

BERNARD LEE BIOGRAPHY

Poker Player:

Bernard Lee initially catapulted into the poker spotlight after finishing 13th in the 2005 World Series of Poker (WSOP) Main Event, becoming the year's top New England finisher. Featured on ESPN, Lee was seen as the consummate scholar and gentlemen at the poker table who is passionate about his family. His portfolio of pictures included his kids and wife, which he kissed before each level and every major confrontation. This portrayal left an indelible impression among poker fans and fellow players alike.

Since then, Lee has enjoyed other worldwide tournament success. In October of 2008, Lee won the \$600 No-Limit Hold'em Shoot-out event at the World Poker Finals. This victory earned him three titles in three consecutive years as he won the \$5,000 No-Limit Hold'em event at the 2006 World Poker Finals and the \$2,000 No-Limit Hold'em event at the 2007 World Poker Finals. Additionally, he has cashed in other World Poker Tour (WPT) and WSOP circuit events including his 4th place finish at the February 2008 WSOP Circuit Main Event and 11th place finish at the 2007 Gulf Coast Poker Championship. With over \$1.35 million in career tournament earnings and 91st place finish in 2007 Player of the Year standings, Lee has established himself as a strong competitor on the tournament circuit.

Media Personality:

Although Lee is recognized as "the voice of poker in New England," (Cardplayer.com, November 3, 2008), he is also widely known as a poker media personality across the United States and internationally as a poker show host, columnist, internet and radio host, television/internet commentator and author.

Launched in August 2009, Lee is the co-host for ESPN.com's weekly poker show, *ESPN Inside Deal*. This show not only features some of the biggest players in the game and cover poker news each week, but take an in-depth look into the world of poker. Guests have included Chris Moneymaker, Dennis Phillips and members of the 2009 November Nine.

Since September 2005, Lee has written the Sunday poker column for the Boston Herald, in which he has taken his readers on a weekly venture through the booming world of tournament poker. Revolving around a critical hand, his column gives readers a glimpse into his intense experiences on the tournament poker circuit. Using real life scenarios, he is able to create understandable lessons that poker players can put to use immediately. In April 2006, Lee proudly joined the ESPN.com Poker website as a regular columnist. In this column, Lee highlights his experiences as he journeys through the world of satellite and main event tournament poker. For both, he has garnered rave reviews from his readers. He has also been a guest columnist for several magazines.

Debuting in May of 2007, Lee hosts the premier poker radio show in the Boston metropolitan area. "The Bernard Lee Poker Show" incorporates interviews with poker guests including well known players and prominent industry personnel. Previous guests have included Joseph Hachem, Chris Moneymaker, Daniel Negreanu, Phil Hellmuth, Norman Chad, Sam Farha, Mike Sexton, Linda Johnson, Kirk Morrison, JC Tran, Bill Edler and members of the 2008 November Nine. In May of 2008, "The Bernard Lee Poker Show" joined Rounder's Radio, adding its name to the solid list of programming on the largest online poker talk radio station in the world with listeners in more than 85 countries.

In March of 2008, Lee was the co-commentator, alongside legendary sports announcer Howard David, for the live coverage of the WSOP Circuit Main Event in Atlantic City seen on

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www.worldseriesofpoker.com. In May of 2008, Lee will also be the lead commentator for the Eastern Poker Tour Championship Tournament seen in New England on Comcast Sports Net. In June of 2008, Lee was the co-commentator for the live coverage of the WSOP \$5,000 preliminary no-limit hold 'em events in Las Vegas. Also, in June of 2009, Lee was the lead commentator for the live coverage on ESPN360.com for the WSOP \$10,000 world championship limit hold 'em event in Las Vegas.

In July of 2008, Lee released his first book, *The Final Table, Volume I*, which is a compilation of his Boston Herald columns. With thousands of loyal readers, this highly anticipated book includes column notes written by Lee. These side notes offer insights and give you more information on the recent history of poker viewed through unforgettable hands that professionals and amateurs can admire and debate. Based on the first book's success, Lee released his second book, *The Final Table, Volume II*, in December 2008. This follow-up continues where the first left off: uncovering the world of tournament circuit poker one column at a time. Both books are available at www.BernardLeePoker.com where you can receive a personally autographed copy.

Teacher:

Lee was educated in the New England area (Harvard University, BA, MA; Babson College MBA). In addition to his academic studies, Lee has truly become a student of poker. By reading a variety of poker books, his wife often jokes that by now he should have a PhD in poker. With his ever increasing knowledge, he brought together two of his passions: poker and teaching. Lee has extensive experience teaching, as he taught high school and college students for almost 10 years.

Pokerwise, Lee has been teaching poker to private students since 2005, discussing advanced concepts to eager students with the desire to play in larger tournaments such as WPT and WSOP Events. Lee's students have been internalizing his training and translating this learning into results on the poker table. At the 2007 Foxwoods Poker Classic, two of Lee's students made final tables in two different events: 1st place finish in the \$300 Modified No-Limit Hold'em Shoot-out and 7th place finish in the \$600 No-Limit Hold'em Event. At the 2008 Foxwoods Poker Classic, four of Lee's students cashed in different events, most notably a 4th place finish in the \$10,000 main event. At the 2009 Foxwoods Poker Classic, one of Lee's students won the special \$1,000 no-limit hold 'em event.

Based on his innate ability to teach, Lee caught the attention of the WPT Boot Camp. Since then, he has taught several camps and is trained to teach both tournament and cash strategies. In 2009, Lee was proud to join the elite teaching staff of the WSOP Academy as an instructor.

Personal:

Lee currently lives just outside of Boston, Massachusetts with his supportive wife of over ten years and two beautiful children, ages 6 and 4. He also enjoys competing in several sports (e.g. golf, tennis, running). In addition to completing the Boston Marathon in 1999 and 2000, he has been a Boston Celtics season ticket holder since 1997.

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