caesars.com/baltimore	Mon.-Thurs. (\$80, 11a); Sun.-Thurs. (\$100, 7p); Sun.-Fri. (\$150, 11a).	Splash Pots.
<b>MARYLAND LIVE CASINO</b> (443) 445-2500 • marylandlivecasino.com	Daily (\$65-\$500, times vary, call poker room for schedule). See ad on Page 31.	Late night high hands (daily, 2a-8a) pays \$500 every hour.

## MICHIGAN

<b>FIREKEEPERS CASINO</b> (269) 962-0000 • firekeeperscasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$40, noon); Mon.-Wed. (\$40, 6:30p); Thurs. PLO (\$40, 6:30p); Fri. (\$40, noon); Sat. (\$80, noon); 1st and 3rd Sun. (\$120, noon); 2nd & 4th Sun. (\$240, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>GREEKTOWN HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (313) 223-2999 • greektowncasino.com	Mon. (\$40, noon); Wed. (\$50, 7:30p); Thurs. (\$60, 7:30p); Sat. (\$30, 11:30a); Sun. (\$40, 11:30a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
<b>MGM GRAND DETROIT</b> (313) 465-1777 • mgmgranddetroit.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>SOARING EAGLE CASINO</b> (989) 775-7777 • soaringeaglecasino.com	Mon. (\$60, 6:30p); Tue. (\$13, 6:30p); Wed. (\$60, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$60, 6:30p); Sun. (\$60, 12:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; Soaring Hand jackpots increases daily (call for details).
<b>TURTLE CREEK CASINO &amp; HOTEL</b> (231) 534-8937 • turtlecreekcasino.com	Mon. (\$40, 7p); Tue. KO (\$60, 7p); Wed. (\$40, 7p); Sun. (\$100, 2p); first Sat. of month (\$175, 1p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

## MINNESOTA

<b>CANTERBURY PARK</b> (952) 445-7223 • canterburypark.com	M (\$50, 10:30a & \$120, 6:30p); T (\$50/\$65, 6:30p); W (\$50, 10:30a & \$235, 6:30p); Th (\$35, 10:30a & \$50, 5p); F (\$50, 10:30a); Sa (10:30a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; high hand/hr (Mon., 9a-mid.); Aces Cracked (Tue., 10a-6p).
<b>RUNNING ACES HARNES PARK</b> (651) 925-4600 • runningacesharness.com	Daily (times and buy-ins vary, call the poker room for schedule).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em, Omaha and stud; high hand; Splash Pots; Aces Cracked; Bounty Bonus Boards; Splash Pots.
<b>TREASURE ISLAND RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (651) 388-6300 • treasureislandcasino.com	Thurs. (\$100, 6:30p); Fri. (\$50, 6:30p); Sat. (\$60, 12:30p); Sun. (\$40, 2:30p).	Bonus Bucks (Fri., 10a-6p); quads pay \$44; straight flushes pay \$50; royal flushes pay \$100.

## MISSISSIPPI

<b>AMERISTAR CASINO VICKSBURG</b> (601) 630-4999 • ameristar.com/vicksburg	Sunday \$2K guarantee (\$65, 4p).	Player comps.
<b>BEAU RIVAGE RESORT AND CASINO</b> (228) 386-7092 • beaurivage.com	Daily (call for schedule).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
<b>GOLDEN NUGGET BILOXI</b> (228) 436-7967 • goldennugget.com/biloxi	Mon. \$1K guar. KO (\$60 w/rb, 7p); Wed. & Thurs. \$1K guar. (\$50 w/rebuy, 7p); 2nd Sat. \$5K guar. (\$130, 1p); Sat. \$2K guar. (\$60, 2p); Sun. \$2K guar. (\$50 w/rebuy, 7p).	Bad-beat in hold'em, Omaha, stud and tournaments; Aces Cracked pays \$100 (Sun.-Thurs.); High Hand of the Hour Rollover pays \$50-\$500 (daily); \$50 Splash the Pot.
<b>HARD ROCK BILOXI</b> (228) 374-7625 • hardrockbiloxi.com	Call for information.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>HOLLYWOOD CASINO TUNICA</b> (800) 871-0711 x5005 • hollywoodtunica.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$50, noon & 7p); Fri. (\$50, noon & \$25 w/rebuys, 7p); Sat. \$12K guar. (\$150, noon); Sun. (\$90, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; high hands.
<b>HORSESHOE CASINO TUNICA</b> (662) 357-5608 • horseshoetunica.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$50, noon & 7p); Fri. (\$50, noon & \$25 w/rebuys, 7p); Sat. \$10K guar. (\$150, noon); Sun. (\$90, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; call for more daily promotions. \$50K Weekend is April 29-May 1.
<b>IP CASINO RESORT &amp; SPA</b> (888) 946-2847 x8554 • ipbiloxi.com	Daily (\$60, noon).	Aces Cracked; Poker Squares; Graveyard Splash the Pot; High Hand of the Hour.
<b>PEARL RIVER RESORT</b> (601) 663-1040 • pearlriverresort.com	Mon. (\$35, 7p); Wed. freeroll (6p); Thurs. (\$25, 6p); Fri. (\$50, 2p); Sat. (\$70, noon) & (\$125, 5p). See the ad on Page 7.	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em and Omaha; Aces Cracked (Sun.-Thurs., 5p-1a); Splash the Pot (Mon.-Fri., 1a-1p) pays \$50-\$150; Busted Wheel (Thurs.-Sun.).
<b>SCARLET PEARL RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (228) 392-1889 • scarletpearlcasino.com	Tue., Wed., Thurs. & Sun. (noon); Fri. (6p); Sun. (4p); call for details.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; various high hand; Splash the Pot; royal flush promos.

## MISSOURI

<b>AMERISTAR ST. CHARLES</b> (636) 949-7777 • ameristar.com	Fri. (\$125, 7p); Sat. (\$45, 2p); Sun. (\$60, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; high hands; \$1/hour player comps for live play.
<b>AMERISTAR KANSAS CITY</b> (816) 414-7000 • ameristar.com	Mon. (\$65, 7p); Wed. (\$85, 7p); Fri.-Sat. (\$65, noon); Sun. (\$85, noon); last Sat. of month (\$160, noon); first Sun. of month (\$175, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is jacks full or better.
<b>HARRAH'S NORTH KANSAS CITY</b> (816) 472-7777 • harrahsnkc.com	Mon. (\$65, 11a) & KO (\$90, 7p); Tue. (\$75, 11a & 7p); Wed. (\$65, 11a & \$50, 7p); Thurs. (\$65, 11a & 7p); Fri. (\$65, 11a); Sat. (\$120, 11a); Sun. (\$50, 11a & 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad eights or better; high hands.
<b>HOLLYWOOD ST. LOUIS</b> (314) 770-8100 • hollywoodcasinostlouis.com	Mon.-Fri. varies (1p & 7p); Fri. Thousandaire Maker (\$110, 7p) & (\$40, 11p); Sat. (\$150, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
<b>ISLE CASINO CAPE GIRARDEAU</b> (573) 290-3017 • cape-girardeau.isleofcapricasinos.com	Thursday (\$65, 1p); Sunday (\$65, 4p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>LUMIERE PLACE</b> (314) 881-7777 • lumiereplace.com	Friday-Sunday (\$60, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

# NEVADA

LOCATION	TOURNAMENTS/SPECIAL EVENTS	JACKPOTS/PROMOTIONS
<b>ARIA</b> (866) 359-7111 • arialasvegas.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$125, 1p); Mon.-Sun. (\$125, 7p); Fri. & Sat. (\$240, 11a); Sun. (\$125, 11a).	No jackpots.
<b>ATLANTIS CASINO RESORT SPA RENO</b> (800) 723-6500 • atlantiscasino.com	Daily (\$40 w/\$20 rebuys, 11a).	EZ Way Bad Beat; Prize Wheel Spin Bonus.
<b>BALLY'S LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 967-4111 • ballyslasvegas.com	Daily; \$500 guar. (\$55, 5K chips, 9a); \$1K guar. (\$75, 8K chips, noon); \$500 guar. (\$55, 5K chips, 3p); \$1K guar. (\$75, 8K chips, 8p).	High hands (call for details).
<b>BELLAGIO</b> (702) 693-7111 • bellagio.com	Daily (\$125, 5p).	No jackpots.
<b>BINION'S GAMBLING HALL</b> (702) 382-1600 • binions.com	Sun.-Fri. (\$75, 1p); nightly (\$55, 7p); Sat. \$10K guar. (\$160, 1p).	Earn \$400 per week playing live poker (call for details).
<b>BOOMTOWN RENO</b> (775) 345-6000 • boomtownreno.com	Poker room open Friday-Monday (10a) and Thursday (4p).	Hourly High Full House Giveaway; quads pays \$25, straight flush pays \$100 and royals pay \$250.
<b>BOULDER STATION HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (702) 432-7777 • boulderstation.com	No tournaments.	\$500 Omaha high hand (Sun.-Mon.); Omaha Double Jackpot (Wed.).
<b>CACTUS PETES RESORT CASINO</b> (775) 755-6471 • cactuspetes.com	Wed. (\$30, 7p); Thurs. (\$30, 7p); Fri. (\$75, 7p).	Spin the Wheel (daily); Aces Cracked; high hand.
<b>CAESARS PALACE</b> (702) 731-7110 • caesarspalace.com	Daily (\$100, 10a), (\$125, 2p), (\$125, 6p), (\$150, 9p).	High hand; get paid for quads (\$100), straight flush (\$200) and royals (\$500).
<b>ELDORADO HOTEL CASINO</b> (775) 786-5700 • eldoradoreno.com	Daily except Tue. & Wed. (\$30, 10a); Tue. & Wed. deepstack (\$30, 6p); freeroll on the first Fri. of every month (\$2.5K added) w/Beat the Boss Bounty (6p).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em and stud; quads or better is paid (daily).
<b>EXCALIBUR HOTEL AND CASINO</b> (702) 597-7777 • excalibur.com	Daily (\$40, 9a) & (\$45, 1p, 5p & 8p); tournaments have a 5K starting stack with 15-minute levels.	Spin the Wheel for Aces Cracked; quad deuces pay \$222 with pocket pair; Regal Royals pay \$555.
<b>FLAMINGO LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 733-3111 • flamingolasvegas.com	Five tournaments daily (\$60, 10a, 1p, 6p, 9p, mid.); \$7K freeroll (Fri. & Sat.); \$31K monthly freeroll.	Get paid for quads (\$50), straight flush (\$100), and royals (\$300); flop quads pays \$300 (6a-1p).
<b>GOLDEN NUGGET LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 385-7111 • goldennugget.com	Daily (\$65, 11a), (\$45, 3p), (\$65, 7p); (\$45, 10p); Sun. \$5K guar. (\$125, 11a).	\$2 per hour played in cash games- good at any dining outlet at the casino (call for details).
<b>GRAND SIERRA RESORT</b> (775) 789-2000 • grandsierraresort.com	Sun.-Fri. (\$25 w/\$20 rebuys, 11a & 6:30p); Sat. KO (\$65, 11a) & KO (\$100, 6:30p).	Aces Cracked pays \$100 (Tue.-Thurs.); Progressive High Hand Bonus.
<b>GREEN VALLEY RANCH</b> (702) 617-7777 • greenvallyranchresort.com	Daily \$800 guar. (\$40, 10a).	Poker Windfall for quads (\$200-\$500); \$500 on the flop (daily); Omaha Steel Wheel pays up to \$1K.
<b>HARD ROCK LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 693-5000 • hardrockhotel.com	Daily (\$45, noon & \$35, 8p).	Progressive royal flush; Aces Cracked (Mon.-Fri.); high hand (daily); Spin the Wheel (Mon.-Thurs. & Sat.-Sun.).
<b>HARRAH'S LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 369-5000 • harrahaslasvegas.com	Daily \$500 guar. (\$60, 9a, noon, 3p & 7p); \$1K guar. (\$100, 10p); Fri. & Sat. events are bounties with a \$100 buy-in and \$25 bounties.	Royals pay \$500, straight flushes pay \$100.
<b>HARVEYS LAKE TAHOE</b> (775) 588-6611 • harveystahoe.com	Daily (\$40, 10a); Mon. & Wed. (\$50, 6p); Tue. & Thurs. (\$75, 6p); Fri. (\$95, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; play in cash games to earn tournament chips.
<b>LUXOR HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (702) 262-4000 • luxor.com	Daily (\$45, 10:30a, 12:30p, 8:30p & 10:30p).	Graveyard Giveaway (daily at 6a, 7a & 8a); get paid for quads, straight flush and royal flush.
<b>MANDALAY BAY</b> (702) 632-7777 • mandalaybay.com	Mon.-Sun. (\$40, 10a), (\$40 w/\$20 optional add-on, 3p), (\$65, 10p).	Progressive high hands (daily); tiered bonus (Mon., Wed. & Fri.); Big Slick Royal Progressive Bonus starts at \$500.
<b>MGM GRAND LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 891-1111 • mgmgrand.com	Daily \$2K guar. (\$70, 15K chips, 11a & 7p); Sun.-Thurs. (\$50, 10K chips, 2p & 10p).	\$15K biweekly invitational (15 hours to qualify); Poker Parlay Cards, complete a card and win \$100; most hours wins \$500 bonus.
<b>MIRAGE</b> (702) 791-7111 • mirage.com	Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. (\$65, 11a, 2p, 7p & 10p); Fri.-Sun. (\$120, 11a); Fri.-Sat. KO (\$100, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot; high hands; Aces Cracked.
<b>MONTE CARLO RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (702) 730-7777 • montecarlo.com	Daily (\$50, 9a), (\$40, 2p), (\$65, 6p) & (\$40, 11p); Wed. events are bounties and have increased buy-ins and bounties.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>THE ORLEANS</b> (702) 365-7111 • orleanscasino.com	Mon.-Thurs. various games (\$75, 12:05p & \$100, 7:05p); Fri. (\$75, 12:05p) & (\$125, 7:05p); Sat. (Omaha \$75, 12:05p & 7:05p); Sun. (\$75, 12:05p) & HORSE (\$100, 7:05p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot.
<b>PALACE STATION</b> (702) 367-2453 • palacestation.com	No tournaments.	High Hand of the Hour (Mon.-Fri.).
<b>PEPPERMILL RESORT CASINO</b> (775) 826-2121 • peppermillreno.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$45-\$55) at noon & 6:30p; Fri. (\$45, noon); Sat. (\$45, noon); Sun. (\$40, 2p & \$55, 6:30p); 2nd Sat. of month (\$235, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot; high hands; get paid for quads (\$75), straight flushes (\$150) and royals (\$400).
<b>PLANET HOLLYWOOD</b> (702) 785-5555 • planethollywoodresort.com	Daily (\$75) at 10a, 1p, 4p and 9p w/\$1,200 guar.; daily KO (\$65, 6p); Goliath Famous Series runs until July 10.	Get paid for quads (\$50); progressive and royal flushes capped at \$599 with an uncapped royal flush jackpot.
<b>RED ROCK CASINO</b> (702) 797-7777 • redrock.sclv.com	M & Th (\$60, 12:05p) & (\$100, 6:35p); T (0/8 \$60, 12:05p) & (\$60, 6:35p); W (\$60, 12:05p & 6:35p); F (\$60, 12:05p); Sa KO (\$100, 12:05p); Su (\$125, 12:05p) & (\$60, 6:35p).	High hands.
<b>RIO HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (702) 777-7777 • riolasvegas.com	Daily \$500 guarantee (\$60, 10a, 1p, 4p, 9p); Sat. & Sun. \$2K freerolls (9a); WSOP runs through July 18 w/main event, July 9 (\$10K).	Royal flushes pay \$500, straight flushes pay \$100; player reward credits.
<b>SAM'S TOWN LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 456-7777 • samstownlv.com	Sun.-Thurs. (\$23, 10a, \$30 w/\$10 rb, 1p & \$35, 7p); Fri. (\$23, 10a, \$30 w/\$10 rb, 1p & \$25, 7p); Sat. (\$23, 10a, \$30 w/\$10 rb, 1p & \$55, 7p); 2nd and 4th Sat. (\$105, 7p).	Amazing Aces (Mon. & Thurs., mid-6a & 4p-mid.); Best Full Houses (Tue., 10a-5p & 5p-mid.).
<b>SANTA FE STATION CASINO</b> (702) 658-4900 • santafestationlasvegas.com	Mon.-Sun. (\$45, noon); Sun.-Thurs. (\$45, 7p); Fri. & Sat. (\$45, 6p).	Progressive Aces Cracked; get paid \$500 for flopped quads; tournament bad-beat jackpot.
<b>SOUTH POINT HOTEL CASINO</b> (702) 796-7111 • southpointcasino.com	Mon., Tue., Thurs.-Sat. KO (\$60, 10a, 2p & 7p); Wed. & Sun. (\$60, 10a & 2p); Wed. & Sun. (\$100, 6p). See the ad on Page 11.	Earn \$1 an hour in comps (daily); high hand (daily).
<b>STRATOSPHERE CASINO, HOTEL &amp; TOWER</b> (702) 944-4915 • stratospherehotel.com	Mon.-Sun. (\$50 w/\$20 add-on, 7p).	High hand jackpots; get paid for quads, straight flushes and royals; Aces Cracked (24/7).
<b>SUNCOAST HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (702) 636-7111 • suncoastcasino.com	Daily (\$45 at 10a & 7p) except Fri. (\$100, 6p); last Tue. (\$100, 6p).	Cash bonuses start at \$50 for quads and \$100 for straight flushes.
<b>TREASURE ISLAND</b> (702) 894-7111 • treasureisland.com	Daily (\$40-\$75) at 11a, 2p, 7p and 10p.	Get Paid to Play promo; earn up to \$12/hr, including food and beverage comps.
<b>VENETIAN RESORT</b> (702) 414-1000 • venetian.com	M & W (\$150, noon, \$125, 7p); T & Th (\$150, noon, KO, 7p); F KO (\$200, noon) & (\$200, 7p); Sa KO (\$300, noon) & KO (\$200, 7p); Su KO (\$200, noon) & (\$125, 7p).	Lessons available; start a poker game (call for details); Deep Stack Extravaganza III runs until July 24; Daily events suspended during DSE. See ad Page 13.
<b>WENDOVER NUGGET</b> (775) 664-2221 • wendovernugget.com	Wed. & Thurs. (\$10, 8:30p); Fri. & Sat. \$1K guar. (\$50, 8:30p); Sun. (\$50, 1p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>WYNN LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 770-7000 • wynnlasvegas.com	Summer Classic, June 2-July 19 (\$400-\$1,600) with \$750K guar. championship, July 16-17 (\$1,600).	First Wed. of month seniors tournament (50-plus) \$12.5K guar. (\$300).

\* SNG = single-table tournaments; all tournaments are no-limit hold'em unless noted. Poker room managers email [roth@anteupmagazine.com](mailto:roth@anteupmagazine.com)

 Indicates this property is hosting an Ante Up event. To host an event, contact Scott Long at (727) 331-4335.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

LOCATION	TOURNAMENTS/SPECIAL EVENTS	JACKPOTS/PROMOTIONS
<b>HAMPTON FALLS</b> (603) 601-2486 • hamptonfallspoker.com	M (\$70, 5:30p); T (\$100, 1:30p & \$50, 5:30p); W (\$70, 5:30p); Th. (\$80, 5:30p); F (\$90, 1p, & \$80, 5:30p); Sa (\$90, 1p, \$70, 5p & \$60, 8p); Su (\$50, 1p & \$100, 3:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
<b>RIVER CASINO</b> (603) 249-5548 • therivercasino.com	Mon. (\$10, 6p); Wed. (\$5, 6p); Thurs. \$2K guar. (\$50, 6p); Fri. (\$10, 4p & \$70, 6p); Sat. (\$20, 12:30p); Sun. (\$10, 1p).	Spin the Wheel; Match Play.

## NEW JERSEY

<b>BALLY'S ATLANTIC CITY</b> (609) 340-2000 • ballysac.com	Mon., Wed. & Sun. (\$55, 7p); Tue. & Thurs. (\$55, 7p); Fri.-Sun. (\$40, 3p); Fri. & Sat. \$5K guar. (\$65, 7p).	High hand (daily) pays up to \$350.
<b>BORGATA HOTEL CASINO AND SPA</b> (609) 317-1000 • theborgata.com	Daily (\$100-\$300); Mon. \$5K guar. (\$100, 11a); Wed. \$15K guar. (\$120, 11a & 7p); Fri. \$25K guar. (\$300, noon).	\$15K Royal Flush Bonus.
<b>GOLDEN NUGGET ATLANTIC CITY</b> (800) 777-8477 • goldennugget.com/atlanticcity	M, T & Th (\$80, 11:15a); T & Th (\$85, 7:15p); F (\$125, 7:15p); Sa (\$105, 12:15p); Sa \$1.5K turbo (\$50, 7:15p); Su (\$80, 12:15p); last Saturday \$10K guar. (\$180, 12:15p).	High hand (daily, 2p-2a); Splash the Pot (daily, 11a-11p).
<b>HARRAH'S ATLANTIC CITY</b> (609) 441-5000 • harrahsresort.com	Wed. & Sun. \$2.5K guar. (\$65, 8:15p).	High hand of the hour.
<b>TROPICANA ATLANTIC CITY</b> (609) 340-4000 • tropicana.net	Mon.-Sun. (\$50, 11:15a & 7:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad eights.
<b>TRUMP TAJ MAHAL CASINO RESORT</b> (609) 449-1000 • playtajpoker.net	Call for details.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hand madness; 50-50 club (call for details).

## NEW MEXICO

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<b>INN OF THE MOUNTAIN GODS</b> (575) 464-7777 • innothemountaingods.com	Fri. (\$120, 6p); Sat. Second Chance (freeroll, must play Fri. event); Sun. (\$75, 2p). See ad Page 20.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; bonus chips available; call for details.
<b>ISLETA RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (505) 724-3800 • hardrockcasinoabq.com	Mon. (\$40, 7p); Tue. (\$40, 7p); Wed. (\$60, 7p); Fri. (\$30, noon); Sat. & Sun. (\$30, noon & \$45, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>ROUTE 66 CASINO</b> (505) 352-7866 • rt66casino.com	Sun.-Thurs. (\$28, noon & 3p); Fri. (\$28, noon & 3p) & (\$33, 8p); Sat. (\$33, noon) & (\$28, 5p & 8p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; player ultimate rewards; call for details.
<b>SANDIA RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (505) 796-7500 • sandiacasino.com	Mon. (\$55, 7p); Tue. & Thurs. KO (\$75 w/\$25 bounties, 7p); Sun. (\$50, noon) & (\$45, 5p). See ad on Page 21.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.

## NEW YORK

<b>SENECA NIAGARA</b> (877) 873-6322 • senecaniagaracasino.com	M (\$100, 10a & 7p); T (\$60, 10a & 7p); W (\$100, 10a & 7p); Th (\$60, 10a & 7p); F \$2.5K guar. (\$100, 10a); Sa (\$60, 10a) & (\$225, 11a); Su (\$60, 10a) & (\$100, 7p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quad deuces), Omaha (quad nines) & stud (quad deuces); player rewards; royal flush spins the wheel; high hands.
<b>SENECA SALAMANCA</b> (877) 860-5130 • senecagames.com	Room open Wed., Thurs. & Sun. (10a-3a); Fri. & Sat. (10a-5a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; get paid for royal and straight flushes.
<b>TURNING STONE RESORT</b> (800) 386-5366 • turningstone.com	M-Th. (\$15-\$105) at noon, 7p & 8p & 8:30p; Fri. (\$100, noon & \$105, 7p); Sat. (\$95, 11a & \$155, 4p); Sun. (\$90, 11a & \$90, 4p); 1st Sun. (\$230, 11a); 3rd Sun. (\$330, 11a).	Cash giveaways; high hands (Mon.-Wed.).

## NORTH CAROLINA

<b>HARRAH'S CHEROKEE (N.C.)</b> (828) 497-7777 • harrahscherokee.com	Fri. (\$135, 6p); Sun. (\$135, 2p); 1st Sun. of month (\$250).	Player rewards for tournament players.
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## OHIO

<b>HOLLYWOOD COLUMBUS</b> (614) 308-3333 • hollywoodcolumbus.com	Mon. \$5K guar. (\$60, 7:15p); Thurs. \$4K guar. (\$60, 7:15p); Fri. \$4K guar. (\$90, 12:15p); Sat. \$6K guar. survivor (\$120, 12:15p); Sun. \$10K guar. (\$140, 12:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>HOLLYWOOD TOLEDO</b> (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); \$10K guar. Sat. (call for details).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>HORSESHOE CINCINNATI</b> (877) 975-3436 • horseshoecincinnati.com	M-F (\$80, 12:15p); Mon. (\$160, 6:15p); Wed. (\$160, 6:15p); Sun. (\$160, 12:15p); 1st Sat. (\$400, 12:15p); 3rd Sat. turbo (\$300, 12:15p); last Sat. \$5K freeroll (12:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot starts at \$25K.
<b>HORSESHOE CLEVELAND</b> (216) 297-4777 • horseshoecleveland.com	Daily at 12:15p and 7:15p (buy-ins vary), plus last Sun. \$50K guar. (\$500, 12:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Omaha bad-beat jackpot; high hand (daily).

## OKLAHOMA

<b>CHEROKEE WEST SILOAM SPRINGS</b> (800) 754-4111 • cherokeestarwards.com	Mon.-Sun. (\$25 w/rebuys, 10a); Tue. (\$25 w/rebuys, 7p); Wed. (\$50, 7p); Thurs. (\$25 w/rebuys, 7p); Fri. KO (\$60, 7p); Sat. KO (\$100, 7p); Sun. Ante Up (\$60, 2p).	Earn participation points based off of the buy-in of the tournament.
<b>CHOCTAW RESORT CASINO</b> (580) 920-0160 • choctawcasinos.com	Mon., Wed. & Thurs. (\$60, 1p & \$100, 7p); Tue. (\$60, 1p & 7p); Fri. (\$115, 7p); Sat. (\$180, noon); Sun. (\$115, 3p).	\$25K bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (daily); mini bad-beat jackpot (daily); \$5K Omaha bad-beat jackpot (daily).
<b>COMANCHE NATION</b> (580) 250-3030 • comanchenationcasino.com	Saturday (\$40, noon) - extra chips available with cash donation; room open Sun.-Thurs. (noon-2a) & Fri.-Sat. (noon-4a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>CREEK NATION MUSCOGEE</b> (918) 683-1825 • creeknationcasino.net	Mon., Tue., Thurs.-Sat. (\$20 w/rbs, 2p); Mon. (\$20 w/rbs, 7p); Tue. (\$50, 7p); Wed. (freeroll w/\$20 rbs, 2p & manager's choice, 7p); Thurs. (\$40, 7p); Sat. (\$30 w/rbs, 7p).	Call for information.
<b>DOWNSTREAM CASINO RESORT</b> (918) 919-6000 • downstreamcasino.com	Tue. (\$50, 7p); Wed. (\$50, 7p); Fri. freeroll (2p) & (\$50, 7p); Sat. (\$50, 2p); Sun. \$250 added (\$50, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>GRAND CASINO HOTEL &amp; RESORT</b> (405) 964-7263 • firelakegrand.com	Mon. (\$30, 11a & \$35 w/rebuys, 7p); Tue. (\$30, 7p); Wed. (\$50, 7p); Thurs. PLO (\$50, 7p); Fri. (\$30, 11a & \$50, 6p); Sat. (\$50 w/\$20 rebuys, 2p); Sun. (\$115, 2p).	Aces Cracked (Tue.-Thurs.); Splash Pots (Wed.).
<b>HARD ROCK TULSA</b> (918) 384-6648 • hardrockcasinotulsa.com	Sun.-Fri. (\$50, 11a); Mon. (\$25, 4p) & (\$50, 7p); Tue. (\$50, 7p); Wed. (\$60, 7p); Thurs. (\$100, 7p); Fri. (\$70, 7p); Sat. (\$125, noon) & (\$60, 5p); Sun. (\$80, 7p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot.
<b>INDIGO SKY CASINO</b> (888-992-7591 • indigoskycasino.com)	Tue. (\$25 w/rebuys, 7p); Wed. seniors (\$35, 2p) & Wild Wed. (\$25, 7p); Th. KO (\$50, 7p); Fri. (\$40, 7p); 2nd & 4th Sat. KO (\$65, 7p); Sun. Crazy Pineapple (\$35, 3p).	High hand bonuses.
<b>OSAGE CASINO TULSA</b> (877) 246-8777 • osagecasinos.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$30, 2p); Mon. PLO (\$40, 7:30p); Tue. & Thurs. (\$40, 7:30p); Sat. (\$60, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>RIVER SPIRIT CASINO</b> (918) 299-8518 • creeknationcasino.com	Daily (\$50, 9:30a); Mon. & Wed. (\$30 w/\$20 rebuy, 7p); Tue. HA (\$50, 7p); Wed. 50+ event (4p); Thurs. & Sun. \$1,200 guar. (\$75, 7p); Fri. (\$65, 7p); Sat. (\$50, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot; tournament bad-beat jackpot.
<b>RIVERWIND CASINO</b> (405) 322-6000 • riverwindcasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$40, 11a); Sat. (\$90, 11a); Sun. (\$115, 11a); Mon.-Wed. (\$40, 7p); Thurs. & Sat. (\$90, 7p); Sun. (\$40, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>WINSTAR WORLD CASINO</b> (580) 276-4229 • winstarcasinos.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$65, 1p & 7p); Fri. (\$120, 11a); Sat. (\$175, 11a); Sun. KO (\$230, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

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## OREGON

LOCATION	TOURNAMENTS/SPECIAL EVENTS	JACKPOTS/PROMOTIONS
<b>CHINOOK WINDS CASINO</b> (541) 996-5825 • chinookwindscasino.com	Mon. (\$40, 5:30p); Fri. (\$100, 5p); Sat. (\$95, 2p); Sun. (\$60, 6p); closed on Wed.-Thurs.	Splash Pot (Mon., noon-5p); royal flush bonus.
<b>SPIRIT MOUNTAIN CASINO</b> (503) 879-2350 • spiritmountain.com	Mon. \$350 freeroll (10:30a); Tue. stud/8 (\$30, 10:30a); Wed. 0/8 (\$30, 10:30a); Thurs. (\$40, 10:30a & 7p); Fri. \$500 added (\$70, noon); Sat. (\$90, noon).	Spin the Wheel (Sat., 11a-11p); Monte Carlo Payouts (Sun.-Fri.).
<b>WILDHORSE RESORT</b> (541) 278-2274 • wildhorseresort.com	Tue. (\$35, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$55, 6:30p); Sat. (\$110, 1p); Sun. (\$35, 1p).	\$25 cash back for Omaha players for first 20 players (Mon.); Rolling High Hand (Wed.).

## PENNSYLVANIA

<b>HARRAH'S PHILADELPHIA</b> (800) 480-8020 • harrahschester.com	M (\$50, 11:30a & \$70, 7p); T (\$60, 11:30a & \$70, 7p); W (\$60, 11:30a & PLO \$60, 7p); Th. KO (\$60, 11:30a & \$90, 7p); F & Sa. (\$50, 11:30a & \$60, 7p); Su. (\$60, 11:30a & 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>HOLLYWOOD PENN NATIONAL</b> (717) 469-2211 • hcpcn.com	Mon., Wed., Fri. (\$60, 12:15p); Tue. (\$100, 7:15p); Thurs. (\$60, 7:15p); Sat. (\$100/\$200, 12:15p); Sun. (\$120, 12:15p); last Sat. (\$330, 12:15p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands (Tue., 10a-10p & Sun., 2p-10p).
<b>MEADOWS CASINO</b> (724) 503-1200 • meadowsgaming.com	Daily at 11:15a and 7:15p but no Sunday evening event (buy-ins range from \$46-\$96). Ask about the \$5K freeroll.	Bad-beat jackpot; progressive high-hand jackpot.
<b>MOHEGAN SUN/POCONO DOWNS</b> (570) 831-2100 • mohegansunpocono.com	Weekday tourneys noon and 7p (\$30-\$125); Sat. (\$30, 11a & \$75, 7p); Sun. (\$60, 11a & \$50, 7p).	High-hand jackpot (daily, 10a-4p, 4p-10p & 10p-10a).
<b>PARX CASINO</b> (215) 639-9000 • parxcasino.com	Mon. (\$120, 7:15p); Tue. (\$120, 7:15p); Wed. (\$80, 12:15p); Thurs. (\$120, 7:15p); Sat. (\$230, 12:15p); Sun. (\$80, 12:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS &amp; CASINO</b> (814) 866-8379 • eriecasino.com	Thurs. (\$75/\$100, 7:30p); 1st Sat. KO (\$75, 12:30p); 2nd Sat. turbo (\$100, 12:30p); 3rd Sat. (\$230, 2:30p); Sun. (\$50/\$65, 12:30p).	Super high hand (Fri.-Sun., 4p-mid.); \$200 giveaway (daily).
<b>RIVERS CASINO</b> (412) 231-7777 • theriverscasino.com	Daily (\$50-\$225); Mon.-Fri. (12:15p & 7:15p); Sat. (9a, 12:15p & 7p); Sun. (mid., 2p & 7:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>SANDS CASINO BETHLEHEM</b> (877) SANDS-77 • sandsbethworks.com	Daily (\$50-\$300); Mon. (11a); Tue. (7p); Wed. (11a); Fri. (11a); Sat. (11a); Sun. (11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands.
<b>SUGARHOUSE CASINO</b> (877) 477-3715 • sugarhousecasino.com	M (\$70, 11:30a & \$100, 7:15p); T (\$55, 7:15p); W (\$90, 11:30a & \$100, 7:15p); Th (\$55, 1p & 7:15p); Sat. (\$40, 11:30a & \$100, 7:15p); Sun. (\$55, 1p & \$85, 7:15p).	High-hand jackpot pays four times daily.

## RHODE ISLAND

<b>TWIN RIVER CASINO</b> (401) 723-3200 • twinriver.com	Open Mon.-Thurs. (noon-4a) & Fri.-Mon. (noon-4a).	Bonus match play and player rewards.
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## SOUTH DAKOTA

<b>CADILLAC JACK'S</b> (605) 578-1500 • cadillacjacksresort.com	Mon. (\$20, 7p); Tue. (\$20, 7p); Wed. (\$20, 7p); Thurs. (\$20, 7p); Sun. (\$20, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; bad-beat tournament jackpot.
<b>LODGE AT DEADWOOD</b> (605) 571-2135 • deadwoodlodge.com	Mon. (\$12, 6:30p); Tue. (\$23, 6:30p); Wed. (\$45, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$34, 6:30p); Fri. (\$34, 6:30p); Sat. (\$23, 1p); Sun. (\$111, 2p); last Sun. of month (\$221, 2p).	Triple Poker Points (Wed., Fri. & Sat.).
<b>SALOON #10</b> (605) 578-3346 • saloon10.com	Tue.-Sun. (\$6 w/\$10 rebuy & \$3 add-on, 10:30a).	Bad-beat jackpot; win \$1K for quad tens.
<b>SILVERADO FRANKLIN</b> (605) 578-3670 • silveradocasino.com	Thurs. (\$88, 6:30p); Sat. (\$22, 3p); Sun. (\$44 w/\$20 add-on, 3p).	Pyramid player rewards (call for details).

## TEXAS

<b>KICKAPOO LUCKY EAGLE CASINO HOTEL</b> (830) 752-4545 • kickapoolumuckyeaglecasino.com	Super Tuesday has \$500 added to the prize pool (\$25, 7p); Thursday Throwdown (\$45, 7p); Sunday Showdown (\$120, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
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## WASHINGTON

<b>CLEARWATER CASINO</b> (360) 598-8700 • clearwatercasino.com	Daily (\$35, 11a); Wed. (\$55 w/\$20 add-on, 6p).	Daily Double Jackpot; royal flush jackpot; Lightning Strikes Jackpot; Thunder Rumbles Jackpot - call for details.
<b>LITTLE CREEK CASINO</b> (360) 427-7711 • little-creek.com	Mon. (\$25 w/\$20 rebuys, 7p); Tue. (\$40, 7p); Wed. (\$45, 7p); Thurs. (\$55, 7p); Fri. (\$110, 7p); Sat. KO (\$35, 5p); Sun. Omaha/8 (\$35, 5p).	High hands (Sat.-Sun., noon-3p), (Mon.-Wed., 9p-mid.) & (Mon.-Fri., noon-4p).
<b>MUCKLESHOOT CASINO</b> (253) 804-4444 • muckleshootcasino.com	Mon. (\$110, 7p); Tue. (\$150, 7p); Wed. & Thurs. (\$65, 7p); Fri. (\$35, noon); Sat. (\$40 w/rebuys, noon); 2nd Sun. of month (\$215, noon).	\$500 high hands (Sun.).
<b>NORTHERN QUEST CASINO</b> (509) 242-7000 • northernquest.com	Daily \$600 guar. (10:30a); Sun.-Thurs. (7p).	Beginner lessons available - call for details.
<b>SNOQUALMIE CASINO</b> (425) 888-1234 • snocasino.com	Monday-Saturday \$300 added (\$35, 10:30a).	Hot Seats; extra player points; call for details.
<b>TULALIP RESORT CASINO</b> (360) 716-6000 • tulalipresort.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$20, 10:30a); Mon. (\$40, 7p); Tue. (\$80, 7p); Thurs. (\$200, 7p); Fri. (\$77, 7p); Sat. \$3K guar. (\$40, 11a); Sun. \$10K guar. (\$110, 11a).	\$10K progressive bad-beat jackpot; high hands.

## WEST VIRGINIA

<b>HOLLYWOOD AT CHARLES TOWN</b> (800) 795-7001 • ctowntables.com	Daily at noon and 7p, including Sat. (\$325, noon & \$100+\$50 KO, 7p) and Sun. (\$100+\$50 KO, noon & \$75+\$25 KO, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands (daily).
<b>MOUNTAINEER RIVER POKER ROOM</b> (304) 387-8458 • mountaineerpoker.com	Mon. (\$35, 7:30p); Wed. (\$50, 10:30a) & seniors (\$75, 5p); Sun. (\$45, 2p).	High Hand Multiplier (Tue. & Thurs.); Match for Cash (Sun. & Wed.).

## WISCONSIN

<b>BAD RIVER LODGE CASINO</b> (715) 682-7121 • badriver.com	Open Wednesday (5p-2a) & Saturday (6p-2a).	Bad-beat jackpot. Call for information.
<b>HO-CHUNK GAMING AT NEKOOSA</b> (800) 782-4560 • ho-chunkgaming.com	Wed. (\$35, 6:30p); Sat. \$500 added (\$90, 2p); Tag Team event, June 11 (\$110, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>HO-CHUNK GAMING AT WISCONSIN DELLS</b> (608) 356-6210 • ho-chunkgaming.com	Tue. (\$55, 1p); Thurs. (\$55, 6:30p); Sat. (\$38 w/re-entries, 3p); Sun. (\$85, 1p); 1st Sun. of month (\$170, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>POTAWATOMI BINGO CASINO</b> (414) 645-6888 • paysbig.com	Wednesday (\$71, 6p); Saturday (\$220, noon); Sunday (\$120, 3p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em in hold'em which starts at four 10s being beaten.

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### HANDICAP SYSTEM FOR POKER?



After bowling a 300 game and nearly losing the pot to a bowler with a higher handicap, Chris wondered if poker could be equalized through a handicap system.

**CHRIS:** You're always bringing up this, "What will cause the next poker boom?" thing, so I'm wonder-

ing whether anyone has ever approached it this way for tournament poker. Clearly, I'm a better bowler than that guy, but if we were to bowl 50 games, take his average and take my average and base it on a handicap system, on the 51st game, we're equal. Is there a way to level the playing field in poker?

**SCOTT:** It would have to be something in a very specific scenario. From the time I was a kid and bowled and golfed, handicaps have been a "thing." So now to introduce it to someplace where it hasn't been, I think you're going to get some brush back from the better players. Poker players just don't like to start with more chips or fewer chips than other players. But it's interesting. There's probably something there somewhere.

### ACTION CLOCK DEBUTS



An Action Clock was used at the WPT's Tournament of Champions and it sounds like the reaction was largely positive. Players had 30 seconds to act on their hand, with four, 30-second extensions they can use at any time.

**SCOTT:** People are just tired of tankers. And it's become a real problem the past couple of years on the tournament circuit where someone just decides they want to spend three hours on a hand. It's like anything else that's trendy; people are like, "Hey, he's spending a lot of time on his hands, so I'm going to spend a lot of time on my hands." And the next thing you know, tournaments are lasting 47 days. I think this is an interesting development. But do you think this is a bastardization of the "gentlemen's agreement" of poker?

**CHRIS:** No, I don't. Tournaments are made by time. Without time, you don't have tournaments. So if you're going to manipulate that time, I don't see how it can be considered bastardizing. I love this idea. I think it's fantastic. I think you get a lot more hands in.

### WORLD CHAMP'S FAUX PAS

Reigning world champ **Joe McKeehan** is blaming the media for the World Series of Poker's decision to move event starting times to 11 a.m. this year. He went on to compare WSOP players to slaves.

**CHRIS:** I admit it; I'm responsible for the starting times moving to 11 a.m.! I said, "**Seth Palansky**, help us out!" If you don't want to listen to **Howard Stern**, don't listen to Howard Stern. If you don't want to play at 11 a.m., then don't play. And calling them "slaves" is incredibly insensitive. Last time I checked, slaves didn't have the choice to *not* do something.

**SCOTT:** It's just so mind-boggling because a bunch of media people are saying, "Huh? We're not in the room deciding on starting times." And even if we did, why do we care? I don't even understand why the media would want to do this, let alone why he thinks we have the power to do this. I'm just curious where this crazy idea came from. I gotta say, Joe, part of being a professional is being able to adapt to different things. If you don't like it at 11 a.m., maybe you go to bed an hour early? Seems like someone playing at your level should be able to make that kind of adjustment.



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