Kal Yafai defends WBA Super Flyweight title against Suguru Muranaka This Saturday, May 13th on AWE-A Wealth of Entertainment

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. — May 8, 2017 — Undefeated WBA Super Flyweight champion Kal Yafai will make his first defense of his crown when he takes on top 10 rated Suguru Muranaka This Saturday, May 13th live on AWE — A Wealth of Entertainment.

The card will originate from Yafai's hometown of Birmingham, England. AWE's live coverage begins at 3 pm ET.

For boxing fans, who do not have AWE, the fight can be accessed on the AWE channel on www.klowdtv.com

"We're thrilled to air another great world title fight live on AWE," said Robert Herring, CEO of AWE. "This will be an outstanding matchup. We're pleased to continue to introduce some of the best world champions from around the world to AWE boxing fans and Yafai is no exception."

Yafai will step into the ring with a perfect record of 21-0 with 14 knockouts. The 27 year-old is a five year professional, and comes from a fighting family. Yafai's brother, Gamal, is an undefeated super bantamweight, and is also on the May 13th card.

Yafai won the WBA Super Flyweight crown with a 12-round unanimous decision over Luis Concepcion on December 10th in Manchester, England. Yafai earned his way to a title shot with wins over Jozsef Ajtai (15-3), Dixon Flores (12-3-2), Jason Cunningham (17-2), Cristofer Rosales (10-1), Yaqub Kaleem (13-3-1) and Scott Gladwin (5-1).

"It's a tough first defense and that's what I need," said Yafai. "I want hard fights that are going to help me when I face unification fights."

"This is what I started boxing for. I wanted massive nights in Birmingham and it doesn't get better for me. It's been amazing since winning the title. Every time I'm walking around the city I get stopped for photos and for autographs, but I know that it's harder to keep a title than it is to win it, so the real work is only just beginning."Muranaka of Tokyo, Japan has a record of 25-2-1 with eight knockouts, and is undefeated in his last 19 fights, which spans 11 years.

Muranaka is coming off a eight-round majority decision over Hiroyuki Hisataka on December 5, 2016 in Tokyo.

The 31 year-old Muranaka has signature wins over Renoel Pael (19-3-1), Tetsuma Hiyasji (25-2-2), Masayuki Kuroda (21-4-3), Takuya Kogawa (22-2), Tamoya Tateyama (8-1-1) and Toyoto Shiraishi (6-0-1).

This will be Muranka's first bout outside of Japan. The full undercard will be announced shortly.

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