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## WSOP, then AUPT!

We never get tired of saying, "It's that time of year again!" Hope (of winning a bracelet) springs eternal. Most spend their year getting over their World Series of Poker disappointments from the year before, while the precious few 2013 winners get to revel in their accomplishments. Many more spend their year building a bankroll, planning their schedule and preparing for the trip of a lifetime.

This year, you have 65 chances to take home a bracelet from the Rio All-Suite Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas as things kick off May 27 and run through the 10-day \$10K main event, which begins July 5 and is paying at least \$10 million to the winner. The huge payday is no doubt bolstered by the return of online satellites in Nevada and New Jersey, a sign that things are starting to finally return to poker's pre-Black Friday popularity.

The 2014 WSOP schedule also includes the first Dealer's Choice event and celebrates the return of the \$1 million buy-in Big One for One Drop charity event, first won by **Antonio Esfandiari** two years ago. For complete information about this summer's series, go to [WSOP.com](#).

But if traveling to the desert in the summer isn't your thing, or if your bankroll is more modest, may we suggest the highly anticipated Ante Up Poker Tour championship series at Derby Lane in St. Petersburg, Fla., in late August? We are extremely excited about this major event, which runs Aug. 21-31, because it will be our first AUPT in our home state of Florida, where *Ante Up* got its start. Derby Lane, which has been a friend to *Ante Up* from Day 1, is the largest poker room in Central Florida and this AUPT event comes on the heels of Derby's incredibly successful PokerFest (recap Page 16). The AUPT at Derby Lane offers a variety of games, affordable buy-ins and the winner of the main event will be on our October cover. Look for more details in the coming months.

Speaking of the AUPT, the North Bay Poker Open just wrapped up and we held the presses to give you complete coverage from The 101 Casino in California. Please turn to Page 40 for all of the details, and many thanks to all of the participants and staff for making this a memorable series.

We'll see you at the tables.

— Christopher Cosenza and Scott Long



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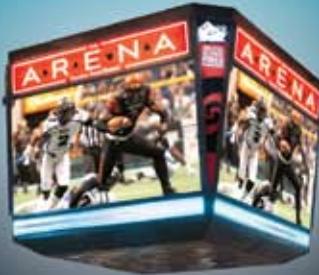


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# JAVA BEATS HUGE FIELD FOR WSOPC TITLE

The World Series of Poker Circuit, which appears to have replaced the annual Winnin' o' the Green tournament series, wrapped up in early April at the Bicycle Casino. This 24-event series had a prize pool of more than \$4.75 million, 12 ring events and boasted more than 13K entrants.


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Event 24, with three buy-in levels of \$160, \$550 and \$3K, had more than 1,100 entries. **Edison Shields** narrowly took first place in a chip chop over **Derrick Mokedi**. Even more impressive was the turnout for tournament director **Mo Fathipour**'s patented Mega Millions event, which had 6,101 entries for a \$1.74 million prize pool. Four players banked more than \$90K. **Linh Le** and **Sarkis Keshishia** came out on top with \$184,450 and \$160,418, respectively.

Canadian **Mike Leah** had a great series. He won Events 9 and 11, garnering player-of-the-series honors. **Nipun Java** won the

\$1,500 main event over 755 others, earning \$226,785, while **Shane "Shaniac" Schleger** was rewarded with \$139,820 for his second-place finish. Notable women making waves were **Tiffany Nguyen**, who earned more than \$28K for second in Event 2 and **Ruth Turobiner**, who won Event 17.



The DeepStacks Poker Tour stop at the Bicycle Casino begins the last week of May. It has eight events and more than \$500K in guarantees. This series is a little different than the others since it opens with the main event, which has a \$1,100 entry, a \$300K guarantee, 30,000 starting chips and **Mike Matusow** hosts.

Event 4 is a \$130 pot-limit Omaha/8 re-buy tournament, the only event in the series that's not no-limit hold'em. It runs May 27 and has a \$15K guarantee.

For more, check out the Bike's website closer to the event.  
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**Event 2 • \$365 NLHE**
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Cory Waaland, \$46,410

**Event 3 • \$580 NLHE**
**Entries: 107 • Pool: \$51,895**

Valentin Vornicu, \$18,170

**Event 4 • \$365 0/8**
**Entries: 171 • Pool: \$51,300**

Nguyen Tran, \$13,835

**Event 5 • \$365 NLHE**
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**Event 7 • \$365 6-Max**
**Entries: 170 • Pool: \$51K**

William Wolf, \$14,285

**Event 8 • \$365 NLHE**
**Entries: 167 • Pool: \$50,100**

Shahen Martirosian, \$13,535

**Event 9 • \$580 NLHE**
**Entries: 121 • Pool: \$60,500**

Mike Leah, \$16,945

**Ev. 10 • \$1,125 NLHE**
**Entries: 92 • Pool: \$92K**

Edward Liu, \$27,600

**Event 11 • \$365 NLHE**
**Entries: 198 • Pool: \$59,400**

Mike Leah, \$15,440

**\$1,675 Main Event**
**Entries: 756 • Pool: \$1,13M**

Nipun Java, \$226,785

## Swing ends with Tran winning at Thunder

The World Poker Tour's three-stop California Swing recently culminated at Thunder Valley Casino Resort in Lincoln with the Rolling Thunder. This swing, which hit three properties in a 500-mile radius in less than a month (March 1-19), allowed for players to play in all three events as 105 entered all three main events, including local NorCal heroes **J.C. Tran**, **Antonio Esfandiari** and **Phil Hellmuth**.


**GARRETT ROTH**  
**NORCAL**

The California Swing also had some other perks besides ballooned prize pools and the greatest road trip view in the country. It also offered a point-based incentive for those who entered all three tournaments. The ultimate winner was **Michael Rocco**, who finished third at the Commerce's LAPC (\$423K) and 21st at Rolling Thunder (\$13K) to accrue the most points in the swing series. For this accomplishment, he won 10 free nights at the Commerce, five free nights in a Thunder Valley suite and he will be a "shooting star" in next year's Bay 101.

Each of the tournaments brought out some incredible players and the winners were some of the most respected tournament players on the circuit.

The LAPC went to one of the greatest online tournament

players in the world, **Chris Moorman**. He took home a cool \$1 million and can claim his place as a WPT champion. Moorman is no stranger to winning tournaments, having won more than \$11 million lifetime online. This event was special, however, being his first live major win.

The next series was the Bay 101 Shooting Star Classic, which drew its largest field ever with 718 entries. This unique bounty-on-the-pros event was won by well-respected live and online pro **James Carroll**. It was only a matter of time before Carroll won a major of this caliber and he made it count, winning the largest amount of the California Swing, \$1.2 million.

The last stop, Rolling Thunder, had a storybook feel with hometown legend Tran dominating his way through 464 entries, winning \$302K. It was his second WPT title and he got to do it in his own city in front of family and friends. Tran has amassed \$11 million in career winnings.

Even with the California Swing being in its first year, it's being commended by some of the top pros in the game. With the series being run by the best tournament directors in the world, players are able to experience the finest that the tournament poker world has to offer.

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CALIFORNIA



Mark Jones won \$90K at Agua Caliente.

## JONES TAKES CARE OF FINE FIELD FOR TITLE

**M**ark Jones had his work cut out for him at Heartland Poker Tour's latest stop at Agua Caliente Casino Resort Spa. The business owner from Canyon Lake, Calif., faced a tough field of 260-plus players, including top pros **Phil Hellmuth**, **Greg Raymer** and HPT Player of the Year **Allen Kessler**.



"I am a recreational player," Jones said before filming began at the final table for two episodes of the HPT. "So I have lots of challenges ahead of me."

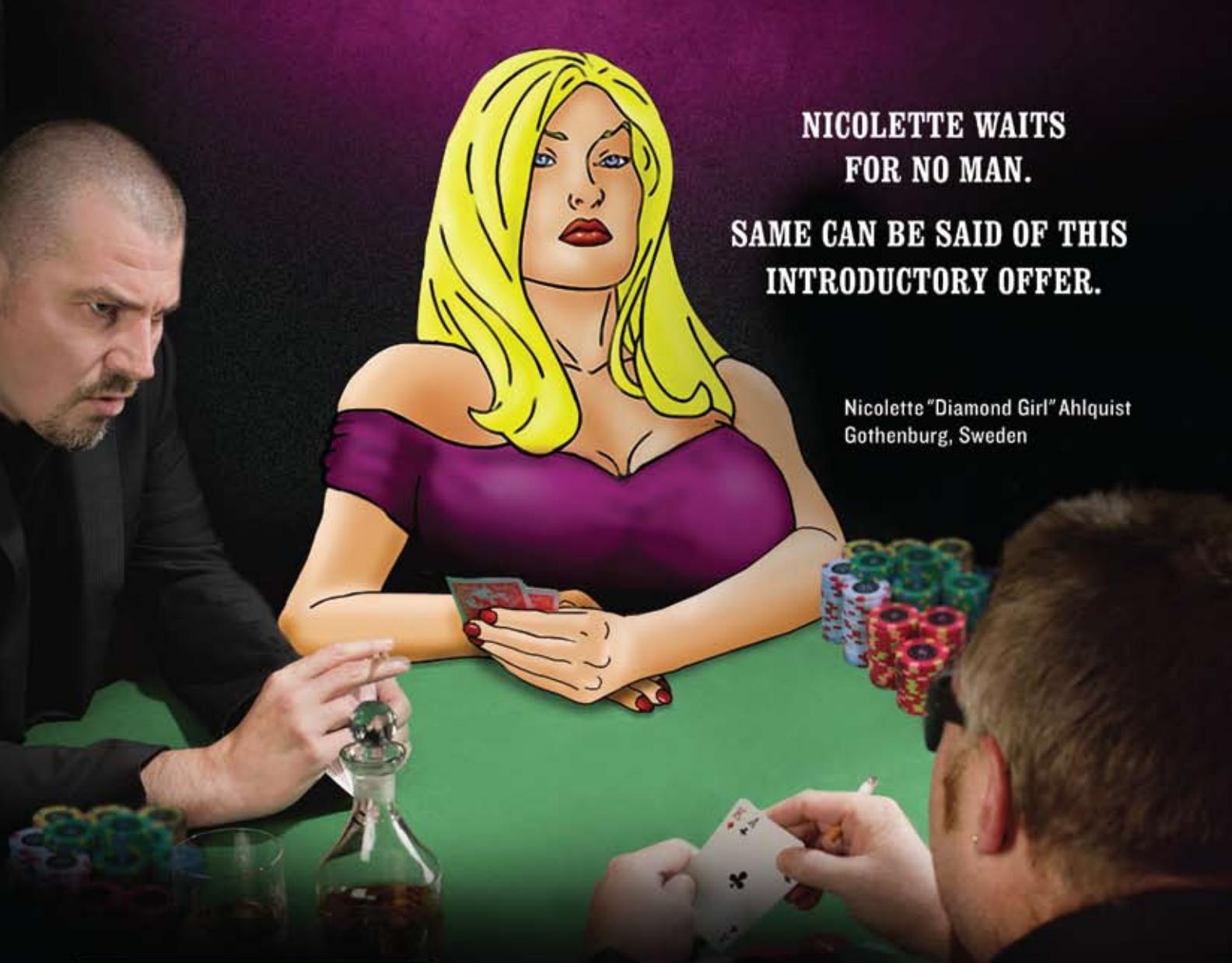
He rose to the occasion to claim the title and \$90,169 from the \$375K prize pool. "It's certainly a life-changing experience," he said of his victory.

**Lily Kiletto** from Manasota Beach, Fla., was looking for her first victory after racking up 21 cashes and a handful of final tables, but she had to settle for second and \$55,607.

They were followed by **Ron Hauser** of Canada (\$37,572); **Dan Heimiller** of Las Vegas (\$26,676); **Triet Nguyen** of San Francisco (\$20,665); **Chris DeMaci** from Shandon, Calif., (\$16,907); **Larry Kenzy** from Palm Desert, Calif., (\$14,090); **Chris Karambinis** of Chicago (\$11,835) and **Stanislav Barshak** from Northbrook, Ill., (\$9,769). The event paid 27 spots.

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# WEBER EARNS TOP SPOT AT ISLE'S BATTLES

We all know the Florida poker scene has taken off the past four years and the Seminole Hard Rock Open in August with its \$10 million guarantee turned things on its ear. At one time, the Isle Casino's poker room in Pompano Beach was the big boy among parimutuel rooms, but with the opening of bestbet Jacksonville's 70-table room and the continued growth of Palm Beach Kennel Club, the Isle is not a lock to be the top revenue producer in the state every month.

**DAVE LEMMON  
SOUTH FLORIDA**  
Besides the World Poker Tour events and World Series of Poker Circuit, the Isle is trying to hang on to its place in the sun with four major series each year. But with new management in charge at the Isle (**Stan Strickland** replaced **Mike Smith** in April), major tournaments seem to be priced more for the recreational market.

The Isle's main event in its Battles at the Beach series in March went head-to-head with the WPT Jacksonville bestbet Open's main event, offering those coming to Florida after the WPT California Swing a clear choice. The Jax event had a \$3,500 buy-in, while Strickland decided to drop the buy-in from last year's similar level for the BAB main to \$1,090 while only dropping the guarantee slightly from \$500K in 2013 to \$400K this year. Both events did well, with the bestbet tourney reaching a prize pool around \$825K thanks to 258 players, while the Isle attracted 510 entries, which generated a \$510K prize pool, well surpassing the guarantee.

So while the WPT event may have drawn more big-name players from a national level, the Isle tourney drew Central and South Florida players in droves, including **Jason Weber** from St. Petersburg, a full-time health therapist and part-time player. For Weber, it was an easy decision to head to Pompano to spend a little vacation time with his wife, **Anna**, and it paid off handsomely with his biggest poker payday.

"I try to play as much as I can in the Tampa area, but we like to travel to South Florida occasionally for good events," said Weber, who collected \$115K for his victory, as he agreed to a chop with **Adam "Roothlus" Levy** of Coconut Creek after nearly two hours of grueling, heads-up play. Levy took home \$95K after the chop.

Now that he has a bit of a bankroll, Weber assured me he would be driving to Hollywood for the WPT Seminole Hard Rock Showdown (which was still running at press time), as he continued to fulfill his dream of becoming a full-time player.

I talked with some local pros about the changes at the Isle



over the past year and many identified a different philosophy, including smaller buy-ins.

**Chris Bolek**, a Boca Raton pro who won the Isle Classic in 2013 when Smith was director, has noticed the differences as well.

"It's still a great room and I love playing cash games there," Bolek said. "The big buy-ins bring in a lot of big-name pros, and I'm not sure we can expect that anymore."

No information has been released regarding the buy-ins, guarantees and structures for Isle's biggest series, the Florida State Poker Championship, usually in late July or August. In 2011, that main event posted a \$1 million guarantee (unheard of at the time) and a \$5,300 buy-in. Because of the risk of an overlay, it provided Smith with a few sleepless nights at the time, but now those types of events are commonplace at the Hard Rock.

The Hard Rock opened the Showdown series with a \$560 event (with six opening sessions) that held a seven-figure guarantee, \$1 million prize pool that rivaled the Isle's largest guarantee. **Dan Piela** of Wheaton, Ill., was the winner when he agreed to a three-way chop with **Michael Ortiz** of Hialeah and **Bryan Green** of Miami, while 2012 Ante Up POY **Darryll Fish** also made the final table, finishing eighth. Piela took home the top share of the prize money, collecting \$144,294.

That ambitious tournament structure for the first of 20 events got the series off to an exciting start, but the Hard Rock fell just short of the 2,000 entries required to reach the guarantee, ending up with 1,966 entries and causing a \$17K overlay.



**ANTE UP CRUISE:** The Club 52 Poker Room at Melbourne Greyhound Park is hosting a \$125 Super Stack tournament May 17 at 1 p.m. where an Ante Up Poker Cruise package for two will be awarded. The poker cruise sails out of Port Canaveral, Fla., to the Bahamas. For more on the cruise, go to [anteupcruises.com](http://anteupcruises.com) and for more on the tournament be sure to call the poker room (321) 259-9800 or see the ad on Page 53.

**GULFSTREAM CHARITY:** Gulfstream Park hosted its fourth Florida Derby charity tournament March 26, an annual event that benefits the Permanently Disabled Jockey's Fund. The 110-player tournament, which guaranteed \$10K, raised more than \$7,400 for the foundation. **Chris Gatis** won the event and \$4,689. Gulfstream Park jockey **Manoel Cruz** was eighth for \$461. For more info or to make a donation to the fund, visit [pdjf.org](http://pdjf.org).

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# POKERFEST ROCKS AT DERBY, AUPT NEXT

Derby Lane, Hard Rock and the Silks hosted some exciting tournaments in March, so I thought I should recap them here.

**DERBY LANE:** The Pokerfest at Derby Lane had, among others, two multiday tournaments, a \$10K guarantee, which had a \$40 entry and helped me record my first multiday cash, and a \$350 main event. Both events smashed the guarantees and had exciting play throughout the series.

The main event returned for a third day, which I tweeted live. **Steven Jenkins** of Lakewood Ranch captured the title and \$31K. He took charge of the table when he called two all-ins with Q-Q vs. K-K and A-K. An ace on the flop put **Eric Moffet** ahead in the hand over **Devis Mulla**'s K-K, but a queen on the turn sent more than 10 million chips Jenkins' way.

After **Anthony Roque** exited third, the heads-up play between **Andrew Delacroix** and Jenkins had a little back and forth. However, Jenkins made a nice call with middle pair to end the match.

On the heels of this successful series, *Ante Up* and Derby Lane have partnered to bring you an *Ante Up Poker Tour* championship series Aug. 21-31. More details will be released



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as we get closer to the event, but the winner of the main event will be featured on the cover of the October issue of *Ante Up*. Stay tuned.

**HARD ROCK:** The quarterly WPT Regionals have become a staple at the Hard Rock in Tampa. For the second series in a row, the main event wasn't chopped. Las Vegas grinder **Jean Gaspard** took down the \$109,613 top prize by besting **Chris Dombrowski** for the title.

There was a déjà vu moment for Tampa grinders **Natasha Barbour** and **Barbara Cardin**, who both made the final tables of the \$100K opening event and the main.

Each time, Cardin bested her best friend by a few spots. In Event 1, Barbour left in 10th while Cardin was sixth. Barbour finished eighth in the main while Cardin was third. Cardin credits their friendship as a main reason for helping her game and vice versa.

**SILKS:** The Tampa Bay Downs poker room held the second of four PPC championships and it was a successful event, sending many more players to Aruba.

I took a run at the main event but was cut short. However, local **Norbert Kara**, known for playing a happy-go-lucky game, took down the PPC title, \$18K and a \$4,500 package to Aruba.

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## BESTBET REGULAR HIREZI WINS JAX WPT

Floridians and amateurs spent most of the month of March dominating the major tour stops at Jacksonville and Daytona.

It seems most of the time the final table of a big tournament is filled with pros and the occasional local looking to find a piece of the poker spotlight. At bestbet Jacksonville's \$3,500 WPT main event in March, **Nabil "Doc" Hirezi** went into the final six as chipleader.



**CHARLES ALLISON**  
**NORTH FLORIDA**

The dentist with a passion for singing has been a regular at all of the bestbet properties for as long as they've been open, playing tournament poker for close to a decade. In the last day of the main, he sat alongside local cash-game aficionado **Peter Le** and they would be Jacksonville's best hope for the first local champion.

The hurdles that they'd have to jump wouldn't be easy. Pros **Jordan Cristos** and **James Calderaro** were looking to become the first players to win two WPT events this season. Calderaro and Hirezi would be the last men standing in the hunt for the \$206K first-place prize. Calderaro is hardly a stranger to final tables; the Florida native finished second at bestbet Jacksonville's televised WPT event in 2012 and in the HPT main event at Daytona in 2013.

But it would be a one-outer that would bring the win home for Hirezi. They were all-in preflop as Calderaro held A-K and Doc had pocket 10s. Calderaro flopped a king on a board with three hearts. The turn was another heart, leaving Doc with any heart to chop and only the 10♦ to win, and it came as Hirezi bested nearly 260 players to bring home Jacksonville's first WPT trophy. In the series leading up to the event, there were notable wins by Jacksonville local pro **Eddy Mrokzakowski**, DBKC HPT final-table player **Jeremiah Pierce** and WSOP main event champ **Greg Raymer**.

**DBKC:** Hirezi wasn't the only Jacksonville native to do well under the scorching lights of the final table. Over the past year, **Dalton Mills** has been making a name for himself all the way across the peninsula and he'd start 2014 by making a strong drive toward his first HPT main-event win. Out of the nine final-table players, the top three were all from Florida, continuing the pattern of dominance from locals. Dalton would fall short of his first major win, taking home almost \$50K. It would be amateur **Wes Holland** who would pocket the \$80,993 first-place prize. Holland is a pool builder from Altamonte Springs.

The three-handed battle between Mills, Holland and **Saum Sharifi** lasted 67 hands. Sharifi ultimately made his exit with A-3 against Mills' Q-5. A queen came on the river to eliminate the Longwood, Fla., resident in third place for \$33,750.

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5/1	Thu	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
5/2	Fri	12pm	#1	No Limit Hold'em Day 1B	\$350	40 min	15,000	
5/2	Fri	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
5/3	Sat	12pm	#1	No Limit Hold'em Day 1C	\$350	40 min	15,000	
5/3	Sat	3pm	#2	All in or Fold Hold'em W/ \$50 Bounties	\$200	20 min	10,000	
5/3	Sat	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
5/4	Sun	12pm	#1	Event #1 Final Day				\$100,000
5/4	Sun	12pm	#3	Limit Omaha 8 or Better	\$240	30 min	10,000	
5/4	Sun	3pm	#4	No Limit Hold'em	\$240	30 min	10,000	
5/4	Sun	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
5/5	Mon	12pm	#5	No Limit Hold'em Flight #1	\$200	30 min	12,000	
5/5	Mon	3pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
5/5	Mon	7pm	#5	No Limit Hold'em Flight #2	\$200	30 min	12,000	
5/6	Tue	12pm	#5	No Limit Hold'em Flight #3	\$200	30 min	12,000	
5/6	Tue	3pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
5/6	Tue	7pm	#5	No Limit Hold'em Flight #4	\$200	30 min	12,000	
5/7	Wed	12pm	#5	Event #5 Final Day				\$50,000
5/7	Wed	12pm	#6	No Limit Hold'em W/ \$100 Bounties	\$350	30 min	10,000	
5/7	Wed	3pm	#7	No Limit Hold'em	\$240	30 min	10,000	
5/7	Wed	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
5/8	Thu	12pm	#8	No Limit Hold'em	\$570	30 min	15,000	
5/8	Thu	3pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
5/8	Thu	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$340	20 min	10,000	
5/9	Fri	12pm	Main Event	No Limit Hold'em Main Event Day 1A	\$1,500	60 min	20,000	
5/9	Fri	3pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$185	20 min	10,000	
5/9	Fri	7pm	S.S.	No Limit Hold'em Super Satellite	\$340	20 min	10,000	
5/10	Sat	12pm	Main Event	No Limit Hold'em Main Event Day 1B	\$1,500	60 min	20,000	
5/10	Sat	3pm	#9	Pot Limit Omaha W/ \$100 Re-Buys	\$200	30 min	2,500	
5/10	Sat	7pm	#10	No Limit Hold'em TURBO	\$240	15 min	10,000	
5/11	Sun	12pm	Main Event	Day 2		60 min		
5/11	Sun	3pm	#11	No Limit Hold'em	\$240	30 min	10,000	
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# BISSON WINS WINTER CLASSIC AFTER CHOP

Talking Stick Resort's third annual Winter Classic again put together a solid field playing for the second largest prize pool of the year in Arizona.

The \$330 tournament, held March 15-17 in Talking Stick's Arena Poker Room, drew 456 players, but \$300 rebuys and add-ons drove the prize pool to \$236,100.



**BRIAN PEDERSEN**  
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After two opening flights, 58 players moved on to the final day with only 50 spots making the money. That made for a tense start to the day, but the money bubble didn't take that long to burst, setting off a wave of eliminations.

The first players knocked out earned \$944, but the real money didn't start showing up until the final two tables. That's also where some of the more well-known players in the field started popping up on the pay charts, with multiple World Series of Poker Circuit casher **Steve Massey** busting in 17th place for \$2,196.

With **Kevin Camping**'s elimination in 11th, earning him \$2,668, the final table was set with the remaining 10 players fighting for \$174K.

Phoenix pro **Ryan Hughes** was knocked out in fifth, adding \$13,576 to his more than \$1.6 million in career tournament earnings, while Chandler's **An Tran** (not to be confused with the

WSOP bracelet-winner) went out fourth for \$16,173.

The three remaining players (**Henri Bisson**, **Daniel Hirleman** and **Tony Nguyen**) ended up negotiating a chop that gave Bisson the top payout at \$40K. Hirleman earned \$35K to follow up his third-place finish in last year's Arizona State Championship, while Nguyen was third (\$33,690).

With the Classic in the books, preparations are under way for the 10th annual Arizona State Poker Championship, scheduled for Aug. 15-19. Last year's event drew a record 1,299 players.

**NEW CASINO:** The Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe announced in late March it is planning to build a new casino/hotel complex that is projected to open in winter 2016.

The 12-acre property is on the north side of Highway 69, just east of the tribe's existing gaming operations, Bucky's Casino and Yavapai Casino. The new complex likely will consolidate the other gaming operations into one facility.

The new casino is expected to have 50,000 square feet of gaming space, as well as a hotel with 60-80 rooms, restaurants and convention/event areas.

The tribe hopes to break ground on the new project this fall, but in the meantime the Bucky's poker room will continue to spread a variety of games and offer several weekly tournaments.

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Casino Del Sol held its quarterly freeroll tournament March 11-15, with 148 entrants vying for a \$25K prize pool that came from the casino's promotional fund. The tournament was open to any cash player who logged at least 50 hours of live play during a two-month period, with every five hours more earning them more chips.



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The tourney started with three opening flights and survivors advanced to the March 15 final round. The top 20 finishers earned money, with 11-20 collecting \$300.

That left \$22K for the final table, including \$6,250 for first. However, all 10 final-table players quickly put the tourney to an end after agreeing to a chop based on chip count. The big winner was **Adam Woods**, who pocketed \$4,659 as chipleader, while **John McKethen** was second and earned \$3,432.

Everyone at the final table won at least \$568, not bad for a freeroll.

Casino Del Sol holds a variation of this freeroll roughly every three months, and normally the prize pool is cash. However, the next event will be awarding \$20K in seats to the World Series of Poker, including an entry into the \$10K main event.

Qualifying for the next freeroll runs through May 12, with the event scheduled for May 13-17. Players earn double hours on weekdays between 2 a.m. and 7 a.m.

**WILD HORSE PASS:** The biweekly loyalty freerolls at Phoenix's southernmost casino keep drawing large fields, with the first 120 players who log at least 20 hours during a period get a shot at a \$5K prize pool.

The tournaments are every other Saturday at 2 p.m., with May's events scheduled for May 10 and 24.

**AK-CHIN:** Harrah's Ak-Chin in Maricopa has resumed its WSOP qualifiers, giving players two chances each week to satellite into bracelet events at this summer's festival in Las Vegas.

On Wednesday nights, a \$65 tourney will give away seats to a \$1,500 event, while on Sundays players can qualify for a \$1K bracelet event for a \$50 buy-in. Both tournaments include rebuys and dealer appreciation add-ons. In addition to WSOP seats, winners will receive cash.

Ak-Chin also is scheduled to hold a tournament May 17-18 that will award at least one seat into the main event. —Email Brian at [anteupsouthernaz@gmail.com](mailto:anteupsouthernaz@gmail.com).

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An Omaha/8 tournament is May 18 with \$100 buy-in and \$100 added per table. On Memorial Day (May 26), there will be a \$40 rebuy event with unlimited rebuys the first hour, an optional \$40 add-on at the end of the first hour and \$100 added per table.

Finally, the \$150 Last Saturday of the Month deepstack tournament will be May 31.

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## YILMAZ EDGES REMMEL FOR ATLANTIS TITLE, \$42K

The recent 31-event series Atlantis Casino met or exceeded all guarantees as players such as Hall of Famer **Tom McEvoy** and **Vince Burgio** stayed throughout the week to play multiple events, and Lon McEachern made the quick drive from his new home base in Sacramento to play in the \$240 mega.

The nine-day series began March 21 with the opening \$50K guarantee attracting 196 runners for a prize pool of \$57,036. **Daniel Schneider** took first place and \$14,950.

But the story was **Erkut Yilmaz** of Sacramento and **Vincent Remmel** of Truckee, Calif., who took out nearly half of the main-event field on Day 2. Remmel started the day around fourth in chips, but he quickly took the lead when his Q-Q held and won a massive pot vs. **Daniel Honig** and eliminated **Damon Shulenberger**. Heads-up came down to Remmel and Yilmaz, who battled for more than three hours for the title.

In the end, it came down to A-2 vs. K-5, and Yilmaz flopped a five for the trophy and \$42,665. Remmel pocketed \$34,467.

"It really was a great event," said Remmel, who moved to the Lake Tahoe area about 12 years ago and has been on a good local run as of late, finishing fourth at a recent Peppermill event in Reno. "The Atlantis put on a good tournament with an amazing structure."

Assistant manager **Keith Dames** was pleased with the results and outcome of the series. "Beating the main-event guarantee by over \$50K was incredible. A big 'thank you' to the Reno-Tahoe locals as well as those who traveled for this event."

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## PACIFIC NORTHWEST

### Muckleshoot's Spring Classic returns

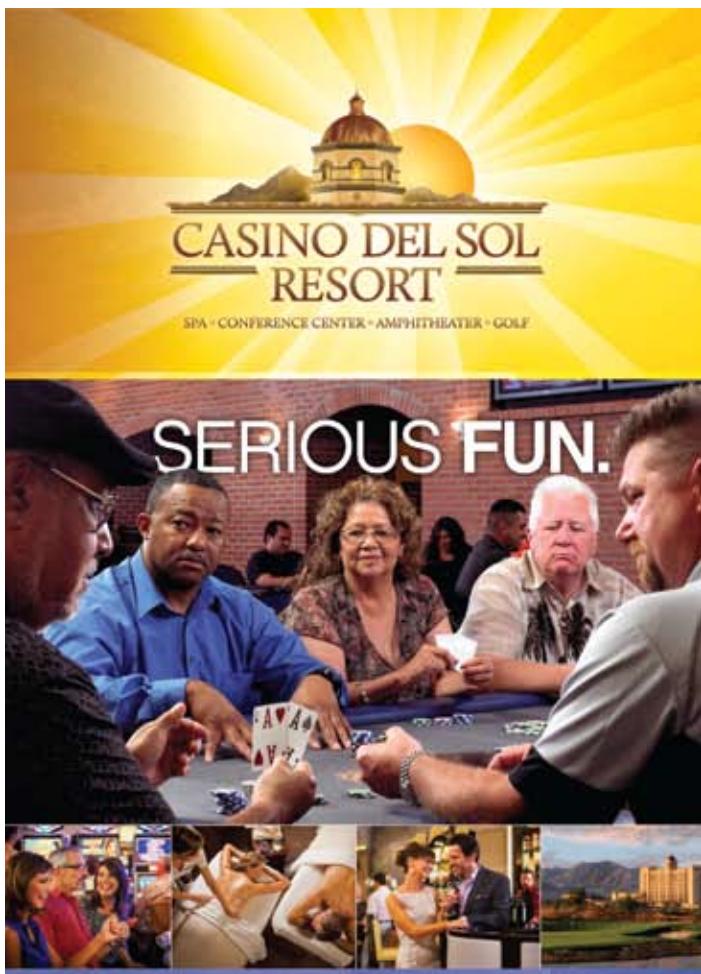
The Spring Classic at Muckleshoot Casino returned for the first time in two years, much to the delight of its players, and wrapped up March 23.

The \$300 Omaha/8 event had \$5K added, attracting 101 players as **Mike Helander** of Kent, Wash., and **James Ahern** of Seattle chopped for \$8,050 each.

The \$300 no-limit hold'em event also had \$5K added, drawing 280 entries as **Ken Hennum** of Seattle won the title and \$22K. **Richard Johnson** of Auburn, Wash., was second for \$14K and he earned best overall player for the series for another \$5K.

The \$500 NLHE event had \$15K added, drew 245 entries and **Mark Smith** of Seattle bested 244 players \$35K. **Jesus Gonzalez** of Wenatchee, Wash., was second (\$22,500).

The \$750 main event had \$25K added, which brought in 201 players as **Tai Nguyen** of Seattle captured the title and \$42K. **Lance Dodd** of Silverdale, Wash., was second (\$35K). ♠



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3	5/21/14	12:00 PM			
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# STILL TIME TO WIN WSOP SEATS AROUND TOWN

With the World Series of Poker starting this month, several rooms around town are offering inexpensive ways to earn seats to bracelet events.

Flamingo and the Quad are adding seats to their twice-weekly freerolls, which take place Mondays and Fridays. Only six and eight hours, respectively, are needed to qualify. Everyone at the final table of each freeroll gets \$200. The first-place finisher earns a seat to a \$1,500 WSOP event and the runner-up gets a \$1K WSOP seat. Hours at both rooms combine.

Harrah's is adding a WSOP seat to its weekly freeroll. Twelve hours are needed to qualify for the Sunday tournament. The top 10 finishers get \$500 and the top two each get a \$1K WSOP event seat.

**ORLEANS:** The popular locals room has announced its Orleans Open schedule, which runs May 24-June 1. All events start at 2 p.m. and feature \$225 buy-ins (12,500 starting stack) for the early part of the schedule. Featured are no-limit hold'em, Omaha/8, PLO and ROSE (HORSE without the hold'em).

On May 30, the buy-ins go to \$330 (15K stack) for NLHE and Omaha/8. The main event on June 1 is \$540 (20K stack). All events feature an optional \$10 add-on, which gets 2,500 extra chips for the \$225 events and 5K for the larger buy-ins. The Orleans is offering tournament players special room rates, starting at \$35 a night mid week.

The Orleans recently changed its Thursday noon tournament to \$125 for a 12,500 starting stack with 30-minute levels. The blinds start at 50-100, but it's a player-friendly structure. Antes kick in on the sixth level, where the blinds are 200-400. The Orleans is clearly trying to lure some players away from the popular, early afternoon tournaments on the Strip that are similarly priced.

**POKER PLUS AT STATIONS:** Players at Stations Casinos are qualifying for the \$300K freeroll that will take place at Texas Station on June 28-29. Players need 60 hours of live play by June 15 to qualify, and play at all six Stations rooms (Red Rock, Green Valley Ranch, Palace Station, Santa Fe Station, Boulder Station and Texas Station) is combined.

**BOULDER STATION:** Every local Omaha player in Vegas is familiar with the wild \$4-\$8 game at Boulder Station. Visitors who love the game should plan a visit. The game has a \$1-\$2 kill and only a \$40 minimum buy-in. There are multiple tables

of it going strong day and night. The pots are huge; you won't believe it's a \$4-\$8 game. There's also a bad-beat jackpot specific to Omaha, a Steel Wheel bonus on Wednesdays and a \$500 bonus to the player who makes the best Omaha hand on Sundays, Mondays and Thursdays.

The room also spreads \$2-\$4 and \$4-\$8 hold'em, as well as a \$1-\$2 NLHE game that usually runs on weekends. Boulder was one of the last rooms in Vegas to allow smoking, but it went smoke-free last year.

**MGM GRAND:** MGM has added a 10 p.m. turbo tournament Sunday through Thursdays. It has the same structure (\$50 buy-in, 10K starting stack, 10-minute levels) as its 2 p.m. daily.

MGM also has revised its promotions. The cash drawings are twice a day, four days a week (Monday through Thursday) at 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. The qualifying period for an entry ticket is four hours before the drawing with a flush or better needed to earn a ticket. Prizes range from \$100 to \$1K.

High-hand bonuses are featured 24/7. Winners get to draw a cash prize that's between \$50 and \$1K for quads, \$150 and \$3K for a straight flush and \$500 and \$5K for royals.

**WYNN:** Brandon Allen of Florida took first place and \$80K in the \$5,200 championship event at the Wynn Classic. Harrison Beach (\$70K) and Joseph Tehan (\$64K), both from Las Vegas, took second and third. Eighty-six entrants resulted in a \$417K prize pool.

In an unusual move, on the third day of what was scheduled to be a four-day event, the five remaining players decided to finish the tournament that night and unanimously agreed to reduce the remaining levels from 90 to 30 minutes.

**CAESARS PALACE:** First place in the championship event of the Hoops and Hold'em series went to Arizona's Nathan York for a \$9,300 purse. The \$350 tournament had 135 entrants and a \$39K prize pool. Las Vegas' John Robertson earned \$6,600 for second and France's Arnaud Blesz took home \$4,800 for third.

**VENETIAN:** The schedule for Deep Stack Extravaganza III has been released. The series runs from May 22-July 15. It features more than 70 tournaments and \$5.2 million in guaranteed prize pools.

The \$5K heads-up event with a \$75K guarantee will be June 22. The main event will have two starting flights on July 12-13. It has a \$5K buy-in and a \$1 million guarantee.

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# AGE CAN'T STOP MARSHALL ON CIRCUIT

**W**ho is the oldest person chasing and grinding the circuit? Until someone steps forward, my vote goes to my buddy **Cary Marshall**, 64, from Pottsboro, Texas.



**JOHN D SHORT**  
**S. OKLAHOMA**

In addition to being a pro player, he has a refrigeration business in Alaska. At press time, he was tied for 43rd in points in the annual chase for one of the 50 at-large qualifiers to the World Series of Poker National Championship.

"I started playing poker as a kid and was a steady loser for the next 40 years," he said, "until I got involved in a home game in Maui with four really good players who taught me the real art of poker."

Then he got on PokerStars and grossed more than \$65K a year part time for a couple of years. After making more money playing poker than at his real job in 2012, he threw his hat into the ranks of pro poker players.

With more than \$420K in career live tournament earnings, four titles and two WSOPC rings, he has crushed a lot of the young guns grinding the circuit these days and carries the torch for a lot of us old guys.

He is so passionate about the game that he headed to Cherokee, N.C. to play in the latest circuit event to garner some more

points for his second national championship quest. He won the Lake Tahoe WSOPC main in 2012 to qualify for the event.

Lake Tahoe has been good to Cary as he won his second WSOPC ring in the pot-limit Omaha event this season. For these reasons, he named his new canine traveling companion Tahoe (after a suggestion from **Josh Wilgoren**, a mutual friend and well-known poker circuit dealer).

I had the pleasure of virtual railing him online during last summer's WSOP main event, where after five days he placed 71st for \$103K.

He considers that his most fulfilling poker achievement after having outlasted 6,281 players. He is liked by any players who know him and absolutely adored by all of the traveling dealers. Best of luck to Marshall in his endeavor to qualify for the national event and his poker career, unless we're heads-up for the title.

**CHOCTAW:** The \$1 million Spring Classic at Choctaw Casino Resort was kicking off at press time (April 3-13) with a \$50K-added best-all-around-player contest for the first 27 events. Event 1 was a \$350 NLHE event with 220 entries and I made the final table but busted 10th. Stay tuned for all of the results in our next issue.

— Email John at [anteupjohndshort@gmail.com](mailto:anteupjohndshort@gmail.com).

## Hard Rock rocking and Hollywood qualifying

**M**y latest poker road trip led me to Hard Rock Casino in Tulsa on March 22. Action was very good as the 12-table room was busy spreading \$1-\$2 and \$2-\$5 no-limit hold'em, \$2-\$5 pot-limit Omaha and \$2-\$4 limit hold'em.



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**HOLLYWOOD CASINO AT KANSAS SPEEDWAY:** A Hollywood Poker Open \$280 buy-in qualifying tournament will run May 30-June 1.

Five players are guaranteed to win a trip to compete in the \$2,500 HPO Championship slated for June 27-29 at the M Resort in Las Vegas.

There will be \$65 satellites into the \$280 qualifier on May 3, 8, 10, 19 and 22. Then 70 players will play flights on May 30 and June 1. The top 10 from each flight will return June 1 to play for the trips.

**OZARK CHAMPIONSHIPS:** Final results for the Ozark Poker Cham-



pionships at Cherokee Casino West Siloam Springs (March 7-16) came shortly after press time for the April issue. The series featured a \$550 main event that had a \$50K guarantee as **Terry Presley** of Huntsville, Ark., took down the tournament and \$14,840. The main event had 112 entries, surpassing the guarantee by \$6K.

The other NLHE event winners were **Kisston Mercer** (Event 5, \$1,660); **Roberts Braden** (Event 6, \$1,250), **Jerry Larkin** (Event 7, \$2,718), **Robert "Buck" Conway** (Event 8, \$2,135) and **Jayma Everhard**, (Event 12, \$773).

**HPT IN K.C.:** Arguably the most significant event in the Kansas City area is running at Ameristar Kansas City. Having begun April 25, the Heartland Poker Tour is making its first stop in the area.

The tournament schedule includes daily slates of qualifiers into the \$1,650 main event, seven other tour events including six-handed and survivor with \$150-\$230 buy-ins and \$100 nightly events.

The main event wraps up the series with three Day 1s on May 2-3. The televised final table is scheduled for May 5. Pinnacle Entertainment completed its acquisition of Ameristar Casinos in August after acquiring the HPT when it purchased bankrupt Federated Sports + Entertainment in 2012.

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## ELIA EARNS LIVE CLASSIC TITLE, \$56K AFTER A CHOP

In Maryland's first major series, Maryland Live Casino hosted its inaugural \$1 Million Live Poker Classic, culminating in the \$400K guarantee main event, which **Kevin Elia** of Baltimore captured after there was a final-table chop.

Elia took home \$56,370 after besting 130 players in the \$3,500 event, which was part of the nine-tournament series. **Minho Choe** was runner-up, earning \$49K.

But there was another event on March 24-25 that grabbed a lot of attention at this series, *Poker Night In America*, which featured a mix of pros and locals in a TV cash game, which debuted April 27 on Comcast SportsNet Mid-Atlantic and other cable outlets.

Several notables were on the felt, including local hero and 2012 world champ **Greg Merson**, **Gavin Smith**, **David "ODB" Baker**, **Matt Glantz**, **Tom Schneider**, **Christian Harder**, **Jason Somerville** and **Danielle Andersen**. Local favorites **Darvin Moon**, who finished second in the 2009 WSOP, and **Steve Dannenmann**, who finished second in the 2005 WSOP, played, too.

**Avi Rubin**, a professor at Johns Hopkins and one of the foremost authorities on software security and hacking, sat in with the pros and managed to make a profit.

"I had an incredible time," Rubin said. "I hope to do it again."

**HPO:** Hollywood Casino Perryville is giving away two seats to the Hollywood Poker Open in Las Vegas at the M Resort in June. Play 80 hours between April 1-May 31 and you earn a free entry into the qualifying tournament on June 4.

If you don't have enough hours, you can buy in for \$125. First and second place in the tournament will get a seat in the HPO tournament valued at \$2,500 and \$1K spending money. Third place and beyond will be paid based on size of prize pool from the \$125 buy-ins.

**ANTE UP CRUISE:** Dover Downs Hotel & Casino in Dover, Del., will award an Ante Up Poker Cruise package to the winner of a \$59 buy-in tournament on May 14. The tournament begins at 6:15 p.m., with late registration open through 8:15. Players start with 7,500 units and levels last 20 minutes.

First place wins an Ante Up Poker Cruise oceanview package for up to two people on the July 28 sailing out of Port Canaveral, Fla.

Second place is guaranteed \$300 and players placing third through seventh are guaranteed \$100. Additional positions may be paid based on the size of the prize pool.

On May 3, Dover Downs will give everyone playing in the poker room a \$10 ticket for the Kentucky Derby. Ten players will receive a \$100 ticket.

**ROCKY GAP:** The poker room has added \$45 tournaments Monday-Friday at 10:15 a.m. On the last Saturday of the month at 10:15 a.m., there will be a \$180 tournament.

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## MANAGER SPOTLIGHT

## MC GUIRE GIVES DOVER DOWNS PLAYERS SO MUCH

**By Donovan Livingston**

Our Manager Spotlight this month focuses on **Pete McGuire**. With more than 30 years of management experience, McGuire has been with the Dover Downs Hotel and Casino for two years. But how did he get into the casino industry?

"In 1993, I was living outside Atlantic City and working in sales when New Jersey approved poker. Since poker is the greatest game ever invented, I enrolled in dealer school and, upon graduation, was hired by Resorts Hotel and Casino. I spent three years dealing and flooring at Resorts. In 1996, Tropicana Hotel and Casino expanded the poker room from six tables to 50 tables. I was hired by Tropicana and spent many years helping to manage the poker room. In 2010, Delaware approved poker and I was hired by Dover Downs Hotel and Casino to run swing shift in the poker room. In 2012, the poker-room manager position became available and I was selected."

It's clear he's like many of us, a poker junkie. So does he still play today?

"I prefer seven-card stud, but like everybody else who played in the '90s I now play hold'em. I am a better limit player, and my favorite game is \$10-\$20 limit, but most of the time I play \$1-\$2 no-limit because it is widely available."

When he's not playing poker live or online, he likes working with wood and working on and around his house.

So what about Dover Downs? What kind of games can you expect to find there?

"Dover Downs spreads \$1-\$2 and \$2-\$5 NLHE and \$2-\$4 limit, plus Omaha," he said. "We also have a mixed game two or three days each week. Our tournaments run from \$35 buy-ins to \$600 buy-ins. The majority of our tournaments



have guaranteed prize pools. Our \$199 buy-in with a \$20K guarantee is so popular that we often need to open an overflow room. We also have run a "Beat the Boss" tournament in which we insert an employee with a \$200 bounty on his head. If the employee feels a player we buy the player back in the following week. The players love playing with the casino big wigs and there is always a list of executives waiting to play. Another popular tournament has an Ante Up Poker Cruise package as the prize for first place."

So there's plenty for everybody at every price range. Dover Downs also offers some fantastic promotions.

"We have high-hand contests from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily, and a weekly cash-back program for players," McGuire said. Plus we have a ladies freeroll tournament on Sundays, free steak and eggs breakfast delivered to the poker table for the overnight players. We gave thousands of dollars away in our March Madness promotion and, of course, we have a bad-beat jackpot.

"Our tournament players receive the same rating and comps as a cash players and Dover Downs also has a \$10,000 tournament bad-beat jackpot."

Sounds like a place we all need to visit. Any other things we need to know about Dover Downs? Said McGuire: "We do not have anything as exciting as the world's largest ball of twine but Dover Downs is located in the state capital and has a beautiful historic district. Dover Air Force Base is minutes away and we have the Air Force museum here in Dover. Delaware has three of the nicest beaches on the East Coast. And it is an hour drive to Philadelphia and Baltimore and D.C."

So, the next time you're on the East Coast, you'll know exactly where to find the best poker. ♠

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## Players lucky to have so many choices to play poker

Since the World Series of Poker Circuit was wrapping up at the Lodge Casino in Black Hawk, Colo., at press time,

I'll have to update readers with a recap in my June column. The WSOPC ran through May 5 with the \$1,675 main event ending May 2.

For those who want to play more affordable limits, the excitement still continues at the nearby Lady Luck Casino, where it spreads \$2-\$10 games daily and \$100 limit games on weekends. The poker room also offers three weekly tournaments as well as a Monte Carlo board and a bad-beat jackpot.

"The Lady Luck is known for very friendly and expert deal-



**HANS HOLLOWENBECK**  
COLORADO

ers and offers the most comp value in their poker room," said **Deb Johnson**, a Lady Luck shift manager.

It just may be a perfect destination for players who do not seek the limelight and a diversion from the intensity of the larger events.

**CHARITY:** As an update, the First Charity Poker Classic in Monument, Colo., on March 8, was a huge success, and brought much-needed donations to the Homeless Foundation. More than 90 players showed up to be a part of a good cause and play some poker in an incredible event sponsored in part by the Tri-Lakes Chamber and OnTiltRadio.com. We can only hope for continued success in events such as these.

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## MINNESOTA

## Carolan wins State Championship

**Scott Carolan** of Farmington, Minn., won the main event of the Minnesota State Poker Championships (March 28-30) at Canterbury Park in Shakopee, Minn. Play was three-handed for almost two hours before



**Brett Patterson** busted in third. It took another 90 minutes before **Troy Graphenteen** finished in second, securing the \$54,728 first-place prize for Carolan. The \$1,100 tournament drew 217 entries and generated a \$210,490 prize pool, which is an increase of

16 percent over last year. This was Carolan's largest cash and will add considerably to his previous Hendon Mob lifetime earnings of \$3,232.

**POKER JOKER GEAR AT WSOP:** Poker Joker Gear is concept created almost accidentally by **Marc "Poker Joker" Powers**. He started the Poker Joker persona about a year ago in an attempt to gain some of respect at the tables. This led to Team Poker Joker, which is a group player that promotes poker with a positive attitude and the slogan "Grin and win." The team logo is used on a full line of poker apparel and is a common sighting in Minnesota poker rooms. Now the rest of the poker world will have a chance to own these items when they are sold at this summer's World Series. — Email John at [john.somsky@gmail.com](mailto:john.somsky@gmail.com).



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**MINNESOTA**



## MICHIGAN

## PLO games continue to grow

It has been years since people have been saying pot-limit Omaha will replace no-limit hold'em as the game of choice

for poker players. That hasn't happened, but PLO is spreading throughout Michigan at casinos and in charity poker rooms. Arcadia Poker Room in Troy has PLO as its main cash game. NLHE also runs there, but every day there's a \$1-\$2 PLO game.



**FRANK PANAMA**  
**MICHIGAN**

Motor City Casino in downtown Detroit has bigger PLO stakes running Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays. That game is \$5-\$10 PLO and you usually see Detroit pros, "Flytrap" and "Cm punk" at those tables.

There are also \$2-\$5 round-by-round games (NLHE and PLO) run daily. Round-by-round \$1-\$2 or \$1-\$3 games also run in other Michigan venues such as Big Beaver Tavern in Troy.

Not only are PLO cash games becoming commonplace, PLO tournaments also run on regular occasions. Firekeepers Casino has a \$60 PLO tournament on Thursday nights. Four Aces Club on 13 Mile Road in Roseville has PLO tournaments each month and Krazy Kopz Poker Room and Big Beaver Tavern run round-by-round tournaments every week.

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## IOWA

## ANDERSON NABS MSPT TITLE

**Matthew Anderson** captured the main event and \$100K at the record-setting Mid States Poker Tour at Meskwaki Casino on April 6 as 389 players turned out for \$375K-plus prize pool. Anderson of Lincoln, Neb., beat runner-up and MSPT-sponsored pro **Matt Kirby** with quad kings on the final hand. Kirby settled for \$54,481.



**KEN WARREN**  
**IOWA**



The MSPT will visit Iowa a few more times this year, returning to Meskwaki on July 19-27 and Nov. 1-9 for more \$300K guaranteed events. The MSPT will visit Grand Falls Casino in Larchwood for a \$150K guarantee. If you're doing the math, that's more than a million dollars guaranteed in Iowa.

**BAD-BEAT JACKPOTS:** At press time, the bad-beat jackpot at Diamond Jo Casino in Worth, Iowa, was \$146K. Being one of the larger jackpots seen in Iowa, it was sure to grab attention.

Also, the bad-beat jackpot at the Isle in Bettendorf continues to climb, more than \$75K as we went to press. If you're in the area, drop by and maybe you can grab a piece of this pile of money as you enjoy one of the last riverboat casinos in Iowa with a poker room.

**CASH GAMES:** In Dubuque on Wednesdays at 6 p.m., there's an active \$2-\$5 no-limit hold'em game with some unique characters. Call ahead and get on the list if you want to play. On Fridays, there's a great \$1-\$2 PLO-PLO/8 game in Waterloo that starts around 6 p.m. Winnavegas, south of Sioux City, is advertising a \$2-\$10 stud/8 game on Wednesdays and Fridays.

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## WISCONSIN

## Spring Fling chops five ways

Potawatomi Casino in Milwaukee hosted its popular \$250 Spring Fling on March 9, reaching its cap of 200 players, though three alternates squeezed in for a field of 203 players and a \$65,250 prize pool.



**CHAD HOLLOWAY**  
**WISCONSIN**

Among those in attendance were local cash player **Skylar Watson**, tournament specialist **Dan Almerli** and **Bob Whalen**, who won the Heartland Poker Tour in Gary, Ind., in 2009 for \$129,967. Of them, only Whalen cashed, ultimately making a deal during five-handed play that saw him walk away with \$8,419.

**James Ahler** was crowned the winner of the event and as part of the deal he was awarded \$14K, which was a bit less than the original first-place prize of \$20,227. He was followed by **Andreas Wagner** (\$9K), **Robert Esperes** (\$9K), Whalen and **Umesh Babusukumar** (\$8,419).

Potawatomi is expected to host the Mid States Poker Tour in September. For more information, call the poker room at (414) 847-7605.

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**DEALER SPOTLIGHT**

# WOODWARD'S SMILE BEAMS AT RUNNING ACES

**By Donovan Livingston**

Our Dealer Spotlight this month shines on **Jason Woodward** of Minneapolis. Woodward is a dealer at Running Aces Harness Park in Columbus, Minn., where you can find live racing, simulcast racing, fine dining and tons of poker.

The poker room is unmatched for comfort, amenities and fast-paced action, offering limit games from \$2-\$4 to \$30-\$60. Plus, the room offers spread-limit games such as \$2-\$100 and \$5-\$100. Hold'em not your game? You can play stud and Omaha daily, plus a variety of mixed games.

Woodward has been with Running Aces for six years, but how did he break into the casino industry?

"I received training from Running Aces prior to them opening their doors," he said.

Clearly the staff did a great job. He's friendly, fast, accurate and well-versed in all of the games he deals. Players feel comfortable at his table and have nothing but nice things to say about him.

It's rare to find anybody who works in a poker room that

doesn't also play the game and Woodward is no different. When asked about his favorite game to play, he smiles and says, "I love to play the \$2-\$100 spread game we offer at Running Aces."



With tons of action and always a full table, Woodward can grind there for hours. When he's not dealing or stacking chips at his favorite spread game, he loves to stay healthy physically and mentally. He enjoys running, practicing yoga and reading on wide range of subjects. He also has a "beautiful, wonderful girlfriend, and I'm a very lucky man to have her," he said. Perhaps marriage is not too far in his future.

To be a poker player, you have to inherently be a competitor, so when asked about what he loves most about dealing, he said, "I love watching people compete for money."

Indeed, even as a spectator, it can be very exciting to watch huge sums of money come down to the fate of that river.

Next time you're at Running Aces, be sure to stop in and say hello to Jason; you are sure to be greeted with a smile and a handshake. ♠

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# HEARTLAND COMING TO CHICAGOLAND IN AUG.

The Heartland Poker Tour will be in Chicagoland on Aug. 7-18 at a new venue, Ameristar East Chicago. Since its inaugural event in August 2006, the HPT has a long history of success in this area with nearly \$8 million in winnings. Last year's prize pools exceeded \$800K for the \$1,650 buy-in televised events.



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"Chicago players have asked for this move for years," HPT tournament director **Jeremy Smith** said. "We anticipate another huge event in this market. Ameristar will be ready to meet the demand."

Along with the nationally televised main event, six tournaments are scheduled. Event 1 (NLHE \$300) will have six Day 1s. Bounty, pot-limit Omaha and Survivor along with \$150 buy-in tournaments make up the remainder of the schedule.

This will be Chicagoland's first major tournament on land as it will be in Ameristar's Discovery Ballroom with 30 tournament tables. Cash games will be played on the boat while the HPT is in town.

Ameristar can accommodate traveling players with a 288-room hotel, along with dining options that have received rave reviews such as Bugatti's Steak & Pasta, Amerisports and Heri-

tage Buffet.

**WCPC:** The Windy City Poker Championship's weekly charity events have experienced an upswing in attendance, as it moves closer to its first 2014 televised event May 24-25 at 191 South in Mokena, Ill.

**Rick Rahim, Faraz Jaka** and 2007 World Series of Poker Main Event champ **Jerry Yang** will be in town.

First televised event is a \$1K sit-n-go on May 25 at noon. Local radio personality **Richard Roeper** again will play in the TV event supporting Shady Oaks Camp in Homer Glen. The winner of the \$1K event will advance to the \$3K televised SNG.

New this year will be a televised cash game. The \$2-\$5-\$10 blinds game will have a \$2K max, \$500 minimum buy-in. For details on how you can win a seat on TV contact executive producer **Kirk Fallah** at kirk@windycitypokerchampionship.com

**HORSESHOE:** **Dave Kaminsky** won the Horseshoe's \$100K guarantee end-of-month tournament, winning \$35K. The \$500 event had 347 entrees for a prize pool of \$151K.

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# GUAGENTI WINS QUEEN CITY CLASSIC, \$153,548

**W**hat poker player doesn't like taking a shot at a big score? Finally, we're starting to get the opportunity closer to home thanks in large part to Horseshoe Cincinnati poker room manager **Jason Newman**. The Queen City Classic was a huge success, featuring two signature events in the series: Event 1: \$260 no-limit hold'em ultimate re-entry, which went to **Tony Dao**, who defeated 2,647 entries for \$100K, and the \$1,500 main event, which **Nick Guagenti** won by defeating almost 530 players for \$153,548.



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In the main event, it was a battle of Ohioans as hometown heroes Guagenti and **Keven Stammen** dualed heads-up. Guagenti began the finale with more than 50 percent of the chips in play and Stammen, the most experienced player at the table with a WSOP bracelet and an EPT win, was but a blip on his radar.

As the tournament played out, player after player hit the rail with some chips heading Guagenti's way and others finding a home in Stammen's stack. Guagenti of Westerville and Stammen of Coldwater (\$94,932) earned huge payouts for the Ohio poker economy.

This certainly was an impressive showing by tournament director **Charlie Ciresi** and Newman, who has a history of bringing big-time tournament action from his days in Hammond at the Horseshoe. He has wasted no time here in Ohio doing



the same. We thank you for your hard work, your focus on our needs and the big guarantees.

**MORE TO COME:** The Pittsburgh Poker Open in April and the Hollywood Casino's HPO series stop in May featuring Chris Moneymaker. Look for recaps in future issues.

**CASH-GAME REPORT:** Last month, we spoke of some specific games and times, but some of these have changed so be sure to check your Bravo app or call the poker podium to get all the information you can before jumping in the car. As the warm weather takes hold, the poker landscape is set to change, so if you're looking for action, pay close attention to home sporting events and concerts at the casino. Many people feel games will start later and run longer so get ready and stay in tune with what's happening in your region.

**PLAYER SPOTLIGHT:** Regional tournament and cash-game grinder **Tim Bishop** is on a tear. He started his run at Maryland Live Poker Classic, taking second in a big event for \$35K and had a string of cashes and final tables at WSOP Circuit events, including most recently St. Louis. He's a native of St. Clairsville, Ohio, and a regular at the Meadows and Rivers casinos. It's always great to see good people trending upward and onward.

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## THESE DAYS, ALL EYES ARE ON ATLANTIC CITY

**S**oon after Bally's revealed its updated poker room, the World Series of Poker announced the renovated addition to the Boardwalk as its new locale for its national championship. The event is set for May 22-24 in the new Wild Wild West poker room, decked out in WSOP decor.

This season's WSOP Circuit, which began in August, will end in Atlantic City for the first time. Caesars patrons were disappointed this year by the absence of a WSOPC-scheduled stop usually held here in March. Since the championship has relocated to Bally's, there's an exciting WSOP buzz circulating Atlantic City once again.

There will be numerous satellites and freeroll entries this month for a chance to win a seat in the tournament, plus Bally's will hold live events showcasing the WSOP poker room. On May 19, there will be a freeroll for a seat into the event, followed by "last chance" satellites the next day. The WSOP online servers will host freerolls for players who made deposits in April. Nevada will hold its online tournament May 10 and New Jersey will host its tournament May 17.

There are at least 100 players qualified for the event through



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the WSOP point system built in the past year via 22 tour stops, leaving six seats up for grabs through promotional events. The crowned champion will take home a gold bracelet and a share of a huge prize pool that has been around \$1 million every year. The tournament will be televised nationally on ESPN.

This has been a better year in terms of poker prospects in Atlantic City. Not only has WSOP moved its national championship to Bally's new poker room, but the Borgata also became the new home of the World Poker Tour World Championship. WPT changed its championship location from Bellagio after Borgata became the leading establishment for most entrants registered in WPT tournaments. Much of the poker world's attention has been gravitating toward New Jersey, giving Atlantic City a chance to welcome back familiar pros.

**FOXWOODS:** The Foxwoods Poker Classic wrapped up with its \$2,700 main event, which drew 226 players for a \$548K prize pool. After a deal, **Sam Haddad** of Westwood, Mass., collected \$92,434 for second place (including a commemorative watch) while **She Lok Wong** of Forest Hills, N.Y., garnered the trophy and \$95K for first. **Mazen Nesheiwat** of Poughkeepsie, N.Y., earned \$84,125 for third.

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# CAESARS CLOSING HARRAH'S TUNICA ON JUNE 2

**C**aesars Entertainment recently announced Harrah's Casino in Tunica, Miss., will close June 2. The property has been for sale for quite some time, yet the announcement was unexpected by locals and employees alike.

"After exploring every other viable alternative, we have come to the difficult but necessary conclusion to close Harrah's Tunica in an effort to appropriately position our business for the current market opportunity and ensure the long-term viability of our remaining operations in the vicinity," said **John Payne**, president of central markets and partnership development.

Harrah's, opened in 1996, was the only true resort property in Tunica, with three hotels, a shooting range and a golf course.

This decision will leave 1,300 employees without jobs, and though they will receive preference at other Caesars properties, there are only 80 or so jobs available at Horseshoe and Roadhouse (CET-owned Tunica properties). This is a pretty significant blow to the county reporting the state's highest unemployment rate at 17.3 percent.

For the poker room, this is complete devastation. Just a few years ago, the WSOP stop at this property was the largest in the country. Though numbers have diminished a bit, I dealt this tournament just two months ago and was thrilled with the

thriving turnout. The live-action room at Harrah's always has been a staple in the Tunica market. Just off Highway 61 out of Memphis, Harrah's was the first stop and for a long time, promised the highest likelihood of tourist and fish.

Even as the room declined a bit with the economic downturn, faithful regulars would still show up for fantastic customer service and regular promotions.

So what does this mean for Tunica? At least in the short term, this is great news for Horseshoe. After the announcement of Horseshoe replacing the now-defunct Gold Strike tournaments with their own, this will continue to increase numbers.

Though there hasn't been an official announcement, it's expected the WSOP event will continue annually, just under Horseshoe leadership. This eliminates a great number of available hotel rooms in the area and now limits poker to just Horseshoe and Hollywood Casino.

Be sure to support Tunica poker for the Southern Poker Challenge, which runs until May 5 at Horseshoe. Details are available at [horseshoetunica.com](http://horseshoetunica.com).

This also would be a great time to stop in at the Harrah's poker room, bid farewell and show some appreciation for the staff that has taken care of players for years.

Email me your thoughts on the poker market in Tunica or let me know at the 'Shoe tournament. As always, I appreciate your feedback.

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# Six weeks of tourney poker comes to an end

**T**he second annual Hollywood Poker Open was March 7-16 at Hollywood Casino St. Louis and former world champ **Chris Moneymaker** was the star of the \$1,800 main event.

Moneymaker, the HPO ambassador, not only played in a nightly \$5-\$10 no-limit hold'em cash game, he bested 66 players to win the title, \$36,259 and a seat to the HPO Championship in Las Vegas this summer.

"We made an effort to provide a unique tournament structure that would provide a game for every type of poker player and these players continue to positively comment about this year's overall HPO format," VP of casino operations **Doug Lang** said. "In all, we are very pleased with the progression of the HPO as the popularity of this tournament continues to build."

The prize pool was \$106,643. Moneymaker was followed by **Frank Wyville** from Wellington, Ala., (\$22,395); **James Basham** from O'Fallon, Mo., (\$17,063); **Todd Bartlett** from Dallas City,

Ill., (\$10,664); **Shabtai Moria** of O'Fallon (\$8,531); **Jovan Sudar** of Omaha (\$6,399) and **Todd Metheny** of St. Louis (\$5,332).

**WSOPC:** The World Series of Poker Circuit returned to St. Louis after being absent last year. Lumiere Place hosted its first tournament series from March 20-31 and provided substantial floor space to expand the poker room. This series included a number of notable events.

Event 2 had a \$365 buy-in and two starting flights with re-entry. It drew 813 players and a prize pool of \$243,900. Local player **Andrew Thompson** from Fenton, Mo., finished first for \$47,570. **Ari Engel**, the recent Heartland Poker Tour winner in St. Louis, made the final table in Event 5. Other well-known players cashing during the series included **Dennis Phillips** (Event 6), **Bernard Lee** (Event 10) and **Allen Kessler** (main event).

The \$1,675 main event, which had a \$624K prize pool, became a heads-up battle that lasted more than 10 hours. **Robert "Uncle Krunk" Panitch** outlasted **Robert Edelstein** to win \$137,283 and a seat to the WSOPC national championship.

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# COUSHATTA GIVING AWAY 4 ANTE UP CRUISES

The Coushatta Casino Resort poker room in Kinder will be giving away four incredible Ante Up Poker Cruise packages for the upcoming poker cruise out of Galveston, Texas, in October. The packages, which are balcony staterooms for two people, will be given out in drawings, one each month from June to September.



**MATT STRoud**  
LOUISIANA

Players can earn tickets by making a full house or better from June 1-Sept. 20. Drawings will be June 28, July 26, Aug. 23 and Sept. 20. On these dates, one ticket will be drawn every hour from 2-9 p.m. for a chance to spin the wheel to win \$100-\$300. The poker cruise package worth \$4K will be drawn at 10 p.m. and you must be present to win. This poker cruise leaves the Galveston port, near Houston, and visits ports in the Western Caribbean from Oct. 19-26 aboard the Royal Caribbean *Navigator of the Seas*. The Ante Up Poker Room will be open at least 76 hours and features four Ante Up Poker Tour tournaments. For more on the cruise, visit [anteupcruises.com](http://anteupcruises.com). For more on the drawings, call the poker room at (800) 584-7263 x7336.

In other Coushatta poker news, for the first time since the 7 Clans Poker Cup started, the \$300 preliminary event and the \$1K main event played down to a first-place winner.



**Venkat Chivukula** of Houston won the main for \$45,406.

**BELLE:** The Mid States Poker Tour made its way to South Louisiana with much anticipation, finding a nice turnout of 118 players at the Belle of Baton Rouge Casino and Hotel, generating a prize pool of \$113,684.

There was live coverage of the final table and updates by the minute by PokerNews. After Day 1A and 1B, more history was made as **Erica Sumner** was the first woman to finish the day as chipleader, ultimately finishing 10th for \$2,387.

As the tournament played out, many notable names made the final table and in the end it was **Shawn Schreck** of Gretna, La., who took the title and \$34,105.

He was followed by **Kou Vang** of Woodbury, Minn., (\$23,032); **Daniel Holmes** of Lafayette, La., (\$15,006); **Will "Monkey" South-er** of Biloxi, Miss., (\$10,914); **Tom Annonson** of Bemidji, Minn., (\$8,072); **Robert Matthews** of Baton Rouge (\$6,139); **Mihail Karasoulis** of New Orleans (\$4,661); **Allen "Chainsaw" Kessler** of Las Vegas (\$3,638) and **Michael Benton** of Lafayette (\$2,956).

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The Ante Up Poker Tour North Bay Poker Open Main Event at The 101 Casino ends in a three-way chop, but the players, Chris Hinchcliffe, Shawn Roberts and Fernando Moncado, find a way for all three of them to get something special on top of the nearly \$10K they each pocketed.

**By Scott Long**

As chop negotiations go, the one that ended the Ante Up Poker Tour North Bay Poker Open was fairly seamless. Seamless until the final three players had to decide who would appear on the cover of *Ante Up*.

Shortly after **Chris Hinchcliffe** lost a 300K-plus chip pot with pocket queens to **Fernando Moncado**, who flopped trip eights, he gave Moncado and **Shawn Roberts** a one-time offer of an even three-way chop of the remaining prize pool. Roberts agreed, provided he took home the \$1,650 entry in the Ante Up World Championship Main Event. Moncada was swayed when he was awarded the championship bracelet, and just like that, the North Bay Poker Open Main Event came to an end.

Except for, well, the matter of who would be featured on the cover of this issue. The three quickly agreed to play out one blind hand, and Roberts' 8-2 improved with an eight in the window and held up for the win. In a final gesture that questions whether poker always has to be a dog-eat-dog game, Roberts graciously gave the cover shot to Hinchcliffe, meaning all three got something extra on top of the \$9,221 each received from the prize pool.

"I'm very honored," said Hinchcliffe of Olympia, Wash., who was the chipleader for most of the final day and said he balances his playing time between The 101 and Thunder Valley Casino Resort. "I read the magazine, and I'm really looking forward to that."

For Roberts, the seat in the Ante Up World Championship was more important, as the event with a \$250K guaranteed prize pool will be at Thunder Valley in Lincoln, Calif., Aug. 1-11, literally just down the road from his home in Rocklin.



"I get to sleep in my own bed," Roberts said with a laugh. "I just tried to be patient today. I really feel like my career is just starting."

Moncada of Rohnert Park, Calif., a regular at The 101 Casino, held his own against Hinchcliffe and Roberts, both seasoned players, each with World Series of Poker Circuit rings.

"I've been playing since I was old enough to play," he said. "I love the game."

The North Bay Poker Open played out at The 101 Casino, a stylish cardroom on the historic 101 Freeway in Petaluma, Calif., just north of San Francisco.

All five events far exceeded the guaranteed prize pools, which totaled more than \$50K. The main event featured three starting flights and two mega satellites. The 101 Casino also ran a tournament leaderboard for the event, awarding more than \$500 in prizes to the top-five players. Roberts was the series leader by virtue of having the most chips when the main-event deal was reached, earning a \$240 super-stack tournament entry. **John Sheehan** of Petaluma and **Shane Raleigh** of Santa Rosa were the series' only three-event cashers.

The 101 Casino is aggressively staking itself out as the place to play tournaments in the San Francisco area. The North Bay Poker Open comes on the heels of an equally successful 2 Pair Poker Tour event just a few months earlier.

"We've done a huge amount by changing structures and making tournaments more player-friendly," 101 Casino tournament director **Nichole Bettencourt** said. "We asked players what they wanted and went with it. It makes the tournaments last longer, but I'd rather our events last twice as long and have twice as many players as not."

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# ANTE UP POKER TOUR

## ANTE UP NORTH BAY POKER OPEN, THE 101 CASINO



### Event 1 • \$100 NLHE

Entries: 55 • Pool: \$4,220

1. John Sheehan, Novato, \$1,550
2. Oliver Tse, San Francisco, \$850
3. SB Bullen, Novato, \$630
4. Tona Katkuoy, Petaluma, \$440
5. Jon Morales, San Rafael, \$330
6. Gabe Nahas, Rohnert Park, \$250
7. David Golden, Rohnert Park, \$170

### Event 2 • \$120 PLO

Entries: 39 • Pool: \$3,740

1. Billy Liskey, \$1,560
2. Oliver Tse, San Francisco, \$860
3. Anthony Poznekoff, Rohnert Park, \$560
4. Michael Vlastnik, Santa Rosa, \$440
5. Shane Raleigh, Santa Rosa, \$320



**John Sheehan**

### Event 3 • \$140 Bounty

Entries: 37 • Pool: \$3,550

1. Shane Raleigh, Santa Rosa, \$1,450
2. Anthony Poznekoff, Rohnert Park, \$830
3. John Sheehan, Novato, \$530
4. John Kennedy, Healdsburg, \$420
5. Brogan Lee, Rohnert Park, \$320

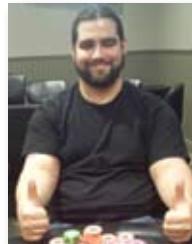


**Shane Raleigh**

### Event 4 • \$240 NLHE

Entries: 38 • Pool: \$7,295

1. Matt Carter, Petaluma, \$2,970
2. Jim Garris, Santa Rosa, \$1,650
3. Emmett McGill, Novato, \$1,150
4. Stewart Levy, Petaluma, \$875
5. Chad Burum, Novato, \$650



**Matt Carter**

### \$400 Main Event

Entries: 158 • Pool: \$51,824

1. Shawn Roberts, Rocklin, \$9,221
2. Chris Hinchcliffe, Olympia, Wash., \$9,221
3. Fernando Moncada, Rohnert Park, \$9,221
4. Jim Garris, Santa Rosa, \$5,050
5. Joe Kenney, San Rafael, \$3,800
6. Mariano Garcia, San Francisco, \$2,900
7. Robert Hancock, Sonoma, \$1,950
8. Tanya Kirk, San Jose, \$1,500
9. Rafael Craft, Rohnert Park, \$1,200
10. Matthew Jordan, Petaluma, \$1,200
11. David Mintz, Santa Rosa, \$1,000
12. John Sheehan, Petaluma, \$750
13. David Silva, Winters, \$750
14. Sean David, Vacaville, \$750
15. Simone Nunes, Emeryville, \$620
16. Bill Wendling, Santa Rosa, \$620
17. Shane Raleigh, Santa Rosa, \$620
18. Ryan Park, Mountain View, \$500
19. Stephen Durler, Santa Rosa, \$500

\*All cashers from Calif. unless noted



**Dan Ross and Harold Sugarman**

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Bettencourt said the goal now is to build off its momentum of the past couple of months.

"We'd like to have a major event at least quarterly," she said. "They bring in huge crowds. I've been here four years, and in the last six months, we've had tons of players come through here who I haven't seen before."

**Jerry Cohen**, a 2 Pair Magazine Pro, helped The 101 Casino design the structures for the North Bay Poker Open and for its new three-day Monthly Super Stack, which will run the last weekend of every month using the same structure as the North Bay Poker Open Main Event but with a \$240 buy-in.

"I wanted to give players the most amount of play, take out the unnecessary early levels and add more play in the middle and end," Cohen said. "I took all the things I love about poker tournaments and put them in. Players loved it. I can proudly

tell them that I helped design it, and they're even more stoked that it came from a player."

When not at the tables, players enjoyed cash games, blackjack, baccarat and more in the well-appointed casino and dining in the City Limits Restaurant & Bar and tableside. Several players raved about the \$9.99 prime rib special, saying it was one of the best values in town.

**Dan Ross** and **Harold Sugarman** of Hold'em Radio broadcasted live from The 101 Casino for all but the first two events, just as they did for the February series.

"The 101 treated these players great. All the players we spoke to are willing to come back," Ross said. "When you talk about from here to San Jose to Sacramento, that's a 250-square-mile area. For players to say they'll drive past other cardrooms to come here because of how they were treated at this tournament, that's a big statement for a 10-table cardroom." ♠

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ANTE UP POKER TOUR AT SEA

# CIORCIARI WINS AUPT ON ANTE UP CRUISE

**By Scott Long**

Ante Up Poker Cruises expanded its reach in April, sailing for the first time from the West Coast.

The seven-night cruise aboard the Norwegian *Star* took passengers, many of them fresh faces to Ante Up Poker Cruises, to Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan and Puerto Vallarta, all the while playing cash games and tournaments in a professionally equipped and run poker room.

OffTilt Custom Poker Tables provided custom tables for this cruise, and several poker rooms from around the country sent players courtesy of in-room promotions or tournaments.

Speaking of tournaments, **Anthony Ciorciari** of Henderson, Nev., sailing on his second Ante Up Poker Cruise, won the AUPT main event and \$960 after a grueling heads-up battle with **Bill Gray** of Overland Park, Kan. Ciorciari entered



heads-up play as a huge chipleader, but Gray doubled through twice early and briefly held the lead.

**Patricia Wickman** of Simi Valley, Calif., won Event 1, a rebuy tournament, and finished fourth in the main event to be the only two-time casher on this cruise. **John Farley** of Brea, Calif., was declared the winner in Event 2, a bounty event, in a two-way chop with **Jerry Fouts** of Mercer Island, Wash.

Snoqualmie Casino, MGM Grand Las Vegas, Grand Sierra Resort and Casino, Wendover Nugget Casino & Hotel, Pearl River Resort, Caesars Palace Las Vegas and Rounders Poker sent players to this cruise.

Ask the manager of your favorite poker room to call **Scott Long** at (727) 331-4335 to arrange a promotion in your room.

Four more Ante Up Poker Cruises are scheduled for 2014. More information can be found at [anteupcruises.com](http://anteupcruises.com). ♠



## AUPT on the Seas

### Event 1 • \$20 NLHE w/rbs

Entries: 23 • Pool: \$1,160

1. Patricia Wickman, Simi Valley, Calif., \$500
2. John K. Robertson, Las Vegas, Nev., \$430
3. Roger Shattuck, Westbrook, Maine, \$230

### Event 2 • \$70 Bounty

Entries: 28 • Pool: \$1,120

1. John Farley, Brea, Calif., \$560
2. Jerry Fouts, Mercer Island, Wash., \$340
3. Donna Black, Reno, Nev., \$220

### \$100 Main Event

Entries: 30 • Pool: \$2,400

1. Anthony Ciorciari, Henderson, Nev., \$960
2. Bill Gray, Overland Park, Kan., \$720
3. Ted Erickson, Swisshome, Ore., \$480
4. Patricia Wickman, Simi Valley, Calif., \$240

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**NOTHIN' BUT 'NET**

A look at the online poker scene



## CALIFORNIA, N.Y. GET INVOLVED

California is again in the limelight of online gaming discussions. With recent activity toward pushing to get online gaming in the next year, PokerStars has been working to be part of the infrastructure as one of the licensed operators. This has caused a stir among more than a dozen tribes in the state, prompting them to ask the state's lawmakers to keep "unscrupulous entities" from participating in the landscape once it gets approved.



**JOEL GATLIN**  
**ONLINE POKER**

The "unscrupulous entities" comment refers to the so-called "bad actors" provision that has been added to most of the online regulations in the states where online poker is offered. This provision essentially bans online gaming companies that continued to do business with U.S. players after the UIGEA passed in 2006.

PokerStars has taken particular issue with this request from the tribes, prompting **Eric Hollreiser**, PokerStars' head of corporate communications, to release a statement where he mentions the states' regulators have done a good job over the past 15 years of protecting the consumers and should be allowed to continue to do so without the interference of the tribes. The statement also says, "The only parties seeking to change this are certain groups who want to use the Legislature to gain a competitive market advantage and to limit competition. Their efforts are not in the best interest of consumer choice or consumer protection."

**NEW YORK:** Republican Sen. **John Bonacic** introduced a bill in the New York Legislature, which seeks to allow online poker by changing the current law, which regulates parimutuel gaming, racing and breeding. The bill would allow poker to be recog-

nized as a "game of skill" and remove it from the state's list of games of chance. Just like I mentioned with California, New York's bill includes a "bad actor" clause with the requirements to be enforced on any organization that seeks to be an operator. There's also a provision that calls for 10 operator licenses to be granted for a term of 10 years for a cost of \$10 million per operator. Then each operator would pay 15 percent of its gross proceeds to the state.

**BAN BILL:** In Washington, D.C., Sen. **Lindsey Graham**, R-S.C., and Rep. **Jason Chaffetz**, R-Utah, introduced legislation that would ban all forms of Internet gambling with the exception of fantasy games and horse racing. There has been a lot of opposition to this bill, including a group of 11 governors, called the Democratic Governors Association, that wrote a letter to the leaders in Congress asking them to vote no on this bill and help to preserve states' rights when regulating gambling. One major item in this legislation: It would ban all Internet gaming for every state, even if the state already passed it into law, like Nevada, Delaware and New Jersey have done.

**Michael Waxman**, spokesman for the Safe and Secure Internet Gambling Initiative, said: "While prohibition isn't the answer, there's no question that federal intervention is needed to control Internet gambling activity. Consistent rules across the country are needed to ensure every American is protected against money laundering, fraud and abuse. While federal oversight is needed, individual states should decide whether to allow Internet gambling within their borders. Sen. Graham and Rep. Chaffetz should respect the right of each state, not force a rollback of an industry that has already started to flourish in the U.S."

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# GOOD FOLDS PREVENT BAD DECISIONS

I was in the big blind of a nine-handed \$10-\$20 PLO game with A♦-10♦-J♠-2♣ and a \$4K stack. A player in early position raised to \$80 and five people called, including the button and myself.

The flop fell 9♦-5♠-4♥ and the action checked around.

The turn was the K♠. The action folded to the button, who bet \$300 into \$480 and I was the only caller.

The river was the 8♦ and I checked. My opponent checked as well and he won with a pair of fives (A♠-Q♠-10♥-5♣). What did I do wrong?

**PREFLOP:** A no-brainer call with A-J-10-2 double-suited. There are tilt monkeys who three-bet hands like this out of position six ways, and while it isn't the worst play in the world, I would consider it far from optimal. I would be more likely to three-bet from the big blind with this hand if it was just between me and the small blind or button.

**FLOP:** We whiffed the flop and it's an easy spot to check-fold since we have no pair and no real draw. No mistakes so far.

**TURN:** With the K♠, we have a double gutshot straight draw and a jack-high flush draw. I hate to take a stab at the pot right here with six players because there are a plethora of draws and



JAY  
HOUSTON

a lot of made hands that can come over the top of me. When the button bets \$300 into \$480, I prefer folding rather than calling.

My opponent's bet-sizing and check back on the flop potentially indicate he's betting some type of draw and since I am out of position with only three outs to the nuts, I'm going to find myself in tough spots on the river. Also, if I call, there are still people left to act behind me. I prefer folding on the turn, but since I decided to call, let's go over the river.

**RIVER:** The 8♦ is a blank, leaving me with ace high. I checked, and what a pathetic check it was.

My opponent's range includes so many draws because of how he played his hand, and I am essentially giving up the pot with no hope of winning when I check. A better play on the river might have been to bet \$750, but I had my reasons for checking.

It's hard for my opponent to believe I'm value-betting the river because it's so unlikely I called the turn with 6-7 in my hand when there are bigger straight draws on the board as well as a flush draw. It's just an ugly river. Avoiding these types of situations ends up being a key element in PLO because it helps to tame variance, it prevents you from making unnecessary bluffs and it plugs a lot of general leaks you probably didn't know you had. ♠

## COACH'S CORNER

# THOU SHALT UNDERSTAND THE MATH

*Editor's note: This is one in a series.*

Most of my students over the past decade have come through my poker class at Pima Community College, starting off as beginners.

Now they're all proficient to say the least. One of my students finished second recently in online tournament with 510 players, and he admits he still has a ways to go.

Even my strongest students still need a coach. I'd like to coach some winning players who want to get to the top, who understand they could and should be better players and that there's always room to improve.

Our next Poker Commandment in my series is: Thou shalt understand the math.

In a deepstacked \$2-\$5 no-limit hold'em game, I watched a friend play this hand. He had \$225 and his opponents' stacks were between \$400-\$500. Our hero is in the big blind as an early position player limped. A tight player in the cutoff raised to \$22 and the button called. My friend in the BB called, which brought in the limper. So four players saw the flop with \$88 in the pot. The BB paid \$17.



MARK  
BREMEN

The flop came 10-8-4 rainbow. Player A checked, initial raiser bet \$75 and the next player called. Hero pushed all-in for the rest of his stack (remember he started with \$225).

The initial check folded, Villain 1 and Villain 2 called. The turn was a 10, pairing the board. Villain 1 pushed all-in and Villain 2 called. Villain 1 had A-A and Villain 2 had K-K. Our hero had 7-9, giving him eight outs.

There are many ways to approach this hand, but we'll examine this from a stack perspective.

Paying \$17 to see a flop with about \$70 in the pot is poor. If the hero has a deep enough stack to win 100 times the \$5 big blind then we can give him a pass.

Our hero had eight outs. Calling \$75 after flop is poor. You cannot commit 33 percent of your stack without getting the rest of your money in the middle. Players must understand stack-to-pot ratio.

Good job moving in; don't forget about fold equity.

The river is irrelevant. Players are results-orientated. This ruins our analysis. Bottom line is poker is a net-sum game; our hero "got his money in good" because he got better than 3-to-1 on his money.

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# DON'T TELL ME YOU WERE CARD DEAD

**G**o ahead, tell me your bad-beat stories. Seriously. I don't mind them so long as they truly are bad-beat stories and not how you lost a race. Why do I welcome these? Yes, I can



**DAVID  
APOSTOLICO**

sympathize and relate just like anyone else who plays enough poker, but that's not the reason.

I don't mind bad-beat stories because if it's a legitimate bad beat, then presumably the storyteller got his money in good and did everything right but win the hand. I get it, so go ahead and unload.

However, just don't tell me a card-dead story after you've been eliminated from a tournament. I can't relate and I can't sympathize. There's a reason tournaments have escalating blinds: *to force the action!*

Yes, it's somewhat disheartening to look at hand after hand of eight-high where you try to remember if this 3-8 offsuit were the exact same cards as the last 3-8 offsuit. These hands also afford you the luxury of easy decisions. Not too many bad-beat stories begin with "I was dealt 2-7 off under the gun."

Every time you fold your hand in a tournament, you're progressing by staying alive while others fall by the wayside. Of course, you can't fold forever because eventually you will get

blinded out of the event. That's why you'll need *to force the action*.

Being the recipient of bad cards doesn't mean you can't play poker; it's quite the opposite. Bad cards mean you must play poker. Your decisions are based on such factors as position, table image, perceived strengths of opponents, relative stacks, etc. You're looking for opportunities to exploit to maintain a healthy stack.

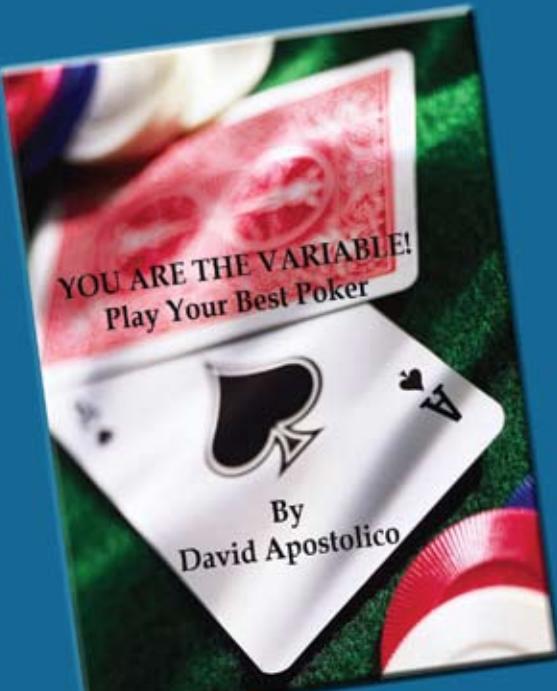
Tournaments are a balance test between surviving and accumulating chips. Cards are only one part of the story. As a general rule of thumb, I like to consistently think a level or two ahead to try to have enough chips where I have fold equity and ideally without having to push all-in.

One thing that won't happen is I will never get blinded out waiting for premium cards. Too often, I watch players wait for premium cards that never come.

Or, if they do eventually come, their stacks are so small by then that they're guaranteed to get called in at least one spot. And you know what happens then: A bad-beat story is sure to follow.

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# PREPARE FOR THE WORLD SERIES OF POKER

**W**hether this is your first trip to the World Series or you're a regular, mental preparation will help your performance.

So before you go, you'll need to prep. Go to the WSOP website and get a sense for what is going on; make your travel reservations, being sure to get to Vegas with enough time to acclimate and play whatever satellites or other games you like.

Plan your exit strategy; the worst thing is having a plane reservation home before the final table ends in your tournament.

If you bust out and still have a poker stake, there will be plenty to do. Make sure your hotel reservations are in order and you know how you are going to get to and from the WSOP every day.

It's not too early to start some stamina training; 12-16 hours a day of poker tournaments, plus whatever else you play is going to be grueling.

OK, your travel, hotel and ground transportation are in order. You've decided if you are going by yourself or with friends or family. Remember if you do well, you will be spending most of the time at the table.

And you get there. First thing to do is attune yourself to the setting. Take a couple of laps around the rooms; get a feel for the place and the event, the sounds, the smells. Check out food and restrooms. Maybe play some cash games, a satellite or a smaller tournament. Get yourself into the right headspace.



**STEPHEN  
BLOOMFIELD**

The night before, try to unwind. Don't drink or do drugs. Eat well and get enough rest/sleep.

When you wake up do your morning ritual and take care of any outstanding at-home business or, if with family or friends, then that business.

Take whatever you need to the tournament: a backpack, something for a headache, a fresh shirt, power bars, some other energy foods, whatever. Get your ticket, find your seat and then take another couple of laps.

Do your breathing exercises. Practice your relaxation.

Analyze your game. Try to fix leaks but don't fiddle too much at the last minute. Some say to not even read anything new or watch any new videos. You don't want to go into the WSOP with untested skills.

Before you go, make sure you practice relaxed activation. Increase your patience level. Good poker can be hours of boredom followed by moments of pure exhilaration, so practice all the techniques I have been suggesting.

Finally, you must avoid making bad mental decisions. Fatigue will set in and tilt may become a factor. You are not tied to the table. Walk around if need be, do some breathing exercises. You may miss a few hands but if you don't take a break, you may get felted on a bad mental decision.

Keep your head in the game and have a blast. The circus is coming to town.

— **Dr. Stephen Bloomfield is a licensed psychologist and avid poker player. Email him at editor@anteupmagazine.com.**

## BIG SLICK POKER

# TOURNEYS BRING CASH-GAME OPPORTUNITIES

**By Zack Bartholomew**

**W**hen a tournament series hits your local casino, it's an exciting time in the poker room. Lots of money is in the room, prize pools are big and there's a lot of buzz. Tournament time is exciting for successful cash players, too.

The general style of play in cash games changes when tournaments are running. Tons of new people you've never seen before are in town and as a winning poker player, it's your job to figure out how they play, adjust and profit.

This can be challenging, though, because sometimes your "standard" strategies suddenly don't work as well with this influx of new players. Whenever I'm playing at a tournament series venue, I keep a couple of things in mind that help me gain success.

**C-BETS DON'T WORK AS WELL:** Tournament players hate folding to flop continuation bets. They are used to playing in games where you have to actively fight for every chip or else you will bust. This mentality carries over to cash games. This sort of attitude rubs off on other players at the table. You could be sitting at a relatively tame table, and then someone who just

busted from the tournament sits down and the dynamic of the table changes.

Look for adjustments to help deal with this. Should you c-bet less, but double-barrel more? Maybe you should play fewer hands but continuation-bet larger? The adjustment usually will be dictated by the table. Observe what lines people are taking when they take the pot down, and look for similar spots to do the same.

**IT'S A LOT EASIER TO TILT:** Losing money to people you think you might not ever play against is really frustrating, especially when they suck out on you. I find myself saying, "When will I ever get a chance to be in that spot again?"

You can't think about poker like that. Every spot in a cash game is one long session. Just because you lost in this amazing spot during tournament time, doesn't mean you won't get into more amazing spots when everyone has left.

Tournament time can be challenging because of all of the new players. Keep your focus, adjust to opponents and you will win the money.

— **Zack Bartholomew is head instructor at Big Slick Poker Academy.**

# MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR WORLD SERIES

**By Matthew Gregoire**

The World Series of Poker is upon us and I'm excited at the prospect of playing the games I love through the summer. Last year was my first time in five years that I had missed the festivities at the Rio and I must admit I'm champing at the bit. Every year I really focus on playing split games exclusively and in the past it has been a rare occurrence to not find a profitable situation. The cash games are always great and there are split tournaments almost every day in town.

In past years, my best results came when I was playing the games online regularly before I arrived. If you plan on focusing on one poker variation, it's normally most effective to be playing it regularly before you arrive so you can work out any leaks.

Sometimes when you're switching between games it can alter your styles because of the adjustments necessary to conquer the constantly evolving poker landscape. For example, when people play no-limit hold'em tournaments, it seems styles are often duplicated because of training videos or some other information readily available. When you choose to apply these alterations, or at least try to compensate against an opponent who uses them, it can affect your overall poker ability.

If you see a certain move in a split game and have been play-

ing a lot of NLHE, your initial reaction may be to play it like a hold'em hand when it simply doesn't apply to the split game. If you want to be most effective have a mind-set for the specific game you wish to play.

If this is your first year arriving for the World Series it can be exciting, but if you're hoping to be successful, the best advice I can give is to try to set a consistent schedule. If you spend a night drinking or indulging in whatever activities interest you, it can be difficult to be refreshed in time to give 100 percent at the tables.

I realize a lot of people don't arrive in Vegas to strictly play poker, but for me it's necessary to be prepared. If I'm at the table, my goal is to try to find as many edges as possible, so if I have chosen to eat healthy, sleep well and take care of my body while you have been out partying, then I have an instant advantage.

It's a fine line when you're in Vegas to stay focused and it takes a ton of will power to make the most of your opportunities while here. But if your goal is to be successful, it's necessary to make sacrifices. If you come to play this summer, try to make the most of your shots, don't just go through the motions.

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# A-K: A LOVE-HATE RELATIONSHIP

By Natasha Barbour

Whether you just call a three-bet preflop, put in 100 big blinds preflop, call two all-ins in front of you, fold it to a shove, fold it not to flip or fold it on the bubble of a tournament, you often will find yourself in a questionable spot with A-K and that's only the preflop dilemma.

A lot of amateurs hate the hand while others will never fold it. It's a love-hate relationship. So, what is the proper play?

There are a lot of factors to take into consideration before making the correct decision with A-K. How you play A-K with four players in strong position is different than how you play it in early position at a full ring game. It also depends on you, the player.

Let's look at your options:

In the event you find yourself playing this hand out of position, you will need to adjust to that disadvantage. Playing huge pots out of position is asking for trouble. Though you most likely have the best hand preflop, it's extremely hard to play it postflop. It doesn't matter how early in position you are; limping should never be an option. Also, if facing a raise from a player that has position on you, flat-calling is the best way to

just hand him your money. Raise and reraise when you can.

You get called and you're out of position going to the flop?

A few years ago, it would have been perfect to just continuation-bet after the flop so we could get an idea of where our opponent is. It's not the case nowadays since the field is getting better and more aggressive. This is why I would advise not c-betting in a multiway pot if you miss. More often your hand is going to turn into a bluff vs. a TAG player and you're going to lose if you miss. I strongly encourage a check-raise bluff out of position. If you just don't want to let it go on a missed flop, it could be your strongest option.

Decide how comfortable you are playing postflop. Avoiding bad spots is important. Why play a huge pot with that hand postflop when you know you're only going to continue if you hit it, which is about a third of the time? Also, look at your spot in the tournament: You can't wait around for hands and A-K is a top-five hand, so if you're not too deep, just try to play it fast preflop and get it in if you can.

And don't be results oriented! A lot of players call preflop and fold if they miss because the last time they got it in preflop they lost a flip. Don't change your game over a past unlucky hand history. ♠

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<b>AMERISTAR BLACK HAWK</b> (720) 946-4108 • ameristar.com/Black_Hawk.aspx	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads).
<b>GOLDEN GATES CASINO</b> (303) 582-5600 • goldencasinogroup.com	Daily (\$40-\$300) at 10a, noon, 3p and 7p; deepstack Fri.-Sun. (\$160-\$210, noon); Colorado Championship IX, May 9-26 (call for schedule).	Early bird specials; players can earn \$5 per hour in cash back (call for details).
<b>ISLE CASINO BLACK HAWK</b> (303) 998-7777 • black-hawk.isleofcapricasinos.com	Wed. \$15 house-funded KO (\$60, 6:30p); Thurs. PLO (\$60, 11a); see website for schedule.	Bad-beat jackpot is aces full of 10's; new poker players earn \$10/hour; early birds earn \$30 (daily).
<b>LADY LUCK CASINO</b> (303) 582-2141 • isleofcapricasinos.com	Fri. (\$60, 7p); Sat. (\$60, 4p); Sun. (\$60, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot is a decreasing qualifier; Monte Carlo High Hand Jackpot (call for details).
<b>LOGGE CASINO AT BLACK HAWK</b> (303) 582-1771 • theloggecasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$80, noon); Daily (\$100, 7p); Sat.-Sun. (\$100, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads.
<b>RESERVE CASINO HOTEL</b> (303) 582-0800 • reservecasinohotel.com	No tournaments scheduled, but will run them upon request.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Jackpot Vault consists of 14 jackpots with quads or better and is progressive.
<b>SKY UTE CASINO RESORT</b> (970) 563-7777 • skyutecasino.com	Mon. (\$30 w/\$15 rebuys, 7p); Tue. (\$55, 7p); Fri. (\$85, 7p); Sat. \$2.5K guar. (\$120, noon); Sun. NL Omaha (\$55 w/re-entry, 2p); 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	Sun. (\$10, 3p).	Call for information.
<b>WILDWOOD CASINO • CRIPPLE CREEK</b> (719) 286-7810 • playwildwood.com	Fri. (\$25 w/\$20 rebuys and add-on, 4p); Sat. Survivor pays top 20% evenly (\$100, 7p); Sun. KO (\$60, 6p).	Mini bad-beat jackpot; bad-beat jackpot run-off (every other Sunday).

## CONNECTICUT

<b>FOXWOODS RESORT CASINO</b> (800) 369-9663 • foxwoods.com	Daily (\$60-\$300, 9a-8p) w/ \$20K guar., Fri. (\$230, 6p); \$25K guar., Sat. (\$300, 11a) & Sun. (\$120, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad eights and quad deuces in stud.
<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); Summer Showdown in July (call for details).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and stud is quad 5s; \$500 high hand every 4 hours (Mon.-Fri.).

## DELAWARE

<b>DELAWARE PARK</b> (302) 355-1050 • delawarepark.com	Daily at noon, plus Sat. & Sun. (\$65, 3p); Sun.-Wed. & Fri. (\$65, 7p); Thurs. (\$85, 7p); Fri. & Sat. (\$100, 7p); Fri. & Sat. (\$65, 10p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em w/descending qualifier; \$10K mini bad beat; high hand pays up to \$1K; \$20K monthly freeroll (call for details).
<b>DOVER DOWNS HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (302) 674-4600 • doverdowns.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$65, 1:15p); Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. (\$75, 7:15p); Fri. (\$95, 7:15p); Sat. (\$80, 7:15p); Sun. (\$95, 1:15p). Ante Up Poker Cruise satellite, May 14 (6:15p, \$59).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hand; royal-flush bonus; cash-back rewards. See ad on Page 32.
<b>HARRINGTON RACEWAY</b> (888) 887-5687 • harringtonraceway.com	Tue. & Thurs. (\$60, 11a); Wed. Omaha Round by Round \$1K guar. (\$60, 11a); Sat. (\$60 w/rebuy & add-on, 11a); KO on 2nd Sun. of month (\$90, 3p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of kings beaten by quads; high hand pays \$200 (Mon., Wed., Fri.); quad jacks or better gets \$100 (Tue. & Thurs.).

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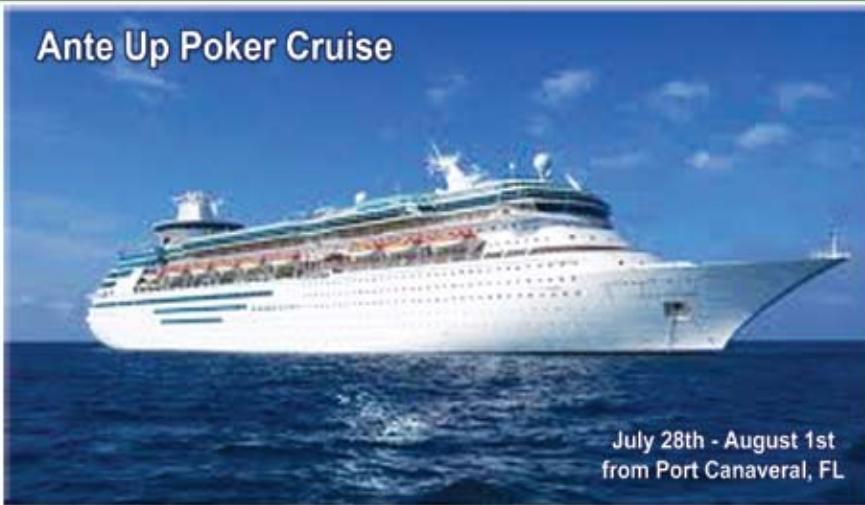


WHERE TO PLAY

## FLORIDA

<b>BESTBET JACKSONVILLE</b> (904) 646-0002 - bestbetjax.com	CPPT, May 1-12 w/super satellites into the \$300K guarantee; \$50K guarantee, May 22-25 (\$200). See ad Page 19.	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em (uncapped); \$1K high hands & \$500 table share, May 31; \$500 high hands, May 17-18 & 25 (2p-mid.).
<b>BESTBET ORANGE PARK</b> (904) 646-0002 - bestbetjax.com	Sunday (\$50, noon); deepstack turbo KO, May 27 (\$200 w/\$50 bounties, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em (uncapped); \$1K high hands, May 31 (hourly, 2p-mid.); half-hour high hands (daily).
<b>CALDER CASINO</b> (305) 625-1311 - studpzpoker.com	Call for information.	Call for information.
<b>CASINO MIAMI JAI-ALAI</b> (305) 633-6400 - crystalcardroom.com	Daily (\$20-\$165); Tue. (\$65 w/rebuys, 7p); Thurs. \$3K guar.; Sun. \$10K guar. (call for details); PPC Poker Classic, May 27-June 1 (call for details).	Progressive royals and rolling quads of the day are progressive; hourly high hands (daily); call for details. Bad beat starts at \$20K.
<b>CREEK ENTERTAINMENT GRETNA</b> (850) 875-6930 - creekentertainment.com	Thurs. \$10K satellite (\$50, 7p) & Sat.-Sun. (\$50, 1p); Fri. & Sun. (\$50, 7p); \$10K guar., 3rd Sat. of month (\$250, 1p). See ad on Page 55.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads); mini bad-beat jackpot (Fri. & Sun.); Free Play (up to \$3/hour, daily); double points on Mon. & Wed.; high hand (Sat, hourly).
<b>DANIA CASINO &amp; JAI-ALAI</b> (954) 927-2841 - dania-jai-alai.com	Call for information.	Call for information.
<b>DAYTONA BEACH KENNEL CLUB</b> (386) 252-6484 - daytonagreyhound.com/pokerroom	Daily (2p & 7p); Mon. (\$65, 7p); Wed. (\$105, 7p); Thurs. (\$65, 7p); Fri. (\$120, 7p); Sat. (\$140, 7p); Sun. (\$175, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpots in limit, no-limit, Omaha and stud; Super Sat. (noon-mid.).
<b>DERBY LANE</b> (727) 812-3339 x7 • derbylanepoker.com	Daily (\$50-\$330) on Sun.-Thurs. (1p, 4p, & 7p) & Fri.-Sat. (1p, 6p, & 8p). See ad Page 17. Ante Up Poker Tour championship event, Aug. 21-31.	Daily cash and prize promotions; high hands; tournament high hands; see website for more promotions.
<b>E BRO GREYHOUND PARK</b> (850) 234-3943 - ebrogreyhoundpark.com	Daily (\$20-\$220) on Sun.-Fri. (8p), Sat. (2p, 8p, mid.).	High hands pay \$100 (Mon. & Fri., 9a-mid.) and \$500 (Sun.-Thurs., 2a-3a & Fri.-Sat., mid.-9a); \$4,999 royal flush of spades (Tue.-Thurs., 9a-noon).
<b>FT. PIERCE JAI-ALAI &amp; POKER</b> (772) 464-7500 - jaijalai.net/poker.php	Mon. (\$75, 7p); Wed. (\$55, 7p); Sat. (\$100, 1:30p); Sun. (\$55, 4p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud (see website for rules and payouts); quads pays \$100-\$220 (daily).
<b>GULFSTREAM PARK</b> (954) 457-6336 - gulfstreampark.com	Daily (6:30p); Mon. KO (\$60 w/\$10 bounty); Tue. \$1.5K guar. (\$80); Wed. \$1.5K guar. PLO (\$20 w/\$10 rbs); Thurs. KO (\$20); Fri. & Sun. (\$60); Sat. \$2.5K guar. (\$40 w/\$10 rb).	High hands pay \$500/half hour (Thurs., Fri.-Sat., noon-mid.); \$250 hourly high hands (Sun.-Wed., 11a-3a); royals pay \$500; win with flopped royals & straight flush.
<b>HIALEAH PARK CASINO</b> (305) 885-8000 - hialeahparkcasino.com	Mon. \$2K guar. (11a); Tue. \$2.5K guar. (7p); Wed. \$5K guar. (7p); Thurs. \$3K guar. (7p); Sat. \$6K guar. (11a); Sun. \$5K guar. (1p).	Progressive spades jackpot; call for other promotions.
<b>ISLAND BREEZE CASINO - JAMIE GOLD POKER ROOM</b> (561) 410-7447 - ibreezecasino.com	No tournaments.	Call for information.
<b>ISLE CASINO AT POMPANO PARK</b> (954) 972-2000 x5123 - theislepompanopark.com	Daily (\$40-\$230). See ad Page 49.	Bad-beat and high-hand jackpots in hold'em and Omaha; \$10K cash drawings every Sunday.
<b>MAGIC CITY CASINO</b> (305) 649-3000 - flaglerdogs.com	Mon. \$1.5K guar. (\$75, 8p); SNGs on demand (\$65-\$800, daily).	Big Slick Red Royal \$20K+\$500 to each player at the table; Hot Table Progressive; Happy Hour High Hands pays \$500 every 30 min. (4-8p).
<b>MARDI GRAS CASINO</b> (877) 557-5687 x3167 - playmardigras.com	Mon. \$1.5K guar. freeroll (7p); Tue. 0/8 (7p); Wed. PLO \$1.5K guar. freeroll (7p); Thurs. \$1.5K guar. freeroll (7p); Sat. \$2.5K guar. freeroll (7p); Sun. \$1.5K guar. freeroll (7p).	11a-10p; \$500 high hands every half hour & up to \$1K for 2/5; Instant Win (10p-4a); full house pays \$50 (10s full or better), \$100 quads, \$250 straight flushes & \$500 royals.
<b>MELBOURNE GREYHOUND PARK</b> (321) 259-9800 - mgpark.com	Mon. (\$70, 1p & 7p); Tue. (\$40 w/\$30 rebuys, 1p & 7p); Wed. turbo (\$60, 7p); Thurs. (\$40 w/rebuys, 1p & \$95 KO, 7p); Fri. \$5K guar. (\$50, 7p); Sat. varies; Sun. (\$70, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; royals pay \$500; Spin to Win (Mon.); Aces Cracked (Wed.); high hands (Thurs.-Tue.). See ad below for Ante Up Poker Cruise info.
<b>MICCOSUKEE RESORT &amp; GAMING</b> (877) 242-6464 - miccosukee.com	\$2K guar. (\$50); \$2K guar. PLO (\$50); call for schedule.	Splash the Pot pays \$50 (Sun.-Thurs., 8:15a-11:15a); \$3K raffle pays \$250 every 30 minutes (Fri.); Twilight High Hand pays \$200 every 30 minutes (Sun.-Thurs., 8p-2a).
<b>NAPLES-FT MYERS GREYHOUND TRACK</b> (239) 992-2411 - naplesfortmyersdogs.com	Mon. (\$50, 1p & \$65, 7p); Tue. & Wed. (\$50, 1p & 7p); Thurs. (\$65, 1p & \$50, 7p); Fri. (\$115, 6p); Sat. (\$115, 1p); Sun. (\$115, 1p) & Omaha/8 (\$65, 6p).	Big Slick Royal pays min. \$10K; all other royals pay \$500; \$500 high hand every half-hour (Sat., 6p-1:30a); high hand pays up to \$3K hourly (every other Wed.).
<b>OCALA POKER AND JAI-ALAI</b> (352) 591-2345 - ocalapoker.com	Mon. KO (\$40 w/\$10 bounties, 7p); Tue. (\$35, 7p); Wed. (\$50, 7p); Thurs. Omaha (\$50, 7p); Fri. (\$115, 7p); Sun. (\$30, 4p). See ad on Page 43.	Big High Hand \$300 every 30 min. (Fri.) and \$500 every 30 min. (Sat.); high hand (daily).
<b>PALM BEACH KENNEL CLUB</b> (561) 683-2222 - pbkennelclub.com	Daily (\$30-\$200) at noon & 6:30p. See ad Page 15.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha, and stud; mini bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; progressive jackpot and high hands (call for details).

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## FLORIDA (Continued)

<b>PENSACOLA GREYHOUND TRACK</b> (850) 455-8595 • pensacolagreyhoundtrack.com	Wed. & Sat. (\$100, 7p); Tue. & Thurs. \$10K sat. (\$50, 7p) & Sun. (\$50, 1p); Mon., Fri. & Sun. (\$50, 7p); Sat. (\$100, 7p); 2nd Sat. \$10K guar. (\$250, 1p); \$50K event, May 28-June 1.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads); mini bad-beat jackpot (Wed., 2p-10p); Free Play (up to \$3/hour, Sun.-Tue.). See ad on facing page.
<b>SARASOTA KENNEL CLUB</b> (941) 355-7744 x1054 • skcpoker.com	Daily (\$40-\$120); Fri. (\$220, 1p) Sat. (\$120, 2p); Sun. \$3K guar. (\$120, 2p).	Jackpot high hands (daily).
<b>SEMINOLE CASINO BRIGHTON</b> (866) 222-7466 x121 • seminolecasinobrighton.com	Monday \$500 added (\$50, 7p); Wednesday (\$20, 7p); 2nd Sat. of month (\$125, 4p).	Progressive spade royal flush in hold'em; progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands (Fri.-Sun.); Rolling Cash Fever (Wed.); Tourney High Hand pays \$100 (Mon.).
<b>SEMINOLE CASINO COCONUT CREEK</b> (866) 222-7466 • seminolecoconutcreekcasino.com	Mon. (\$70, 11a) & (\$120, 6p); Tue. (\$70, 6p); Wed. Omaha/8 (\$110, noon) & (\$120, 6p); Thurs. (\$70, 11a) & (\$100, 6p); Fri. (\$100, 6p); Sat. (\$70, 11a & 6p).	WPT Regional, May 21-26 (call for details).
<b>SEMINOLE HARD ROCK HOLLYWOOD</b> (866) 502-7529 • seminolehardrockhollywood.com	Daily (\$80-\$350); guaranteed prize pools (call for details). See ad Page 7 for deepstack series in May.	Hourly high hands in limit and no-limit (daily).
<b>SEMINOLE HARD ROCK TAMPA</b> (866) 502-7529 • seminolehardrocktampa.com	Daily (\$40-\$550), including Wed. (\$225, alternates between 12:30p-7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
<b>SEMINOLE CASINO IMMOKALEE</b> (866) 222-7466 • theseminolecasino.com	Wed. (\$40, 7p); Fri. NL Omaha/8 (\$50, 7p); Sat. rake-free (\$115, 7p). See ad Page 18.	All quads, straight flushes and royals are progressive from \$50; Pay Double (Fri. & Sat., 2a-4a); qualify for a \$5.3K seat to the \$10M SHRPO in August (call for details).
<b>TAMPA BAY DOWNS</b> (813) 298-1798 • tampa baydowns.com	Daily (\$20-\$200) at 1p and 7p; freerolls (Sun.-Thurs., 10a). See ad Page 25.	High hand cash w/table share payouts (Tue., 1p-7p & 9p-1a); Splash the Pot; \$599 high hand (Fri., 1p-mid.).
<b>TAMPA GREYHOUND TRACK</b> (813) 932-4313 • luckyscards.com	Daily (\$20-\$45); Sun.-Thurs. (2p & 6:30p); Fri.-Sat. (2p, 7:30p). Sunday Challenge, last Sun. of every month (\$115, 1p, 15K chips).	Rise & Shine starts at \$500 (daily, 11a-4p); Quads (\$50-\$75), straight flushes (\$150) and royals (\$300) from Sun.-Thurs. (4p-8p); high hands pay 2Xs (Fri.-Sat., 4p-8p).

## ILLINOIS

<b>GRAND VICTORIA ELGIN</b> (847) 531-7753 • grandvictoria-elgin.com	Call for information.	Comp dollars (call for details).
<b>HARRAH'S JOLIET</b> (815) 740-7480 • harrahsjoliet.com	Thursday (\$125, 7p, 4K chips, 20-minute levels); Sunday (\$125, 4p, 4K chips); 1st Sat. KO; 2nd & 4th Sat. Deepstack; 3rd Sat. MiniDeep (call for details).	Mega bad-beat jackpot (quad eights); mini bad-beat jackpot (aces full of kings); get paid for straight and royal flushes.
<b>HOLLYWOOD CASINO AURORA</b> (630) 801-7471 • hollywoodcasinoaurora.com	Wednesday (\$160, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad fives.
<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, 6p); Tue. (\$40, 7p); Wed. (\$50, 7p); Sun. (\$80, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>PAR-A-DICE CASINO</b> (309) 698-6693 • paradicecasino.com	Mon. (\$115, 7p); Sun. (\$115, 11a) & (\$55, 7p).	Call for information.
<b>ROCKFORD CHARITABLE GAMES</b> (800) 965-7852 • rccgpoker.com	WSOP super satellites, May 17, 24 & 31 (\$333), one \$10K seat guaranteed for each satellite. See ad Page 45 and call for details.	Rakeback cash drawings three times daily; NL cash games \$4 rake.

## INDIANA

<b>BELTERRA CASINO RESORT</b> (812) 427-7777 • belterracasino.com	Mon. & Wed. (\$40, 7:15p); Tue. (\$65, 7:15p); Thurs. (\$40, 12:15p & \$65, 7:15p); Fri. (\$65, 12:15p) & (\$65, 7:15p); Sat. & Sun. (\$85, 11:15a); Sat. (\$65, 7:15p); Sun. (\$40, 5:15p).	Call for information.
<b>BLUE CHIP</b> (219) 861-4820 • bluechipcasino.com	Tue. & Thurs. (\$20 w/\$20 rebuys, 6p); Wed. (\$60, 6p); Sat. & Sun. (\$80, noon); 1st & 3rd Mon. (\$150, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; High Hand of the Hour (Mon.-Fri., 10a-4p) pays \$50 per hour; Weekend "Full of" Cash pays up to \$800 (Fri., 6p, 8p, 10p, mid.).
<b>HOLLYWOOD CASINO LAWRENCEBURG</b> (812) 539-8000 • www.hollywoodindiana.com	Daily (\$80-\$150) at 11:15a & 7:15p.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; WPT satellite freeroll for top tournament point earners (call for details).
<b>HORSESHOE HAMMOND</b> (219) 473-6065 • horseshoehammond.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$100, 11a); Mon. & Tues. KO (\$120, 7p); Thurs. (\$200, 7p); Sun. (\$200, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in select games.
<b>HORSESHOE SOUTHERN INDIANA</b> (812) 969-6000 • horseshoe-indiana.com	Daily; 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 hold'em and limit hold'em.
<b>MAJESTIC STAR II</b> (219) 977-7444 • majesticstarcasino.com	Wed. (\$55, 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 7p); Fri. (\$130, 7p); Sat. (\$60, 1p & \$105, 7p); Sun. (\$55, 11a & \$60, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of kings; tournament bad-beat jackpot; TV giveaway, May 13 & 27 (earn entrees by playing cash, call for details).

## IOWA

<b>DIAMOND JO CASINO NORTHWOOD</b> (641) 323-7777 • diamondjocasino.com	Tue. (\$40, 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 7p); Fri. (\$25, 2p); Sat. (\$40, 2p); Sun. (\$60, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em was \$150K-plus at press time; mini bad-beat jackpot; straight flush 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).	Call for information on future promotions.
<b>HORSESHOE COUNCIL BLUFFS</b> (877) 771-7463 • horseshoecouncilbluffs.com	Mon., Wed. (\$65, 10a); Mon. varies (\$100, 7p); Tue. (\$65, 7p); Thurs. KO (\$100, 7p); Sun. (\$50, 10a & 2p); Fat Stack, Sat. (\$130) and 4th Sat. (\$350).	Bad-beat jackpot is quad deuces in hold'em and quad 10s in Omaha; high-hand.
<b>MESKWAKI CASINO</b> (641) 484-2108 • meskwaki.com	Tue. (\$25 w/rebuys, 7p); Wed. Omaha/8 (\$30, 7p); Thurs. (\$30 w/re-entry, 7p); Sat. & Sun. (\$30, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; royal flush jackpot.
<b>MYSTIQUE GREYHOUND PARK</b> (563) 585-2964 • mystiqueqbq.com	Thursday (\$40, 6p); Friday (\$60, 1p); Sunday (\$65, 1p).	Straight flush progressive jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud pays 10 jackpots (call for details).
<b>RAIRIE MEADOWS CASINO</b> (515) 967-8543 • prairieimeadows.com	Tue. (\$30, noon); Wed. (\$30, 7p); Sun. (\$60, noon); KO event on 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of jacks losing to quads; straight flush pays \$200.
<b>RIVERSIDE CASINO</b> (319) 648-1234 • riversidecasinoandresort.com	Mon. & Fri. limit Omaha/8 (\$30, 11a); Tue. (\$25, 7p); Wed. KO (\$50, 7p); Thurs. (\$30, 6p); Fri. ante only (\$30, 5p); Sat. (\$30, 1p); Sun. qualifiers (2p); last Sat. (\$100, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (aces full of kings) and Omaha (quad 10s); player comps (call for details).
<b>WINNAVEGAS</b> (712) 428-9466 • winnavegas.biz	Call for information.	High-hand bonus jackpot.

## KANSAS

<b>BOOT HILL CASINO</b> (877) 906-0777 • boothillcasino.com	Monday (\$75, 6p).	Call for information.
<b>HOLLYWOOD CASINO</b> (913) 288-9300 • hollywoodcasinokansas.com	Mon. (\$65, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>KANSAS STAR CASINO</b> (316) 719-5000 • kansasstarcasino.com	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Red Aces Cracked wins a rack of red (\$500) every night after midnight.	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Splash Pot Saturdays pay \$100 on selected table every hour from noon-mid.

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LOCATION	TOURNAMENTS/SPECIAL EVENTS	JACKPOTS/PROMOTIONS
<b>BOOMTOWN NEW ORLEANS</b> (800) 366-7711 • boomtownneworleans.com	Tuesday Freeroll (11a) for 4 or 5 Star Players; Wed. (\$35 w/\$10 add-on, 7p); Thurs. \$1K guarantee.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quad sixes) and Omaha; Aces Cracked (Tue. & Thurs.); mini bad-beat jackpot is aces full of jacks beaten by quads; Splash the Pot (daily).
<b>COUCHATTA CASINO</b> (800) 584-7263 • couchattacasinoresort.com	A Daily; Tue. KO (\$100, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$110, 6:30p); Fri. (\$175, 6:30p); Sat. (\$220, 2p); Sun. (\$110, noon). Ante Up Poker Cruise giveaways June-Sept. See story Page 39.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Aces Cracked (Mon. & Wed.); high hand of the hour (Tue. & Thurs.).
<b>ELDORADO CASINO SHREVEPORT</b> (318) 220-5274 • eldoradoshreveport.com	Mon. (\$55 w/\$20 rebuys); Tue. (\$105 w/\$50 add-on, 6:30p); Wed. (\$120 w/\$25 KO, 6:30p); Sat. (\$120 w/\$75 add-on, 11a); Sun. (\$145, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads; straight flush pays \$100 (24/7); Aces Cracked (Mon.-Thurs., 2a-2p); tournament bad-beat jackpot.
<b>HARRAH'S NEW ORLEANS</b> (504) 533-6000 • harrahsneworleans.com	Call for schedule.	Call for promotions.
<b>HORSESHOE CASINO BOSSIER CITY</b> (800) 895-0711 • horseshoebossiercity.com	Mon., Wed., Sat., Sun. (\$100-\$200 w/rebuys & add-ons) including Thurs. (\$200, 6p).	High hands (Sun. & Wed.); Aces Cracked (Mon., Tue., Fri.); Splash Cash (Thurs.). Call for details and times.
<b>ISLE OF CAPRI LAKE CHARLES</b> (337) 430-2407 • lake-charles.isleofcapricasinios.com	Monday (\$60, 6:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; minor jackpots daily; cash giveaways (daily).
<b>JENA CHOCTAW PINES CASINO</b> (318) 648-7773 • jenachocatawpinescasino.com	Tournaments run on Wed., Fri., Sat., and twice on Sun. (call for schedule).	Bad-bead jackpot in hold'em is aces full of 10s.
<b>L'AUBERGE BATON ROUGE CASINO</b> (225) 215-7777 • labatonrouge.com	Call for information.	Call for promotions.
<b>L'AUBERGE DU LAC CASINO</b> (337) 395-7777 • ldlcasino.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; player comps earned on a tier basis (call for details).
<b>PARAGON CASINO RESORT</b> (800) 946-1946 • paragoncasinoresort.com	Mon. KO (\$20, 7p); Tue. (\$18, 10:30a); Fri. (\$60, 7p).	Straight Flush Saturdays; progressive royal-flush jackpot; Wheel Straight Flush (call for details); high hand pays \$50 per half hour (Wed.-Fri., noon-3p & 7p-10p).

## MARYLAND

<b>HOLLYWOOD CASINO PERRYVILLE</b> (410) 378-8500 • hollywoodcasinoperryville.com	Mon., Wed., Fri. & Sun. (\$50, 15 min levels, 10K chips, noon); Tue., Thurs. & Fri. KO (\$85, 15-min. levels, 15K chips, 7p); call for details about the casino employees event.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad deuces or better beaten.
<b>MARYLAND LIVE CASINO</b> (443) 445-2500 • marylandlivecasino.com	Call for information.	Check website for more information about the satellites into the Players Poker Championship.

## MICHIGAN

<b>FIREKEEPERS CASINO</b> (269) 962-0000 • firekeeperscasino.com	Mon.-Sat. (\$70, 10a); Mon. & Wed. (\$70, 6:30p); Tue. KO (\$70, 6:30p); Thurs. PLO (\$55, 6:30p); Sun. (\$110, noon); second Sunday of month (\$220, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is aces full of jacks beaten by quads; Match the Stack; high hand bonus (daily); MSPTour Battle Creek, May 9-18 (call for details).
<b>GREEKTOWN HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (313) 223-2999 • greektowncasino.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; secondary bad-beat jackpot; high hand jackpot; earn tickets every day for drawings (Tue. & Fri.) - call for details.
<b>LEELANAU SANDS CASINO</b> (231) 534-8100 • casinow2win.com	Call for information.	Call for promotions.
<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 w/rebuys, 6:30p); Wed. KO (\$45, 6:30p); Sun. (\$60, 12:30p); 1st Fri. of month (\$175, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; Soaring Hand jackpots increase daily (call for details).
<b>TURTLE CREEK CASINO &amp; HOTEL</b> (231) 534-8937 • turtlecreekcasino.com	Tournaments featured monthly (call for details).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

## MINNESOTA

<b>CANTERBURY PARK</b> (952) 445-7223 • canterburypark.com	Mon., Wed., Fri., Sun. (\$50, 10:30a); Mon. KO (\$120, 6:30p); Tue. (\$50, 6:30p); Wed. (\$235, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$50, 6:30p); Sat. (\$180, 10:30a); Sun. (\$100, 6:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; high hand/hr (Mon., 9a-mid.); Aces Cracked (Tue., 10a-6p); \$1.5K Cash for Quads Board (Thurs., 8a & 5p).
<b>RUNNING ACES HARNESS PARK</b> (651) 925-4600 • runningacesharness.com	A No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; secondary bad-beat jackpot; high hand jackpot; earn tickets every day for drawings (Tue. & Fri.) - call for details.
<b>TREASURE ISLAND RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (651) 388-6300 • treasureislandcasino.com	Call for information.	Call for promotions.

## MISSISSIPPI

<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; Super Mini Bad-Beat Jackpot (24/7/365); Aces Cracked (Sun., Mon. & Wed., 9a-mid.).
<b>GOLDEN NUGGET BILOXI</b> (228) 436-7967 • goldennugget.com/biloxi	Mon. (\$65, 7p); Tue. (\$100, 7p); Wed. & Sun. (\$40 w/rebuys, 7p); Thurs. (\$70, 7p). Splash the pot (Sun.-Fri., 8a-4p) on every table; Aces Cracked (Sun.-Fri., 8a-4p) w/	Happy Hour from 2p-6p & mid.-4a; bad-beat jackpots in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
<b>HARD ROCK BILOXI</b> (228) 374-7625 • hardrockbiloxi.com	Mon. KO (\$40, 3p); Thurs. (\$30, 3p); Fri. (\$35, 3p); Sat. (\$55, 3p); Sun. (\$30, 3p).	Bad-beat jackpot is aces full of queens; Hard Rock Jackpot Hands (daily); Splash the Pot (Thurs.-Mon.); Set over Set (Sun.-Tue.); high hand (Tue. & Wed.).
<b>HARRAH'S TUNICA</b> (800) 946-4946 x33760 • harrahstunica.com	Mon. & Fri. (\$60, 1p); Tue. (\$70, 1p); Wed. & Thurs. (\$35 w/\$20 add-on, 1p); Fri. (\$40, 6p); Sat. (\$70, 1p & \$70, 6p); Sun. (\$50, 1p & \$60, 6p).	Win \$25 every half hour with \$4/\$8 Hot Seat (call for details).
<b>HOLLYWOOD CASINO TUNICA</b> (800) 871-0711 x5005 • hollywoodtunica.com	Daily (\$10-\$40). Mon., Wed., Thurs. (6p); Fri. & Sat. (7p); Sat. & Sun. (2p); Sun. \$1K guar. (\$10 w/rebuys & \$20 add-on, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads, must be in \$3-\$6 or higher) and Omaha.
<b>HORSESHOE CASINO TUNICA</b> (662) 357-5608 • horseshoetunica.com	Mon.-Wed. (\$50, 7p); Thurs. KO (\$50, 7p); Fri. (\$90, 6p); Sat. \$12K guar. (\$150, noon); Sun. (\$90, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; call for more daily promotions.
<b>IP CASINO RESORT &amp; SPA</b> (888) 946-2847 x8554 • ipbiloxi.com	Daily (\$60, noon); WPT Regional, May 9-11 (call for details).	Poker Squares pay up to \$1K (Sun. & Mon.).
<b>PEARL RIVER RESORT</b> (601) 663-1040 • pearlriverresort.com	Mon. \$2K guar. (\$25 w/\$10 rebuy, 7p); Wed. \$1K guar. (\$40, 7p); Fri. \$1.5K guar. (\$50, 2p) & \$2K guar. (\$50, 7p); Sat. \$2K guar. (\$25 w/\$10 rebuy, 11a) & \$3K guar. (\$125, 5p).	\$1.5K freeroll (Sun., 3p) w/15 hours of play each week; call for details.

## MISSOURI

<b>AMERISTAR ST. CHARLES</b> (636) 949-7777 • ameristar.com	Mon. (\$65, 7p); Tue. (\$65, 7p); Wed. KO (\$85, 7p); Thurs. (\$50, 7p); Fri.-Sat. (\$60, noon); Sun. (\$100, noon).	Bad beat in hold'em and Omaha; high hands; top two winners from daily events earn entry into a monthly Tournament of Stars held 1st Sat. of month (11a).
<b>AMERISTAR KANSAS CITY</b> (816) 414-7000 • ameristar.com	Mon. (\$65, 7p); Tue. (\$65, 7p); Wed. KO (\$85, 7p); Thurs. (\$50, 7p); Fri.-Sat. (\$60, noon); Sun. (\$100, noon); Heartland Poker Tour, April 24-May 5 (call for details).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (see website for details).
<b>HARRAH'S NORTH KANSAS CITY</b> (816) 472-7777 • harrahsnkc.com	Sun.-Thurs. (\$80, 1p & 7p); Fri. (\$80, 10a & 7p); Sat. (\$120, 10a); Sat. pineapple (\$80, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot; high hands (call for details).
<b>HOLLYWOOD ST. LOUIS</b> (314) 770-8100 • hollywoodcasinostlouis.com	Mon.-Wed. (\$60, 1p & 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 1p & \$160, 7p); Fri. (\$60, 1p & \$125, 7p); every other Sun. (\$60, noon & 5p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
<b>LUMIERE PLACE</b> (314) 881-7777 • lumiereplace.com	Daily (\$45, noon); Fri. & Sat. (\$60, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>RIVER CITY CASINO</b> (888) 578-7289 • rivercity.com	Thurs. KO (\$85, noon & \$125, 7p); Fri. (\$65, noon); Sat. (\$65, noon); Sun. KO (\$150, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is nines full of jacks or better; \$400K paid out yearly; call for details on coverall board.

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LOCATION	TOURNAMENTS/SPECIAL EVENTS	JACKPOTS/PROMOTIONS
<b>ARIA</b> (866) 359-7111 • <a href="http://ariasvegas.com">ariasvegas.com</a>	Twice daily at 1p & 7p (\$125 w/o one optional re-entry, 10K chips, 30-minute levels). See ad on facing page.	No jackpots.
<b>ATLANTIS CASINO RESORT SPA RENO</b> (800) 723-6500 • <a href="http://atlantiscasino.com">atlantiscasino.com</a>	Daily (\$40 w/\$10 add-on, 11a).	Prog. quads, straight flush, royals and bad-beat bonus; 2X comps per hour; live-play bonus drawings (\$100-\$500); prize-wheel spin for Aces Cracked and quads.
<b>BALLY'S LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 967-4111 • <a href="http://ballyslasvegas.com">ballyslasvegas.com</a>	Daily (\$65, 9a, 11a, 2p, 5p & 8p) w/\$1K guaranteed prize pools.	High hands (call for details).
<b>BELLAGIO</b> (702) 693-7111 • <a href="http://bellagio.com">bellagio.com</a>	Daily (\$125, 5p); Summer High Roller Series, May 29-June 27.	No jackpots.
<b>BINION'S GAMBLING HALL</b> (702) 382-1600 • <a href="http://binions.com">binions.com</a>	Daily (\$60-\$100) at 10a, 2p, 7p and 10p.	High hands; quads pays (\$50); straight flush pays (\$100); royals pay (\$250).
<b>BOOMTOWN RENO</b> (775) 345-6000 • <a href="http://boomtownreno.com">boomtownreno.com</a>	Call for schedule.	Cash drawings; get paid for quads (\$25), straight flush (\$50), and royals (\$100).
<b>BOULDER STATION HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (702) 432-7777 • <a href="http://boulderstation.com">boulderstation.com</a>	No tournaments.	Multiroom prog. bad beat in hold'em starts at quad sixes and pays \$75K guaranteed; high hands (Thurs.); Aces Cracked (Thurs.); \$500 high hand (Mon. & Sun.).
<b>CAESARS PALACE</b> (702) 731-7110 • <a href="http://caesarspalace.com">caesarspalace.com</a>	Daily (\$70, 9a); Mon.-Fri. \$2K guar. (\$110, noon); daily (\$70, 4p); daily (\$110, 7p); daily (\$85, 10p); Sat. & Sun. \$5K guar. (\$235, 2p); WSOP Warm-Up until May 4.	High hand; get paid for quads (\$100), straight flush (\$200) and royals (\$500); Aces and Faces Cracked on limit games; \$3 max rake on limit games only.
<b>ELDORADO HOTEL CASINO</b> (775) 786-5700 • <a href="http://eldoradoreno.com">eldoradoreno.com</a>	Daily (\$30, 10a); Tue. (\$30, 6p); Wed.-Thurs. (\$30, 6p); Friday freeroll on the first Friday of every month (\$2.5K added).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em and stud; quads or better is paid daily.
<b>EXCALIBUR HOTEL AND CASINO</b> (702) 597-7777 • <a href="http://excalibur.com">excalibur.com</a>	Daily (\$35, 9a; \$40, 1p, 5p & 8p); all tournaments allow re-entry until the first break.	Bad-beat in hold'em is aces full beaten by quads; spin the wheel pays \$20-\$300 for quads or Aces Cracked; four 2s w/pocket pair pays \$22; royal w/both cards pays \$555.
<b>FLAMINGO LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 733-3111 • <a href="http://flamingolasvegas.com">flamingolasvegas.com</a>	Five tournaments daily (\$50, 10a, 2p, 6p, 9p, 12:30a).	Get paid for quads (\$50), straight flush (\$100), and royals (\$500); high hand of hour pays \$50 (8a-8p); \$2K freeroll (Mon. & Fri.); monthly freeroll w/\$12K prize pool.
<b>GOLDEN NUGGET LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 385-7111 • <a href="http://golden nugget.com">golden nugget.com</a>	Daily (\$65) at 1a, 4a, 11a, 3p, 7p, 10p; Sun. \$5K guar. (\$100, 9a).	High hand between 2a-2p wins 2x the jackpot.
<b>GRAND SIERRA RESORT</b> (775) 789-2000 • <a href="http://grandsierraresort.com">grandsierraresort.com</a>	Sun.-Thurs. (\$25 w/\$20 rebuys, 11a & 6:30p); Fri. & Sat. KO (\$65, 11a) & (\$100, 6:30p).	Aces Cracked pays \$50 (Sun.-Thurs.).
<b>GREEN VALLEY RANCH</b> (702) 617-7777 • <a href="http://greenvalleyranchresort.com">greenvalleyranchresort.com</a>	Daily (\$40, 10a); high hand cash prizes during tournament play; runner-runner quads with pair in hand pays \$500 (call for details).	Multiroom prog. bad-beat jackpot in hold'em starts at quad sixes and pays \$75K guaranteed; progressive high hands (daily); royals are worth \$5K-\$10K (all suits).
<b>HARD ROCK LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 693-5000 • <a href="http://hardrockhotel.com">hardrockhotel.com</a>	Daily (\$60, noon & 8p) except Mon. (\$30 w/\$10 rebuys, 8p).	Progressive high hands (daily); Aces Cracked (Mon.-Fri., 11a-4p); \$100 hourly high hand (Mon.-Fri., 11a-4p); High 5 Promotion (Mon.-Thurs., 4p-10p).
<b>HARRAH'S LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 369-5000 • <a href="http://harrahslasvegas.com">harrahslasvegas.com</a>	Daily (\$60, 6K chips, 10a & 3p) & (\$100 w/\$25 bounties, 10K chips, 8p).	Mega Beat Jackpot starts at \$200K; 20 hours for \$20K freeroll (call for details).
<b>HARVEYS LAKE TAHOE</b> (775) 588-6611 • <a href="http://harveystahoe.com">harveystahoe.com</a>	Daily (\$40, 10a); Mon. & Wed. (\$50, 6p); Tue. & Thurs. (\$75, 6p); Fri. (\$95, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads; progressive rewards jackpot is paid on quad nines or better and straight and royal flushes.
<b>LVH HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (702) 732-5111 • <a href="http://thelvh.com">thelvh.com</a>	\$2.5K freeroll (call for details).	Food comps available based on play (call for details).
<b>LUXOR HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (702) 262-4000 • <a href="http://luxor.com">luxor.com</a>	Progressive bad-beat jackpot starts at \$2.5K (aces full of jacks beaten by quads) includes room shares; High Hand Hysteria pays \$100-\$2K; Football Madness.	Progressive bad-beat jackpot starts at \$2.5K (aces full of jacks beaten by quads) includes room shares; High Hand Hysteria pays anywhere from \$100-\$2K.
<b>MANDALAY BAY</b> 702-632-7777 • <a href="http://mandalaybay.com">mandalaybay.com</a>	Mon.-Sun. (\$40, 10a), (\$50, 3p), (\$65, 10p).	Prog. high hands (daily); tiered high-hand bonus (Mon., Wed., & Fri.) pays to flop it (\$300), turn it (\$200) and river it (\$100); Hit the Chip-Share the Wealth (daily).
<b>MGM GRAND LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 891-1111 • <a href="http://mgmgrand.com">mgmgrand.com</a>	Daily (\$35 w/\$5 rebuys, 11a), (\$50, 2p), (\$80, 7p); Sun.-Thurs. (\$50, 10p).	Quads pay up to \$1K; straight flush pays up to \$3K; royals pay up to \$5K; Grand Giveaway pays up to \$1K eight times a week.
<b>MIRAGE</b> (702) 791-7111 • <a href="http://mirage.com">mirage.com</a>	Daily (\$60, 11a & 7p) & (\$50, 2p & 10p); Sat. (\$110, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot; high hands; Aces Cracked; high hand of the hour; Déjà Vu Progressive Jackpot (call for details).
<b>MONTE CARLO RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (702) 730-7777 • <a href="http://montecarlo.com">montecarlo.com</a>	Daily (\$50, 9a), (\$40, 2p) & (\$60, 6p & 11p); monthly \$16K freeroll (25 hours minimum); call for details.	Table Share (call for details); highest hand of the morning; highest hand of the day.
<b>THE ORLEANS</b> (702) 365-7111 • <a href="http://orleanscasino.com">orleanscasino.com</a>	Mon.-Thurs. various games (\$50, 12:05p & \$80/\$100, 7:05p); Fri. (\$50, 12:05p) & (\$125, 7:05p); Sat. (\$80, 12:05p & \$100, 7:05p); Sun. (\$80, 12:05p) & (\$100, 7:05p).	\$50K prog. hold'em bad beat; Triple Draw Cash Drawings; Splash Pots; hourly high hands; Hot Seat Drawings; Orleans Open, May 24-June 2 (call for details).
<b>PALACE STATION</b> (702) 367-2453 • <a href="http://palacestation.com">palacestation.com</a>	No tournaments.	Multiroom prog. bad beat in hold'em starts at quad sixes and pays \$75K guar.; multiroom jumbo royals start at \$5K; progressive Omaha high hands; quads pays \$25 (24/7).
<b>PALMS CASINO</b> (702) 942-7777 • <a href="http://palms.com">palms.com</a>	No tournaments.	\$105K Holiday Cash Giveaway; high hand every half-hour; Aces Cracked; Splash Pot Bonuses.
<b>PEPPERMILL RESORT CASINO</b> (775) 826-2121 • <a href="http://peppermillreno.com">peppermillreno.com</a>	Mon.-Fri. (\$45-\$60) at 12:30p & 6:30p; Sat. \$300 added (\$45, 12:30p); Sun. \$300 added (\$40, 2p).	High hand; get paid for straight flushes and royals; player comps (120 hours of play earns \$2.50/hour; 30 hours of play earns entry into \$10K monthly freeroll).
<b>PLANET HOLLYWOOD</b> (702) 785-5555 • <a href="http://planethollywoodresort.com">planethollywoodresort.com</a>	Daily (\$75) at 10a, 1p, 4p and 7p w/\$1.5K guaranteed; \$1.5K guar. Micromania Tue.-Thurs. (\$10 w/rebuys and add-on, 9p); Mon. PLO \$1K guar. (\$65).	Phamous Poker Series V, June 6-July 6 (call for details).
<b>QUAD RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (800) 634-6441 • <a href="http://thquadly.com">thquadly.com</a>	Daily (\$30, 11:30a, 2:30p, 5:30p, 8:30p & 11:30p); qualify for \$2K freerolls on Mon. and Fri. w/ monthly \$12K payout (earn entries by playing at Quad and Flamingo).	Aces Cracked pays \$100 (daily, 8a-8p or until 5 jackpots paid); high hands- get paid for quads (\$50), straight flush (\$100); royal flush (\$500 w/\$50 table share).
<b>RED ROCK CASINO</b> (702) 797-7777 • <a href="http://redrock.sclv.com">redrock.sclv.com</a>	Mon. & Thurs. KO (\$100, 11a) & (\$100, 6:30p); Tue.-Wed. (\$60, 11a) & (\$75, 6:30p); Fri.-Sun. (\$100, 11a); Sun. (\$60, 6:30p).	Multiroom prog. bad beat in hold'em starts at quad sixes and pays \$75K guaranteed; royal flush (w/both cards) pays min. of \$500 and progressive up to \$120K.
<b>RIO CASINO</b> (702) 777-7777 • <a href="http://riolasvegas.com">riolasvegas.com</a>	Daily (\$70) at noon, 3p, 6p, 9p and mid.; World Series of Poker, May 27-July 14 w/ main event starting July 5 (\$10K); WSOP daily deepstacks, May 27-July 14.	Mega bad-beat jackpot starts at \$200K; progressive royals start at \$1K; cash drawings pay \$100 (5a, 7a, 9a and 11a).
<b>SAM'S TOWN LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 456-7777 • <a href="http://samtowntlv.com">samtowntlv.com</a>	Daily (\$23, 10a); daily (\$30 w/rebuy, 1p); Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. (\$35, 7p); Fri.-Sat. (\$55, 7p); 2nd and 4th Sat. (\$105, 7p).	Uncapped progressive high hands; Aces Cracked pays \$50 (mid.-noon & 4p-9p).
<b>SANTA FE STATION CASINO</b> (702) 658-4900 • <a href="http://santafestationlasvegas.com">santafestationlasvegas.com</a>	Sun.-Thurs. (\$45, 7p); Mon.-Sat. (\$45, noon); Fri.-Sat. (\$45, 6p).	Multiroom progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em starts at quad sixes and pays \$75K guaranteed; tournament bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>SOUTH POINT HOTEL CASINO</b> (702) 796-7111 • <a href="http://southpointcasino.com">southpointcasino.com</a>	Mon.-Tue. & Thurs.-Sat. (\$60, 10a, 2p & 7p); Wed. & Sun. (\$60, 10a & 2p) & (\$100, 6p).	High hand (daily).
<b>STRATOSPHERE CASINO, HOTEL &amp; TOWER</b> (702) 944-4915 • <a href="http://stratospherehotels.com">stratospherehotels.com</a>	Daily at 11a, 7p and 11p (\$45 w/\$20 add-on); \$65 SNGs (24/7).	Royal and straight-flush jackpots; high-hand jackpot; get paid for quads, straight flushes and royals; Aces Cracked (Mon.-Fri., 9a-5p).
<b>SUNCOAST HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> (702) 636-7111 • <a href="http://suncoastcasino.com">suncoastcasino.com</a>	Daily at 10a & 7p; Mon. & Tue. (\$45 w/\$20 add-on, 7p); Wed. & Sun. KO (\$65 w/\$20 bounties, 7p); all 10a tournaments are \$45 w/\$20 add-on.	High-hand bonus for quads or better; earn comp dollars for playing live games.
<b>TEXAS STATION</b> (702) 631-1000 • <a href="http://texastation.com">texastation.com</a>	Fri. (\$35, 7p).	Jumbo Jackpot is quad fours beaten.
<b>TREASURE ISLAND</b> (702) 894-7111 • <a href="http://treasureisland.com">treasureisland.com</a>	Daily (\$40-\$70) at 11a, 2p, 7p and 10p.	Get Paid to Play promo, earn up to \$12/hr., including food and beverage comps (call for details).
<b>VENETIAN RESORT</b> (702) 414-1000 • <a href="http://venetian.com">venetian.com</a>	Mon.-Thurs. (\$150, noon); nightly (\$125, 7p); Tue. KO (\$200, 7p); Fri. KO (\$200, noon) & Survivor (\$200, 7p); Sat. KO (\$300, noon) & KO (\$200, 7p); Sun. (\$200, noon).	Deep Stack Extravaganza III, May 22-July 15 w/\$1M guar., July 12 (\$5K).
<b>WENDOVER NUGGET</b> (775) 664-2221 • <a href="http://wendovernugget.com">wendovernugget.com</a>	Wed. & Thurs. (\$40, 8:30p); Fri. & Sat. (\$60, 8:30p); Sun. (\$40, 1p); re-entry allowed during first round of play.	Four high hands every 4 hours (24/7); Aces Cracked matches the pot up to \$200 free play (daily).
<b>WYNN LAS VEGAS</b> (702) 770-7000 • <a href="http://wynnlasvegas.com">wynnlasvegas.com</a>	Mon.-Thurs. (\$140, noon); Thurs. KO (\$140, 7p); Fri. \$10K guar. (\$200, noon); Sat. \$25K guar. (\$225, noon); Sun. \$10K guar. (\$200, noon).	Call for promotions.

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**NEW JERSEY**

<b>BALLY'S (WILD WILD WEST CASINO)</b> (609) 340-2000 • ballysac.com	Sun.-Thurs. 11a and 7p. (\$75) and turbos at 3p (\$40); Fri. & Sat. 11a and 7p (\$200)	Call for promotions.
<b>BORGATA HOTEL CASINO</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).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad 10s; mini bad beat in hold'em is quad deuces-nines; see website for more promotions.
<b>GOLDEN NUGGET ATLANTIC CITY</b> (800) 777-8477 • golden nugget.com/atlanticcity	Call for information.	Bad-beat jackpot; high-hand winner every hour (11a-1a).
<b>HARRAH'S ATLANTIC CITY</b> (609) 441-5000 • harrahsresort.com	Sun.-Sat. (\$60, 12:15p); Mon. & Wed. \$2.5K guar. (\$65, 8:15p); Tue., Thurs. & Sun. (\$60, 8:15p); Fri. & Sat. \$5K guar. (\$65, 7:15p); daily (\$60, mid.).	Harrah's AC multiroom bad-beat jackpot starts at quad kings and decreases every Wednesday if it doesn't get hit.
<b>SHOWBOAT ATLANTIC CITY</b> (609) 343-4000 • showboatcasino.com	Daily \$65 (11a, 2a & 7p); nightly \$60 (11p); \$20K starting stack for all tournaments; Fri. & Sat. 7p events pay \$5K guar. with unlimited re-entry for 6 levels.	Harrah's AC multiroom bad-beat jackpot starts at quad kings and decreases every Wednesday if it doesn't get hit.
<b>TROPICANA ATLANTIC CITY</b> (609) 340-4000 • tropicana.net	Mon.-Sun. (\$50, 11:15a & 7:15p); SNGs available.	Bad-beat Jackpot in hold'em is quad 8s; monthly cash giveaway; rated tournament play (call for details).
<b>TRUMP TAJ MAHAL CASINO RESORT</b> (609) 449-1000 • playtajpoker.com	Daily (\$50-\$230) at 12:15p, 4:15p, 7:15p, & mid., including two deepstacks on Saturdays (\$230, 7:15p) & (\$120, 4:15p & mid.).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads); high hands are entered into drawings to win \$1K; 50-50 club (call for details).

**NEW MEXICO**

<b>BUFFALO THUNDER CASINO</b> (505) 455-5555 • buffalothunderresort.com	Mon. (\$25 w/rebuy, 6:30p); Tue. (\$40, 6:30p); Fri. & Sat. (\$75, 6:30p); Sun. (\$25 w/rebuys, 5p); last Sat. of month, May 31 (\$150, 1p).	Progressive bad beat in hold'em; Flush 4; Easy Aces Mini Bad Beat; quads or better high hands; late night high hands (Sun.-Thurs., 11p-2a) pays up to \$225 nightly.
<b>INN OF THE MOUNTAIN GODS</b> (575) 464-7777 • innofthemountaintogods.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$20, noon); Mon.-Fri. satellites (\$60); Sun. (\$55, 2p). See ad Page 24.	Bad-beat jackpot; royals pay \$500; straight flush pays \$250; quad aces pays (\$150); quads pays \$50; call for details.
<b>ISLETA RESORT &amp; CASINO</b> (505) 724-3800 • hardrockcasinoadq.com	Daily (\$20-\$50) at 2p & 7p, including Fri. & Sat. (\$50, 7p); many tournaments have rebuys and add-ons.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; tournament bad-beat jackpot.
<b>ROUTE 66 CASINO</b> (505) 352-7866 • rt66casino.com	Daily (\$25-\$55); Mon.-Fri. (1p); Mon. (7p); Tue. & Thurs. (7p); Wed. (11a & 7p); Fri. (11a, 5p, & 8p); Sat. (1p, 5p & 8p); Sun. (7p).	Bad-beat jackpot; Action Aces (Mon.-Fri.); Splash the Pot; Aces Cracked pays \$50 for same color and \$25 for mixed colored aces.
<b>SANDIA RESORT</b> (505) 796-7500 • sandiacasino.com	Tue. \$300 added (\$40, 7p); Thurs. KO (\$65, 7p); deepstack series w/\$1K added to each event- events include hold'em, Omaha/8 and limit Omaha (call for details).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
<b>SANTA ANA STAR CASINO</b> (505) 867-0000 • santaanastar.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$30, 11a); Tue. (\$30, 7p); Wed. PLO & Thurs. KO (\$40, 7p); Fri. (\$100, 7p); Sat. (\$40, 11a) & H.O.R.S.E. (\$40, 7p); Sun. Omaha/8 (\$40, 11a) & (\$40, 7p).	Splash the Pot (Mon. & Tue., 8p-mid.); get paid for quads (\$50), straight flush (\$100) and royal flush (\$250).

**NEW YORK**

<b>SENECA NIAGARA</b> (877) 873-1211 • senecaniagaracasino.com	Mon. (\$60, 10a) & (\$90, 7p); Tue. & Thurs. (\$50, 10a & 7p); Wed. (\$100, 10a) & crazy pineapple (\$50, 7p); Fri. (\$80, 10a); Sat. (\$60, 10a) & (\$225, 11a); Sun. (\$60, 10a) & (\$100, 6p).	Progressive high hands (24/7); get paid for straight flushes (\$75) and royals (\$100); progressive bad beat in hold'em (quad 2s), Omaha (quad 9s) & stud (quad 2s).
<b>SENECA SALAMANCA</b> (877) 860-5130 • senecagames.com	Call for schedule; closed Mondays and Tuesdays.	Progressive bad beat jackpot in hold'em (quad deuces), Omaha (quad nines) and stud (quad sevens); Preferred Player Rewards (call for details).
<b>TURNING STONE RESORT</b> (800) 386-5366 • turningstone.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$60-\$100) at noon & 7p; Fri. (\$70, 2p & \$90, 7p); Sat. (\$100, 11a & \$125, 7p); Sun. (\$125, 11a & \$70, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot is in hold'em (quad deuces); royals pay \$100.

**NORTH/SOUTH CAROLINA**

<b>HARRAH'S CHEROKEE (N.C.)</b> (828) 497-7777 • harrahscherokee.com	Mon. (\$120, 7p); Tue. (\$60, 7p); Wed. (\$30, 7p); Wed. (\$30, mid.); Thurs. (\$60, 7p); Fri. (\$60, 4p); Sat. (\$120, 10a); Sun. (\$60, 2p).	Call for information.
<b>SUNCRUZ (S.C.)</b> (843) 280-2933 • suncruzaquasino.com	Tuesday (\$150, 7p); daily freerolls; last Sun. of month (\$330); call for details.	Bad-beat jackpot is aces full of jacks beaten by quads; get paid for quads (\$50), straight flush (\$100) and royals (\$200).

**OHIO**

<b>HOLLYWOOD COLUMBUS</b> (614) 308-3333 • hollywoodcolumbus.com	Mon. \$2K guar. (\$60, 7:15p); Fri. \$4K guar. (\$90, 12:15p); Sat. \$5K guar. KO (\$125, 12:15p); Sun. \$6K guar. (\$140, 12:15p); 2nd Sat. of month \$20K guar. (\$440, 12:15p).	Call for promotions. Hollywood Poker Open, May 16-25 w/main event, May 24-26 (\$1,800).
<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).	Hollywood Monthly Challenge, May 2-4 & 23-26 & 31 (call for details).
<b>HORSESHOE CINCINNATI</b> (877) 975-3436 • horseshoecincinnati.com	Mon. (\$110, 12:15p); Tue. & Thurs. (\$110, 6:30p); Wed. & Sun. (\$210, 12:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot starts at \$10K (call for details).
<b>HORSESHOE CLEVELAND</b> (216) 297-4777 • caesars.com/horseshoecleveland	Mon. (\$200, noon); Wed. (\$200, 7p); Thurs. PLO (\$100 w/re-entry, 7p); last Sunday of the month (\$500, noon).	Call for information.

**OKLAHOMA**

<b>CHEROKEE WEST SILOAM SPRINGS</b> (800) 754-4111 • cherokeestarewards.com	Daily (\$25 w/rebuys, 10a); Mon. pineapple (\$20 w/rebuys, 7p); Tue. (\$20 w/rebuys, 7p); Wed. (\$50, 7p); Thurs. \$rs. (\$30, 7p); Fri. KO (\$60, 7p); Sat. KO (\$100, 7p); Sun. (\$60, 2p).	Earn participation points for tournament results; Cherokee Poker Classic, May 16-25.
<b>CHOCTAW RESORT CASINO</b> (580) 920-0160 • choctawcasinos.com	Mon. & Wed.-Fri. (\$100-\$120, 7p); Tue. (\$60, 1p & 7p); Sat. (\$180, noon). See ad Page 31.	\$25K bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (daily); mini bad-beat jackpot (daily); Omaha bad-beat jackpot (daily).
<b>COMANCHE NATION</b> (580) 250-3030 • comanchenationcasino.com	Two tournaments a month (call for details); \$1K weekly freeroll (call for details).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; \$50 Splash Pots every hour (Mon.-Thurs., 1p-5p).
<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; tournament bad-beat jackpot.
<b>GRAND CASINO HOTEL &amp; RESORT</b> (405) 964-7263 • firelakegrand.com	Mon. (\$30, 11a & \$30 w/rebuys, 7p); Tue.-Wed. (\$15, 11a & \$50, 7p); Thurs. (\$50, 7p); Fri. (\$30, 11a & \$70, 6p); Sat. (\$120, 2p); Sun. (\$100, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>HARD ROCK TULSA</b> (918) 384-6648 • hardrockcasinotulsa.com	Daily (10a); Sun. & Mon. (5p); Tue.-Fri. (7p); - call for details.	Progressive jackpot for hold'em and static jackpot for other games; call for updated amount.
<b>INDIGO SKY CASINO</b> (888)-992-7591 • indigoskycasino.com	Tues. ante only (\$40, 7p); Wed. mature only (\$35, 2p) & (\$35, 7p); Thurs. (\$55, 7p); Fri. (\$65, 7p); Sat. (\$65, 7p); Sun. Crazy Pineapple (\$35, 3p).	Call for information.
<b>OSAGE CASINO TULSA</b> (877) 246-8777 • osagecasinos.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$30, 2p); Mon. PLO (\$40, 7:30p); Tue. & Thurs. \$800 guar. (\$40, 7:30p); Wed. KO (\$40, 7:30p); Sat. KO (\$60, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads beaten.
<b>RIVER SPIRIT CASINO</b> (918) 299-8518 • creeknationcasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$50, 9:30a); Mon. (\$30 w/rebuys, 7p); Tue. (\$50, 7p); Wed. (\$20 w/rebuys, 7p); Thurs. & Sun. KO (\$75, 7p); Fri. (\$65 w/\$10 add-on, 7p); Sat. & Sun. (\$50, 9:30a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (quads); high hands; tournament freeroll (call for details).
<b>RIVERWIND CASINO</b> (405) 322-6000 • riverwindcasino.com	Daily (\$40-\$100) at 11a; Sun.-Thurs. (7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>WINSTAR WORLD CASINO</b> (580) 276-4229 • winstarcasinos.com	Mon. (\$60, 1p & \$115, 7p); Tue. (\$60, 1p) & (\$100, 7p); Wed. (\$60, 1p & \$60 w/re-entries, 7p); Thurs. KO (\$115, 1p) & (\$100, 7p); Fri. (\$220, 11a); Sat. (\$170, 11a); Sun. (\$230, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads or better and pays \$20K minimum. See ad Page 27.

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# OREGON

LOCATION	TOURNAMENTS/SPECIAL EVENTS	JACKPOTS/PROMOTIONS
<b>CHINOOK WINDS CASINO</b> (541) 996-5825 • chinookwindscasino.com	Wed. (\$45, 1p); Thurs. KO (\$55, 1p); Sat. (\$95, 2p); Sun. (\$60, 6p).	Happy Hour (Mon., 3-4p); Splash Pot (Wed.); Aces Cracked (Fri.); no rake for \$3-6 limit (call for details).
<b>ENCORE CLUB</b> (503) 206-8856 • encoreclub.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$25 w/rebuy, noon, 2p & 4p, 10p), (\$30 w/rebuy, 6p), (\$50-\$100, 8p); Sat. freeroll (noon); (\$10K guar., \$90 w/rebuy, 7p); Sun. freeroll (noon).	All weekday tournaments have guaranteed prize pools (see website for details).
<b>SPIRIT MOUNTAIN CASINO</b> (503) 879-2350 • spiritmountain.com	Mon. (\$30, 10:30a); Tue. stud/8 (\$30, 10:30a); Wed. 0/8 (\$30, 10:30a) & (\$25 w/rebuys, 7p); Thurs. (\$30, 10:30a) & (\$90, 7p); Fri. (\$70, noon) & (\$60, 7p); Sat. (\$90, noon).	Spin the Wheel (Fri. & Sat.); Sunday Super High Hands; Monte Carlo Payouts (Mon.-Thurs.).
<b>WILDHORSE RESORT</b> (541) 278-2274 • wildhorseresort.com	Tue. (\$30 w/\$25 rebuy & add-on, 6:30p); Thurs. & Sat. (\$55, 6:30p); Sun. (\$35, 1p).	Call for promotions.

# PENNSYLVANIA

<b>HARRAH'S PHILADELPHIA</b> (800) 480-8020 • harrahschechester.com	Daily (\$50-\$225); Sun.-Tue. & Thurs. (11:30a, 6:30p); Wed. (noon); Fri. Double Green Chip Bounty (11:30a); Sat. (11:30a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
<b>HOLLYWOOD PENN NATIONAL</b> (717) 469-2211 • hpcn.com	Progressive bad-beat jackpot; progressive straight flush and royal flush hand jackpots (call for details).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot; \$12.5K HPO Freeroll (40 hours live play to qualify); Hot Seat Drawings; Splash Pots (call for details).
<b>MEADOWS CASINO</b> (724) 503-1200 • meadowsgaming.com	Mon.-Sat. (\$40-\$75, 11a & 7:15p); Sun. (\$95, 11:15a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; call for details on additional promotions.
<b>MOHEGAN SUN/POCONO DOWNS</b> (570) 831-2100 • mohegansunpocono.com	Call for tournament schedule.	High-hand promotion (call for details).
<b>PARK CASINO</b> (215) 639-9000 • parkcasino.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); Big Stax VI runs until May 19.	Bad-beat jackpot for all raked hold'em games.
<b>PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS &amp; CASINO</b> (814) 866-8379 • eriecasino.com	1st, 3rd & 5th Thurs. Omaha (\$75, 7:30p); 2nd & 4th Fri. (\$100, 7:30p); last Sat. (\$230, 3:30p); Sun. (\$50, 12:30p); partner event, May 3 (\$100, 12:30p); ante only, May 7 (\$50, 7:30p).	Happy Hour Hand (Mon. & Tue., 6p-11p); \$2.6K Memorial Day giveaway (call for details).
<b>RIVERS CASINO</b> (412) 231-7777 • theriverscasino.com	Daily (\$50-\$550); Mon.-Sat. (noon & 7p); Sun. (2p & 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and ranges from quad 4s-10s depending on jackpot amount.
<b>SANDS CASINO BETHELHEM</b> (877) SANDS-77 • sandsbethworks.com	Daily (\$100-\$200).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quads; Splash Pots; high hands; Aces Cracked; Hot Seat Sweepstakes; call for details.

# SOUTH DAKOTA

<b>CADILLAC JACK'S</b> (605) 578-1500 • cadillacjacksresort.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$13 w/\$5 rebuys, 1p); Mon.-Thurs. (\$23 w/\$10 rebuys, 7p); Sat. (\$23 w/\$10 rebuys, 11a); Sun. KO (\$80, 4p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; bad-beat tournament jackpot.
<b>LOGGE AT DEADWOOD</b> (605) 578-4800 • deadwoodlodge.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$33-\$55, 6:30p) except Thurs. KO (\$77); Sat. (\$22 w/rebuys, 2p); Sun. (\$110, 2p); last Sun. of month (\$220, 3p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; High Society Challenge (call for details).
<b>SALOON #10</b> (605) 578-3346 • saloon10.com	Thurs.-Sun. (\$6 w/\$10 rebuy & \$3 add-on, 10:30a) & (\$23 w/\$2 add-on, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot; win \$1K for quad 10s; win 25% of bad-beat jackpot for aces and eights.
<b>SILVERADO FRANKLIN</b> (605) 578-3670 • silveradocasino.com	Tue. & Thurs. (\$88, 6:30p); Sat. (\$22, 3p); Sun. (\$44 w/\$20 add-on, 3p).	Call for promotions.

# TEXAS

<b>KICKAPOO LUCKY EAGLE CASINO HOTEL</b> (830) 752-4545 • kickapooluckyeaglecasino.com	Super Tuesday has \$500 added to the prize pool (\$25, 7p); call for full schedule.	Bad-beat jackpot is aces full of kings; see website for high-hand and bad-beat information.
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# WASHINGTON

<b>7 CEDARS CASINO</b> (360) 683-7777 • 7cedarsresort.com	Wed. (\$75, 6p); Thurs. Omaha/8 (\$65, 6p); Sat. (\$80, 1p); Sun. (\$65, 6p); \$777 added event, 2nd Fri. of month (\$77, 6p).	Double Hours (Thurs. & Sun.); call for details.
<b>ANGEL OF THE WINDS CASINO</b> (360) 474-9740 • angelofthewinds.com	Daily (\$40, 10a) including Fri. (\$75, 6:30p); Sat. KO (\$60, 6:30p); many tournaments vary between hold'em, Omaha/8 and crazy pineapple (call for schedule).	High hands and bonus high hands (call for details).
<b>CLEARWATER CASINO</b> (360) 598-8700 • clearwatercasino.com	Daily (\$35, 11a); Wed. (\$50 w/\$20 add-on, 6p); 1st Sun. \$3K invitational (\$100, 3p); 2nd Sat. \$888 added (\$88, 5p); 3rd Sun. (\$150, 11a).	Daily Double jackpot; get paid for quads, straight flush and royals; Lighting Strikes & Thunder Rumbles jackpots; high hands & Pot Splash (Mon., Tue., Thurs.).
<b>LITTLE CREEK CASINO</b> (360) 427-7711 • little-creek.com	Mon. (\$25 w/\$20 rebuy, 7p); Tue. KO (\$35, 7p); Wed. (\$45, 6p); Thurs. (\$55, 7p); Fri. KO (\$35, 6p); Sat. KO (\$35, 5p); Sun. Omaha/8 (\$35, 5p).	Extra tournament chips (two hours of live play required); call for details.
<b>LUCKY EAGLE CASINO</b> (360) 273-2000 • luckyeagle.com	High hands pay \$100/hour (Sun., Mon., Wed., 9p-1a); progressive high hands (Tue., 8p-mid.); 2nd Sun. \$2.5K freeroll (1p).	High hands pay \$100/hour (Sun., Mon., Wed., 9p-1a); progressive high hands (Tue., 8p-mid.); 2nd Sun. \$2.5K freeroll (1p).
<b>MUCKLESHOOT CASINO</b> (253) 804-4444 • muckleshootcasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$35, 10:30a); Mon. (\$110, 7p); Tue. KO (\$105, 7p); Wed. & Thurs. (\$65, 7p); Sat. (\$40 w/rebuys, noon); 2nd Sun. of month (\$215, noon).	\$10K bad-beat jackpot; high hands pay \$100 every half-hour (24/7); royals pay \$500 plus a jacket.
<b>NORTHERN QUEST CASINO</b> (509) 242-7000 • northernquest.com	Mon.-Fri. KO (\$40, 10:30a); Wed. (\$20 w/\$20 rebuy, 7p); Mon. & Thurs. ladies night (\$20, 7p); Sat. KO (\$75, 10:30a).	Call for promotions.
<b>SNOQUALMIE CASINO</b> (425) 888-1234 • snocasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$30, 10:30a); Sat. (\$68, 11a); Sun. KO (\$68, 11a).	\$500 for royals; \$200 for straight flushes; quad of the day pays \$400; high hands pay \$150 per hour.
<b>SWINOMISH CASINO &amp; LODGE</b> (360) 293-2691 • swinomishcasino.com	Daily at 12:15p & 7p; Mon.-Tue. & Sun. (\$22); Wed. (\$11 w/rebuys & \$33); Thurs. Omaha/8 (\$22) & \$33; Fri. (\$22 & \$55); Sat. (\$27 & \$33).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; mini bad-beat jackpot; royal flush bonus.
<b>TULALIP RESORT CASINO</b> (360) 716-6000 • tulalipresort.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$20, 10:30a); Mon. (\$40, 7p); Tue. (\$75, 7p); Wed. (\$50, 7p); Thurs. (\$130, 7p); Sat. (\$100, 11a); Sun. (\$65, noon) & PLO (\$75, 4p).	Aces Cracked; quads or better pays.

# WEST VIRGINIA

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## WITH YLON SCHWARTZ



Ylon Schwartz, 44, is a one-time chess master who was ranked among the top players in America in 2008, the year he made the first November Nine, finishing fourth for nearly \$4 million. He picked up his first World Series bracelet in 2012, then had a victory and a runner-up finish in the 2013 WSOP Circuit stop in Biloxi, earning him the Player of the Series honors. Our Big Dave Lemmon spoke to him during a break at the recent WPT Hard Rock Showdown in South Florida.

**When you look back at the 2008 WSOP final table, what kind of effect do you feel it had on your life?** It was a tectonic, monumental shift, about 15 on the Richter scale ... changed my life completely. I could drink a lot more after winning that money and I had more money for people to borrow. (laughs) No, but all in all, it was fantastic, and it bought me freedom is really what it did.

It puts you the poker map forever, making you instantly recognizable. Yeah, it helps for future contracts, that sort of thing. And it's nice to be recognized at the tables occasionally, having a little old lady wanting you to sign a hat. But those days are long gone. It lasted for about two years, then people forget. I guess I have to get back on TV.

**After the November Nine was instituted that year, you were very outspoken that you didn't like it. Do you still feel that way?** I don't like it as a player; it does create some popularity. I understand the (four-month) break; I just don't think it was as successful as they intended it to be. I haven't seen them market it properly. I think a few days off would be enough.

**Do you still consider yourself a professional player?** No, I would say I'm a semipro now. I don't have anywhere near the volume of play that I had back in the day. I played 50 hours a week then between online and live games and multitabled a crazy amount of games. Since online went away in the U.S., I don't travel much; it's just too expensive. Also, I've been playing so long that I just don't have the passion for it that I once did.

**Are you looking for a big score to get back into it again?** No, no. For example, if I binked this tournament at the Hard Rock, you probably wouldn't see me for a while. I would play a few events at the

World Series, but then probably not again for the rest of the year.

**With your past as an outstanding chess player and playing a lot of backgammon, how have those experiences helped your poker game? Are you a big math guy on the felt?** Yeah, I crunch the numbers a bit and the chess is great for memorizing numbers. I know how to concentrate for long hours. Both games are somewhat similar to poker and it's helped me meet many crazy, wild gamblers, successful multimillionaires that have given me good advice, from Grand Masters in chess to backgammon world champions. Just knowing these people helps their success rub off on me a bit.

**You won a bracelet in HORSE and there seems to be a recent rejuvenation for mixed games. Are you pleased to see them come back to popularity?** Definitely. The mixed games are more fun for me; I enjoy them more than NLHE. There's a lot of loose money coming into the mixed games as well, which always makes me happy. I wish there were more stud games around.

**What will you be concentrating on at the World Series this summer?** I'll play what I can. If I do well early in the series, I generally add tournaments to my schedule, but if I have a rough time, I'll probably take a few days off and just play what's comfortable.

**What do you think of the Florida poker scene that has emerged over the past few years?** Florida is great; there's a lot of money here and the players are, in general, not super-sophisticated, so a lot of professional players are moving here. I like coming to the Palm Beach Kennel Club, so I can run downstairs and bet on the dogs. And you have the beach, the drinking and the beautiful women; everything is lovely here in Florida. ♠

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