

Nelson decisions Turunen to retain UBF Middleweight Title

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Tori Nelson pounded out a 10-round unanimous decision over Sanna Turunen to retain the UBF Middleweight title in the main event of the first ever fight card at The Entertainment and Sports Arena in Washington, D.C.

Nelson controlled the action against Turunen but was working her. Turunen was gritty in defeat, but Nelson took the fight in shutout fashion to the tune of 100-90 on all cards.

Nelson of Ashburn, Virginia is 19-2-3. Turunen of Finland is 4-2-1.

Sam Crossed was fortunate to gain a split decision over Twon Smith in a cruiserweight bout.

At the end of round two, Smith dropped Crossed with a hard right hand. Crossed came back to land some solid shots, but was rocked again in round four. The fight was a close fight, but some in the crowd showed their disapproval when the scores were read 57-56 for Crossed and 57-56 for Smith.

Crossed, 189.6 lbs of Greenbelt, MD is 8-0. Smith, 187.6 lbs of Oklahoma City is 3-2.

Kareem Martin won a six-round unanimous decision over Andrew Rodgers in a welterweight bout.

Scores were 59-55 on all cards for Martin, 148 lbs of Washington, DC, who is now 11-2. Rodgers, 149 lbs of Elkhart, IN is 4-5-1.

Jordan White stopped Ndira Spearman in round one of their scheduled four-round featherweight bout.

White landed a body punch that was followed by a left to the

shoulder area, and Spearman went down for the count at 2:02.

White, 128 lbs of Washington, DC is 7-1 with five knockouts. Spearman, 128.2 lbs of Laverne, TN is 1-4.

In a surprising result, Matt Murphy and undefeated Antonio Magruder battled to an entertaining draw in a welterweight bout.

Murphy rocked Magruder several times in round's two and three, but Magruder came back to salvage the draw with a strong 5th frame.

Scores were 39-37 Magruder, and 38-38 twice.

Magruder, 147 lbs of Washington, DC is 5-0-1. Murphy 144.8 lbs of St. Louis is 3-30-4.

Alexander Johnson won a six-round unanimous decision over Mengistu Zarzar in a light heavyweight bout.

Johnson, 177.8 lbs of Washington, D.C. won by scores of 59-55 twice and 58-56 and is now 17-4-1. Zarzar, 182.2 lbs of Palmer Park, MD is 6-6-1.

Good looking prospect Kiante Irving stopped George Sheppard in round two of their scheduled four-round super middleweight fight.

In round two, Irving dropped Sheppard with a long right hand. Sheppard staggered to his feet, but the fight was called off at 1:06.

Irving, 163.4 lbs of Beaver Falls, PA is 3-0 with three knockouts. Sheppard, 163.8 lbs of Virginia is 1-5-1.

George Harris remained undefeated by stopping Lamar Lewis in round three of their scheduled four-round heavyweight bout.

In round three, Harris dropped Lewis with a hard combination. Harris finished Lewis off by rocking him several more times,

and the bout was stopped at 2:00.

Harris, 218 lbs of Silver Spring, MD is 2-0 with two knockouts. Lewis, 235.2 lbs of Arkansas is 0-4.

Tori Nelson to defend UBF Middleweight title against Sanna Turunen in Saturday, December 1st at The Entertainment and Sports Arena in Washington, D.C.

Washington, D.C. (November 19, 2018) – Tori Nelson will defend her UBF Middleweight world championship against Sanna Turunen in the ten-round co-main event on Saturday night, December 1st at The Entertainment and Sports Arena in Washington, D.C.

That title bout will be the chief support fight to the previously announced main event between the returning Dusty Harrison taking on James Winchester in a ten-round super welterweight bout.

Nelson of Ashburn, Virginia has a record of 18-2-3 with three knockouts.

The 42 year-old Nelson is an eight-year professional who won the WBC Super Welterweight title with a 10-round split decision over Lorissa Rivers on July 29, 2011. On February 11, 2012 Nelson won the WIBA Middleweight title with a unanimous decision over Vashon Living.

On September 13, 2013, Nelson won the WIBA Welterweight title with a unanimous decision over Aleksandra Magdziak Lopez (10-1). Nelson made four defenses of the title over the likes of Kali Reis (5-1) and Mia St. John.

Nelson also captured the UBF Welterweight, Super Welterweight, Middleweight and Super Middleweight world titles, which included a win over undefeated and current world champion Alicia Napoleon.

Nelson has shared the ring with world champions Claressa Shields and Christina Hammer. Nelson is coming off a 6th round stoppage over Tiffany Woodward on August 4th in Sterling Virginia.

"I have been lucky to travel the country, fighting for, and defending my world titles. I have fought everywhere, but surprisingly, living in Ashburn, VA, I have never fought in DC. Now to be a part of this groundbreaking show at the Arena of the Washington Mystics is very special to me. My opponent lost in her first chance at a world title, and I know she does not want to lose a second time. What she does not yet know is that she is traveling a long way to fight me, and I will do everything in my power to make sure that's she does not leave with my belt," said Nelson.

Turunen of Tuusula, Finland has a record of 4-1-1 with one knockout.

Turunen is coming off a loss to Hannah Rankin on June 16th in England.

Also on the will be 2018 National Golden Gloves champion Kiante Irving (2-0, 2 KOs) of Beaver Falls Pa, in a four round super middleweight bout against George Sheppard (1-4-1) of Virginia,

Irving, 24 years old, has had two consecutive 1st round stoppages, including his last bout when he took out Brandon

Clark on October 20th in Pittsburgh.

"In the amateurs, I traveled everywhere, but never fought in D.C. I know that the audience here is as knowledgeable about boxing as any city in the country. I am hoping to put on a good show for them, and earn some new fans from DC. I am extremely grateful to the promoters, Erwin Pendergrast and Sean Magruder to give me this opportunity."

In an eight-round bout, Alexander Johnson (16-4-1, 7 KOs) will take on Mengistu Zarzar (6-5-1, 5 KOs) of Palmer Park, MD in a light heavyweight bout.

In six-round bouts:

Kareem Martin (10-2, 3 KOs) of Washington, DC takes on Juan Arturo Esquivel (10-8, 2 KOs) of Chihuahua, Mexico in a welterweight bout.

Sam Crossed (7-0, 5 KOs) of Greenbelt, MD will fight Twon Smith (3-1, 2 KOs) of Oklahoma City, OK in a cruiserweight contest

In four-round bouts:

Antonio Magruder (5-0, 4 KOs) of Washington, DC will fight Gabriel Gutierrez (7-5, 3 KOs) of El Paso, Texas.

George Harris of Washington, DC will make his pro debut against Lamar Lewis (0-3) of Arkansas in a heavyweight bout.

Jordan White (5-1, 4 KOs) of Washington, DC will take on an opponent to be named in a super welterweight fight.

Tyrell Boyd of Baltimore, MD will take on an opponent to be named in a middleweight contest.

Tricky Entertainment has been promoting music, entertainment and lifestyle events in D.C. for the past ten years, and is run by Erwin Pendergrast.

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Dusty Harrison returns against James Winchester on Saturday December 1st at The Entertainment and Sports Arena in Washington, D.C.

Washington, D.C. (October 31, 2018) – Welterweight contender Dusty Harrison will return to the ring as he takes on battle-tested, James Winchester in the 10-round main event on Saturday, December 1st at The ESA- Entertainment and Sports Arena, (1100 Oak Drive, Washington, DC)

The card is promoted by Tricky Entertainment & DC Fightnight.

Harrison of Washington, D.C. has an undefeated mark of 30-0-1 with 15 knockouts.

Harrison, 24 years old was a decorated amateur who turned professional at the age of 17.

Harrison has racked up wins against Josh Torres (12-2-1), former world title challenger Michael Clark (44-11-1) & Tommy Rainone (22-5-1).

In his last bout, Harrison took a ten-round unanimous decision over Thomas LaManna (21-1) to capture the USBA Welterweight title on September 15, 2016 in Philadelphia.

Winchester has a record of 20-13 with eight knockouts.

Winchester of Reidsville, North Carolina is a 15 year professional who has a win over John Butler (23-3) and has taken on fighters such as Matt Korobov, Glen Tapia, Luis Arias, Terrell Gausha and his last bout when he went the distance with top-prospect Jaron Ennis on March 31, 2017 in Philadelphia.

A bevy of the finest fighters from the Beltway region will be on display such such welterweight Kareem Martin (10-2, 3 KOs), who will take part in the eight-round co-feature. Also appearing in an eight-round bout will be light heavyweight Alexander Johnson (16-4-1, 7 KOs)

Seeing action in six-round bouts will be cruiserweight Sam Crossed (7-0, 5 KOs) and pro debuting heavyweight George Harris.

Fighting in four-round bouts will be junior welterweight Antonio Magruder (5-0, 4 KOs); junior featherweight Jordan White (5-1, 4 KOs); junior welterweight Tyrek Irby (5-0, 2 KOs); super middleweight Genc Pllana (2-0, 1 KO) and pro debuting middleweight Tyrell Boyd.

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Unbeaten Caleb Plant Drops & Defeats Colombia's Juan De Angel in Main Event of Premier Boxing Champions TOE-TO-TOE TUESDAYS on FS1 & BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes Tuesday Night from Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

BETHLEHEM, PA. (August 23, 2016) – Undefeated Caleb “Sweet Hands” Plant (14-0, 10 KOs) dropped and dominated Colombia’s Juan De Angel (18-5-1, 17 KOs) on his way to a unanimous decision victory Tuesday night in the main event of Premier Boxing Champions TOE-TO-TOE TUESDAYS on FS1 and BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes from Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

The Nashville-native was able to keep his perfect record intact and was in control from start to finish of his first 10-round bout. Plant was patient in the early rounds, looking to find the distance against his power-punching opponent.

Plant’s offense began to break through in round three and in round four he caught De Angel lingering in the pocket and dropped him with a left hook. De Angel got to his feet but was never able to get his own offense going and spent much of the

night trying to tie up the more aggressive Plant.

In the ninth round, a clash of heads caused a temporary halt in the action and saw Plant emerge with a cut on his head. Plant was able to battle through and kept his momentum going throughout the remainder of the fight.

Plant was twice as accurate as De Angel and landed 30 percent of his punches compared to 15 percent from De Angel. The judges saw the bout the same and all scored it 100-89 after 10-rounds of super middleweight action.

The co-main event of the night saw a pair of Washington, D.C. welterweights do battle as David Grayton (15-1, 11 KOs) earned a victory over previously unbeaten Kareem Martin (8-1-1, 3 KOs) via a stoppage in the eighth and final round.

The southpaw Grayton pressed forward early and often, looking to disrupt Martin and keep him uncomfortable. Martin was sharp early on, especially with right hand counters. He was the more accurate fighter over the first three rounds, but the experience of Grayton began to take over.

As the fight went on, Grayton's attack gained effectiveness and Martin appeared to wear down from the constant pace. Grayton out threw Martin 537 to 308 and landed 172 punches to Martin's 106.

Grayton took control of the fight in the sixth round, hurting Martin early with a blistering body attack and rocked him late in the round with crisp uppercuts. By round eight, Martin had faded and Grayton sensed his moment. A left hand to the body dropped Martin early, and while he beat the count, Grayton quickly pounced and delivered a flurry that caused referee Benjy Esteves Jr. to stop the fight 41 seconds into the round.

Two-time Ecuadorian Olympian Carlos Gongora (6-0, 5 KOs) started the telecast off with an impressive first round stoppage of previously unbeaten Ronald Mixon (7-1, 6 KOs) in

their light heavyweight clash.

Gongora wasted little time, feinting a right hook and following with a thudding overhand left that put Mixon on the mat immediately. The knockdown prompted referee Gary Rosato to wave off the count and stop the bout 1:16 into the first round.

Here is what the fighters had to say Tuesday:

CALEB PLANT

"It's another win in the bag. I had bounce in my legs for all 10 rounds. I was taking my time in there and I feel like I'm getting better each fight.

"I'll fight whoever my team has lined up for me. It feels great to win as a headliner. We're going to get right back in the gym and get ready for another fight."

JUAN DE ANGEL

"I felt the size difference in the ring. I trained for a southpaw and he came out righty. That caught me off guard. He was better tonight."

DAVID GRAYTON

"I was very motivated to perform well coming off of my loss. I wanted it more tonight and I wanted to make a statement to get back to where I belong.

"I knew I had him hurt late in the fight and I kept hitting him with left hands. I stepped it up and got him out of there.

"I'm going to go back to the gym and train hard and wait for my next fight."

KAREEM MARTIN

"I lost a little focus and he caught me with a good shot that

led to the stoppage.

"It was a good back and forth fight. We were both getting a lot of shots in. I just need to come back with more focus next time."

CARLOS GONGORA

"I was prepared and I analyzed his style and how he would fight. I knew I just had to connect with the right punch.

"I want to dedicate this victory to my family and my whole country. It was a pleasure to do it on FS1 and FOX Deportes.

"I am going straight to the top and I appreciate this opportunity to show the world who I am."

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In off-television action:

Wesley Triplett stopped Eric Newell in round three of their Heavyweight bout.

Triplett landed a right hand that apparently broke the jaw of Newell and the fight was stopped.

Triplett, 213.2 lbs of Youngstown, OH is 4-1 with 2 knockouts. Newell, 251 lbs of Bethlehem, PA is 8-4-3.

Carlos Rosario scored a 6th round stoppage in the final round of his lightweight battle with Cesar Garcia.

Rosario dropped Garcia just as the fight was ending with a right hand. Garcia was counted out at 3:08.

Rosario, 133.4 lbs of Pennsauken, NJ is now 5-1 with 3 knockouts. Garcia, 134.5 lbs of Baja California, MX is 11-21-1.

Daquan Johnson scored a 2nd round stoppage over Stephan Bass

in a scheduled four-round welterweight bout.

Johnson ended things in round two with a hard left uppercut to the body. Bass got to his feet, but he could not continue and the bout was stopped at 1:35.

Johnson, 152.4 lbs of Cherry Hill, NJ is 2-0 with two knockouts. Bass, 151 lbs of Atlanta, GA is 1-3.

Yurik Mamedov won a four-round unanimous decision over Antonio Allen in a welterweight bout.

Allen was cut over his right eye in the second frame. In round three, Mamedov was cut on his forehead by a headbutt.

Scores were 40-36 on all cards.

Mamedov. 145.7 lbs of New York is 2-0. Allen, 147.2 lbs of Philadelphia is 0-3.

PBC on FS1 and FOX Deportes was promoted by King's Promotions.

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Locals fighters, Rosario, Newell and Johnson take part in undercard action tonight at the Sands Bethlehem Event Center

BETHLEHEM, PA (AUGUST 23, 2016)—Carlos Rosario, Eric Newell and Daquan Johnson will headline the off-television undercard at the Sands Bethlehem Event Center tonight.

In the televised main event, that will be televised live on FS1 & Fox Deportes, undefeated middleweight, Caleb Plant (13-0, 10 K0's) of Ashland, Tennessee battles Juan De Angel (18-4-1, 17 K0's) of Barranquilla, Colombia. In the co-feature, Kareem Martin (8-0-1, 3 K0's) takes on David Grayton (14-1, 10 K0's) in a battle of Washington, D.C. based welterweights. Kicking off the broadcast, it will be a pair of undefeated light heavyweight's doing battle as Carlos Gongora (5-0, 4 K0's) of Brooklyn, New York fights Ronald Mixon (7-0, 6 K0's) of Los Angeles, California.

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by King's Promotions, are priced at \$108, \$83 and \$58, not including applicable service charges and taxes and are on sale now. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com. To charge by phone call Ticketmaster at (800) 745-3000.

Rosario (4-1, 2 K0's) of Pennsauken, New Jersey will square off with veteran Cesar Garcia (11-20-1, 5 K0's) of Baja, California, Mexico in a lightweight bout scheduled for six-rounds.

After dropping his pro debut, the 25 year-old Rosario has won four in a row which includes his split decision victory over

Victor Vasquez (4-1) on February 9th at the Sands Bethlehem Event Center.

The 27 year-old Garcia is a nine year professional who has been in the ring with ten undefeated prospects, which includes two bouts with Alejandro Luna and a fight with Saul Rodriguez. Garcia last saw action on January 29, when he dropped a six-round decision to Francisco De Vaca (13-0) in Montebello, California.

Newell of Bethlehem, PA has a record of 8-3-3 with five knockouts, will fight Wesley Triplett (3-1, 1 KO) of Youngstown, Ohio in a heavyweight bout scheduled for six-rounds.

The 33 year-old Newell is a six-year pro and is coming off a four-round draw with Randy Easton on June 28 at the Sands Bethlehem Event Center.

Triplett has been a professional for nearly two-years and will be looking to get back in the win column after being stopped in six-rounds to undefeated Jermaine Franklin (5-0) on March 26 in Youngstown, Ohio.

Johnson of Cherry Hill, New Jersey, won his only fight by stopping Adrian Wilson in four rounds on May 27 in Atlantic City. He will take on Stephen Bass (1-2) of Atlanta, Georgia in a four-round welterweight bout.

Opening up the night will see Yurik Mamedov of Brooklyn, New York make his professional debut against Antonio Allen (0-2) of Philadelphia in a welterweight bout scheduled for four-rounds.

Tuesday, August 23

6:00 p.m. SANDS BETHLEHEM EVENTS CENTER DOORS OPEN

Location: 77 Sands Blvd.; Bethlehem, PA 18015

6:30 p.m. FIRST BOUT

9:00 p.m. FS1 & FOX DEPORTES BROADCAST BEGINS

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on FS1 & BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes Tuesday, August 23 from Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

BETHLEHEM, PA. (August 22, 2016) – Undefeated welterweight Kareem Martin (8-0-1, 3 KOs) will face once-beaten David Grayton (14-1, 10 KOs) in an eight-round bout featured on Premier Boxing Champions TOE-TO-TOE- TUESDAYS on FS1 and BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes Tuesday, August 23 from Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

Televised coverage begins at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT and is headlined by undefeated prospect Caleb “Sweet Hands” Plant taking on hard-hitting Colombian Juan De Angel. Additional televised coverage will see undefeated light heavyweight prospects Carlos Congora and Ronald Mixon in an eight-round bout.

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Additional action sees New Jersey’s Carlos Rosario battles Mexico’s Cesar Garcia in six-rounds of lightweight action and local heavyweight Eric Newell in a six-round showdown with Ohio’s Wesley Triplett.

Rounding out the night of fights is New Yorker Yurik Mamedov in a four-round welterweight bout against Philadelphia’s Antonio Allen and New Jersey’s Daquan Johnson in a four-round

welterweight fight against Atlanta's Stephen Bass.

A young, up-and-coming fighter from Washington, D.C., Martin turned pro in 2014 and is yet to lose as a pro. The 20-year-old picked up four victories last year and owns a decision victory over Somner Martin in 2016. He will take on a fellow D.C. native in Grayton, who looks to bounce back after a loss to unbeaten Bryant Perrella in June. Previously the 29-year-old was unbeaten and had picked up a victory in January of this year over Daniel Souza Santos.

Monday, August 22

6:00 p.m. OFFICIAL WEIGH-IN – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

Location: Vision Bar (Located inside Sands Bethlehem Events Center)

77 Sands Blvd.; Bethlehem, PA 18015

5:30 p.m. – Media Arrival

6:00 p.m. – Fighters to scales

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