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King's Promotions lightweight Mykal Fox battles veteran Jose Valderrama on Tuesday night at the Sands Bethlehem Events Center

BETHLEHEM, PA. (June 24, 2016) – This Tuesday night undefeated lightweight prospect Mykal “The Professor” Fox (9-0, 2 K0’s) will take on Jose Valderrama (5-13, 3 K0’s) in a scheduled six-round bout that will be part of the undercard of Premier Boxing Champions TOE-T0-T0E TUESDAYS on FS1 and BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes from Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

The June 28 event is headlined by a lightweight showdown between former title challenger Edner Cherry and quick-fisted contender Lydell Rhodes. Televised coverage begins at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT with unbeaten featherweight Omar Douglas taking

on Cuba's Alexei Collado.

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by King's Promotions, are priced at \$100, \$75, and \$50, 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.

Fox of Forestville, Maryland will be making his second start of the year and he is ready to go and put on a great performance.

"My training has been great. Everything is falling into place and my weight is coming off easy," said the 20 year-old prospect.

In Valderrama, Fox is facing his 3rd straight opponent who has had significantly more fights than him. Fox will be Valderrama's 11th undefeated opponent.

"Valderrama has fought some guys from my area (David Grayton, Demond Nicholson and Malik Hawkins), so I know him some. He has fought at bigger weights so I expect him to be bigger, but my boxing skills will get me over in this fight."

Fox has been kept busy with King's Promotions and he expects to begin moving up the ladder in the near-future.

"I am getting moved very well. This is a great opportunity for me as it is on the undercard of a televised fight. That in itself is a step up. I feel like this is an upward step. I keep telling people to just be on the lookout for me. This is a television undercard, so the next step will be to be on television and then I will be known nationally."

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Unbeaten Prospect Antonio Russell Battles Jamaica's Rudolph Hedge On On Premier Boxing Champions TOE-TO-TOE TUESDAYS on FS1 & BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes Tuesday, June 28 From Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, PA.

BETHLEHEM, PA. (June 21, 2016) – Unbeaten prospect Antonio Russell (6-0, 5 KOs) will take on Jamaica's Rudolph Hedge (10-3-3, 4 KOs) in a six-round super bantamweight showdown as part of Premier Boxing Champions TOE-TO-TOE TUESDAYS on FS1 and BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes Tuesday, June 28 from Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

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Additional undercard action features unbeaten Brooklyn-prospect Chris Colbert (4-0, 2 KOs) taking on fellow unbeaten Antonio Dubose (8-0-1, 2 KOs) of Philadelphia in a six-round super bantamweight bout, unbeaten Philadelphia-prospect Milton Santiago against veteran Osumanu Akaba (32-10-1, 25 KOs) in an eight-round super lightweight attraction, local heavyweight Eric Newell (8-3-2, 5 KOs) in a four-round bout against Randy Easton (3-9-1, 3 KOs) and the pro debut of Philadelphia's Yurik Mamedov in a four-round welterweight bout.

Rounding out the night of fights Maryland-prospect Mykal Fox (9-0, 2 KOs) in a six-round super lightweight bout against Puerto Rico's Jose Valderrama (5-13, 3 KOs), Yonkers-native Victor Vasquez (4-2, 2 KOs) against Philadelphia's Seifullah Jihad Wise (3-1, 1 KO) in a six-round lightweight battle and unbeaten Washington, D.C. prospect Marcus Bates (3-0-1, 3 KOs) in a bantamweight bout against Bennie Culpepper.

Twice a National Golden Gloves runner up, Russell won the national championship in 2013 and he now looks to follow in the footsteps of his older brother and current 126-pound world champion Gary. The 23-year-old fighting out of Washington, D.C. turned pro in 2015 and delivered five victories before making his 2-16 debut in April with a stoppage of Alberto Serna. He will take on Kingston, Jamaica's Hedge who made his U.S. debut in May.

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Undefeated Rising Contender Mario Barrios Takes On Former Title Challenger Devis Boschiero On Saturday, July 9 Edition Of Premier Boxing Champions on ESPN & ESPN Deportes From Sun National Bank Center in Trenton, New Jersey.

TRENTON, NJ (June 14, 2016) – Undefeated rising super featherweight contender Mario Barrios (15-0, 8 KOs) will take on former title challenger Devis Boschiero (39-4-1, 21 KOs) in the 12-round main event of Premier Boxing Champions on ESPN &

ESPN Deportes Saturday, July 9 from Sun National Bank Center in Trenton, New Jersey.

Televised coverage begins at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT and features an exciting battle of undefeated super lightweight prospects as Los Angeles-native Kevin Watts (11-0, 4 KOs) takes on Chicago's Eddie Ramirez (13-0, 9 KOs) in a 10-round fight.

"This will be a great opportunity to showcase my talent to the world on ESPN," said Barrios. "The time is now to take the super featherweight division by storm. A victory will put me one step closer to fulfilling my dream of becoming a world champion. I will not be denied."

"I look forward to making my American debut on July 9 in New Jersey," said Boschiero. "I know a win over Barrios will take me towards a world title shot. I plan on coming to America and putting on a great performance and bringing a great victory back to Italy."

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by King's Promotions, are priced at \$75, \$55, \$39 and \$24, not including applicable fees, and are on sale tomorrow, June 15 at 12 p.m. ET. Tickets can be purchased [HERE](#), at the Sun National Bank Center box office or by calling 609-656-3234

"This will be another exciting night in Trenton," said Marshall Kauffman of King's Promotions. "Barrios is one of the best prospects around and it will be interesting to see how he deals with a veteran like Boschiero. The co-feature will pit two undefeated fighters in Watts and Ramirez against each other and the winner will be looked upon as a serious contender."

A tall super featherweight at more than six feet, the 21-year-old Barrios picked up seven victories in a jam-packed 2015 in which he stopped five opponents inside the distance, including an uppercut left hook combo that ended the night for Manuel Vides in December. The San Antonio-native turned pro in 2013

and is on the fast track towards a world title shot as he made his 2016 debut with a dominant victory over Edgar Gabejean.

An experienced fighter out of Veneto, Italy, Boschiero challenged for a world title in 2011 and won his last two fights by knockout heading into this July 9 clash. He was unbeaten in his first 34 pro fights before challenging Takahiro Ao for the 130-pound world title in a bout that he dropped via split decision. Previously he had won an Italian title with a knockout of Ivan Fiorletta and a European title by defeating Jesus Garcia Escalona. His main event showdown on July 9 will be his first pro bout in the U.S.

Born in Lancaster, California but fighting out of Los Angeles, Watts turned pro in 2013 and has been unblemished since. The 24-year-old defeated previously unbeaten Maximilliano Becerra in April 2015 and in his last two outings he took down once-beaten fighters Michal Chudecki and Manuel Damairias Lopez. He makes his first start outside the state of California on July 9.

A Chicago Golden Gloves champion, Ramirez knocked out seven of his first nine professional opponents and picked up five victories in 2015 including a decision over former world champion Cristobal Cruz. The 23-year-old debuted in 2016 with a second round stoppage of Osumanu Akaba in April.

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Unbeaten Lightweight Contender & 2012 U.S. Olympian Jamel Herring Faces Former Title Challenger Denis Shafikov On Fourth of July Weekend Edition Of Premier Boxing Champions on ESPN & ESPN Deportes Saturday, July 2 From Santander Arena in Reading, PA

READING, PA. (June 14, 2016) – Unbeaten lightweight contender and 2012 U.S. Olympian Jamel “Semper Fi” Herring (15-0, 8 KOs) will take on former title challenger Denis Shafikov (36-2-1, 19 KOs) in the 10-round main event of Premier Boxing Champions on ESPN & ESPN Deportes Saturday, July 2 from Santander Arena in Reading, Pa.

The Fourth of July weekend action begins at 9 p.m. ET with undefeated Polish prospect Patryk Syzmanski (15-0, 9 KOs) taking on former title challenger “Silky” Wilky Campfort (21-2, 12 KOs) in a 10-round lightweight bout.

“I am just excited about the fight. I have been looking for a big step up to get me in title contention,” said Herring. “I started training before I got the call before the fight. I have been training in D.C. with Mike Stafford, Barry Hunter, Patrice Harris and Levi Smith and I feel after this fight, it will get me up to a championship fight. He is a tough guy. If

you train hard and stay ready, you can make the fight a lot easier on yourself.”

“I am looking forward to facing Jamel Herring,” said Shafikov. “He is undefeated and a former Olympian. I have the experience of fighting for a title and I know with a win, it will get me another opportunity.”

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by King’s Promotions, are priced at \$20, \$35, \$55 and \$75, and are on sale now via Ticketmaster.

“This should be an outstanding and intriguing bout,” said Marshall Kauffman of King’s Promotions. “It’s a real test for Herring as Shafikov is a former world title challenger and Herring is looking to get there. We look forward to putting on a great show on ESPN.”

The 30-year-old Herring represented the United States at the 2012 Olympic games after winning the U.S. National Amateur title the same year. Fighting out of Cincinnati but originally from Coram, New York, Herring picked up four victories in 2015 including a dominant triumph over Yakubu Amidu in October. A former member of the U.S. Marine Corps, Herring started 2016 with a dominant victory over Luis Eduardo Flores in February.

Having fought in eight countries throughout his pro career, the 31-year-old Shafikov brings a full career of experiences with him into this matchup on July 2. Born in Miass, Russia, he won three fights in a row over Rustam Nugaev, Miguel Mendoza and Roy Mukhlis before dropping a world title fight against Rances Barthelemy.

Undefeated at just 23-years-old, Szymanski will look to build on his perfect resume on July 2. The Konin, Poland-born fighter picked up three victories in 2015 with a second round TKO over Yoryi Estrella, a first-round stoppage over Maurice Louishomme and a decision victory over Richard Gutierrez.

Born in Haiti but fighting out of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Campfort has only lost once since his second pro fight in 2009 when he was defeated by Jermall Charlo in November 2015. The 31-year-old has fought professionally in the U.S., Cayman Islands, Dominican Republic and his native Haiti. He's won six fights since the beginning of 2014 including stoppages of Milton Nunez, Devon Moncrieffe and Ronald Montes.

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Joseph Elegele Scores Hard Fought Unanimous Decision Victory Over Phil Lo Greco In Main Event Of Premier Boxing Champions: The Next Round On Bounce From The Lakeland Center in Lakeland, FL

LAKELAND, FL. (June 13, 2016) – Exciting super welterweight Joseph Elegele (16-2 11 KOs) showed his strength and power Sunday night in the main event of Premier Boxing Champions: The Next Round on Bounce TV as he went toe-to-toe with Phil Lo Greco (27-3, 15 KOs) for 10 hard-fought rounds from The

Lakeland Center in Lakeland, FL. Both combatants left it all in the ring, exchanging punches throughout the bout with close rounds that left the audience wanting more.

Elegele of nearby Winter Haven, FL started the bout coming forward, slightly stunning Toronto's Lo Greco with several flurries of punches that set the tone for a hard fought back and forth battle. The action picked up in round two as Lo Greco came in on the attack early in the round, pinning Elegele against the ropes and continuing to pepper him with punches to the body and the head.

Despite being taken aback by the attack, Elegele came roaring back in the final seconds of round two and out of the corner to kick off round three. Lo Greco remained in the pocket, not afraid to continue to throw wide left hooks as the fighters traded punches back and forth.

As the fight continued, Lo Greco backed Elegele up against the ropes, smothering him with punches despite Elegele's four-inch height advantage. But round six was completely controlled by Elegele as he threw a combination of bruising punches that very well could have sent Lo Greco to the canvas. However Lo Greco remained in the pocket. In the 10th and final round, Lo Greco came out strong, outworking Elegele, but with less than 20 seconds to go in the bout, Elegele stunned Lo Greco with a barrage of punches up against the ropes. Judges scored the bout 97-95 and 96-94 twice, all for Elegele, the winner by unanimous decision.

The second televised bout saw two former amateur standouts Dauren Yeleussinov (5-0-1, 4 KOs) of Kazakhstan, who now fights out of Brooklyn, and Devaun Lee (7-2-1, 3 KOs) of Queens, NY in an eight-round middleweight bout that ended in a split draw. Yeleussinov wasted no time in the first round as he kicked off the fight by throwing multiple left hands, one to the body and two to the head of Lee.

Lee escaped the round unscathed and despite spending the majority of the second round against the ropes, he was able to let his hands go and catch Yeleussinov with multiple shots. The 30-year-old Yeleussinov went on the attack in the sixth round, pinning Lee against the ropes, once again with a barrage of punches. Judges scored the bout at 79-73 for Yeleussinov, 78-74 for Lee and 76-76, ending the bout in a split draw.

In the opening televised bout, Australian prospect Steve Lovett (15-1, 12 KOs) battled Craig Baker (17-1, 13 KOs) in a 10-round light heavyweight showdown that ended with an explosive knockout. Baker of Baytown, TX was sent to the canvas in round four following a big left hook thrown by Lovett, but Baker was the more active fighter throughout the fight as he was up on all three of the judge's scorecards going into the eighth and final round. With only three seconds to go in the bout, Baker sent Lovett to the canvas with a hard right hand that ended the bout.

Here is what the participants had to say about their respective performances Sunday night:

JOSEPH ELEGELE

"I wasn't surprised because he's a tough fighter, he's a Canadian and Canadian fighters are tough. He came to fight. It was a good fight.

"It's hard for anyone to find an answer for a straight left, but I was surprised he kept walking through it.

"I hope this win puts me on the next level. I'm ready for the top fighters. I know there are some things I can work on, but I am ready for the top fighters.

"I'm not sure what's up with my left hand. It hurt me when I was throwing it, but I'm a warrior. I've been through too much in life to let a little left hand hurt me. It could be falling off and I'm still going to throw it."

PHIL LO GRECO

"It was his hometown. The score could have gone either way. I hurt him in the second round. He was out and the ref could have stopped the fight. That is no excuse. I will fight anyone, anywhere.

"I felt I was pushing the fight. I am disappointed in the decision.

"It's up to the fans if they want to see me again. People see that I will fight anywhere and anyplace. I enjoyed tonight."

DEVAUN LEE

"I don't agree with the draw, I think I won the fight. I would have been comfortable with a split decision. He worked, but I landed clean shots and I landed heavier punches. I feel like I won the fight. He has power, but he wasn't powerful enough to stop me.

"Next, I'm ready for whatever they put in front of me. I would do it again."

CRAIG BAKER

"Lovett is a strong guy and he's a hell of a competitor. He came to work and he tested me, so it is what it is, man.

"This is awesome, man. This is what I sweat and kill myself in the gym for. This win means the world to me.

"He never hurt me tonight. We stayed patient I do what we do. This is the biggest win of my career, but I won't rest until I get a title.

"I'll fight whoever next. I'll be back in the gym soon and getting ready for whoever the put in front of me next.

"Fighting on a Premier Boxing Champions card is amazing. I'm grateful to get the opportunity and I hope to be back on PBC fighting again."

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Weights from Lakeland, Florida

LAKELAND, FL. (June 11, 2016) –

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Steve Lovett 175.8 – Craig Baker 176
Dauren Yeleussinov – Devaun Lee 163
David Gonzales 144.2 – Carlos Velasquez 142.2
Christian Camacho 127.6 – Caliel Castillo 129.8
Craig Duncan 167.4 – Victor DaRocha 167.4
Emmanuel Bermudez 145.2 – Randy Heddricks 147.8

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by King's Promotions, are priced at \$75, \$50 and \$35, and are on sale now. Tickets can be purchased by visiting www.thelakelandcenter.com or by calling 888-397-0100 and from the Lakeland Center Box Office by calling 863-834-8111 or visiting between 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Additional action features unbeaten Miami prospect Harold Calderon (9-0, 5 KOs) in a six-round junior middleweight attraction, undefeated Philadelphia prospect David Gonzalez (7-0-2, 2 KOs) in a six-round junior welterweight fight and Groveland, Florida's Amos Cowart (11-1-1, 9 KOs) in eight-rounds of lightweight action against Justin Savi (28-5-2, 18 KOs) out of Benin.

Sunday, June 12

6:00 p.m. LAKE LAND CENTER DOORS OPEN
701 Lime Street
Lakeland, FL 33815

6:30 p.m. FIRST BOUT

9:00 p.m. BOUNCE TV BROADCAST BEGINS

CREDENTIAL DISTRIBUTION

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Undefeated Middleweight Dauren Yeleussinov Battles Hard-Hitting Devaun Lee in Undercard Action on Sunday, June 12 From The Lakeland Center in Lakeland, FL

LAKELAND, FL. (June 8, 2016) – Undefeated Dauren Yeleussinov (5-0, 4 KOs) battles New York's Devaun Lee (7-2, 3 KOs) in an eight-round middleweight bout that highlights undercard action on Sunday, June 12 from the Lakeland Center in Lakeland, FL.

The June 12 PBC on Bounce TV show is headlined by a battle between exciting welterweights Phil Lo Greco and Joseph Elegele. Televised coverage begins at 9 p.m. ET/PT and will feature unbeaten Australian prospect Steve Lovett and tough contender Craig Baker in a light heavyweight showdown. PBC – The Next Round will include several special tributes to Muhammad Ali and his tremendous impact on boxing throughout the telecast.

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by King's Promotions, are priced at \$75, \$50 and \$35, and are on sale now. Tickets can be purchased by visiting www.thelakelandcenter.com or by calling 888-397-0100 and from the Lakeland Center Box Office by calling 863-834-8111 or visiting between 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Rounding out the night of fights are Orlando's Christian Camacho (1-1) against veteran Anthony Napunyi (14-19, 7 KOs) in four-rounds of featherweight action, Orlando-prospect Craig Duncan (5-1-1, 4 KOs) in a six-round super middleweight fight against unbeaten Miami-native Victor Darocha (7-0-1, 6 KOs) and the pro debut of Lakeland's Emmanuel Bermudez against Randy Heddericks (0-5) in a four-round welterweight tilt.

An experienced amateur out of Berezino, Kazakhstan, Yeleussinov now fights out of Brooklyn where he has served as a sparring partner for middleweight world champion Daniel Jacobs. Since turning pro in 2014, the 30-year-old has stopped four of his five opponents inside the distance. He will take on the Queens-native Lee who comes off back-to-back victories over previously unbeaten fighters including his March victory over Chris Galeano.

LO GRECO VS. ELEGELE FIGHT WEEK MEDIA SCHEDULE

All Times Are Eastern

Saturday, June 11

5:00 p.m. OFFICIAL WEIGH-IN

Lakeland Center – Room 5
4:30 p.m. – Media Arrival
5:00 p.m. – Weigh-In Begins

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Exciting Contenders Edner

Cherry & Lydell Rhodes Meet in Main Event of Premier Boxing Champions T0E-T0-T0E TUESDAYS on FS1 & BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on FOX Deportes Tuesday, June 28 From Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

BETHLEHEM, PA. (June 7, 2016) – Former title challenger Edner Cherry (34-7-2, 19 KOs) and quick-fisted contender Lydell Rhodes (23-1-1, 11 KOs) will compete in the 10-round lightweight main event of Premier Boxing Champions T0E-T0-T0E TUESDAYS on FS1 and BOXEO DE CAMPEONES on Tuesday, June 28 from Sands Bethlehem Events Center in Bethlehem, Pa.

Televised coverage begins at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT and features unbeaten featherweight

Omar “Super 0” Douglas (16-0, 11 KOs) battling hard-hitting Cuban Alexei “The Hurricane” Collado (19-1, 17 KOs) in a 10-round bout.

“I know Rhodes is a good fighter and I am preparing for a tough fight,” said Cherry. “I am still pushing towards a world title. I learned that when you fight for a title, you have to knock out the champ. I’m not giving up. I’m still here and think this will be a great fight. This is what boxing needs, two great fighters going at it.”

“I have been waiting for a fight like this for a long time,” said Rhodes. “Cherry is a warrior who has never been stopped.

I will be the first person to stop him. I have to go out and dominate against a guy who has fought many world champions. I believe if I do that, it will push me towards a world title shot."

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.

"This is a terrific show headlined by a great crossroads fight between Edner Cherry and Lydell Rhodes," said Marshall Kauffman of King's Promotions. "Cherry is looking for another title shot and with a win Rhodes will get right in the mix. This should be an outstanding night of fights in Bethlehem and on FS1 and FOX Deportes."

Cherry, of Wauchula, Fla., is a former world title challenger who is 10-1 since 2009. His only blemishes since 2007 are losses to Timothy Bradley and Paulie Malignaggi at 140-pounds and his title challenge last October against Jose Pedraza in which he dropped a split decision. Cherry, who was born in the Bahamas, owns victories over Vicente Escobedo, Monte Meza Clay and Wes Ferguson and will look to take down a contender on his way to another title shot.

A multi-sport athlete who has competed in both boxing and mixed martial arts professionally, Oklahoma City's Rhodes looks to rebound on June 28 from his first blemish at the hands of unbeaten Sergey Lipinets. The 28-year-old recorded four victories in 2014 including triumphs over Miguel Angel Huerta and John Nater before fighting to a draw in 2015 with Jared Robinson in addition to the fight with Lipinets.

An undefeated fighter out of Wilmington, Delaware, Douglas impressed in the TOE-T0-TOE TUESDAYS main event in December 2015 when he defeated contender Frank De Alba in a step up

fight. The 24-year-old had already beaten Daniel Attah in 2015 and previously took down veterans Anthony Napunyi, Jean Javier Sotelo and Osnel Charles and he will again fight strong competition as he seeks a world title shot in the near future.

Fighting out of Miami but originally from Cuba, Collado turned pro in 2008 and was victorious in his first 18 pro bouts before a decision loss in 2014. The 28-year-old owns victories over veterans Edgar Riovalle, Franklin Varela and Jose Saez and most recently stopped Gyci Lorenzo in February.

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Rances Barthelmey Defeats Mickey Bey by Split Decision to Retain Lightweight Title in Main Event of Premier

Boxing Champions on Spike from The Hard Rock Live at the Seminole Hotel & Casino in Hollywood, Florida

HOLLYWOOD, FL. (June 4, 2016) – Undefeated lightweight world champion Rances “Kid Blast” Barthelemy (25-0, 13 KOs) defeated former world champion Mickey “The Spirit” Bey (22-2-1, 10 KOs) by split decision (117-110, 116-111, 110-117) in the main event of Premier Boxing Champions (PBC) on Spike Friday night at the Hard Rock Live at the Seminole Hotel & Casino in Hollywood, Florida.

Following an exciting first round in which Barthelemy backed Bey up at the bell, round two came to a close with similar fireworks in the form of an accidental head butt. In the commotion, a stunned Barthelemy stumbled to the canvas and referee Sam Burgos ruled it an official knockdown, making it the first of Barthelemy’s career.

Barthelemy said, “I really don’t remember exactly what happened, but I felt it was more of a slip than anything. I was a little off balance and we butted heads so at that point that’s when I went down, but that’s okay. I don’t mind that they counted it.”

Bey had issues with the head contact also. “After I dropped him he got me again with a good head butt. The cut on my eye from that second head butt affected me for about four or five rounds, but it’s a fight, so you have to do the best you can with the vision you have. But I would have liked to avoid all the head contact.”

“It was the first time in my entire career, both amateurs and professionals, that I hit the canvas in any way,” added

Barthelemy. "It was just a little surprising, but after that I knew I had to come out strong and put pressure on him because I knew the judges might hold that against me. My mentality originally was to outbox but I had to change my plans and start putting pressure on him."

In a fight that saw a lot of competitive back and forth action during the middle and late rounds, neither fighter was able to take complete control or end the evening early.

Barthelemy believed he'd done enough to win unanimously arguing, "When I heard the judge who gave the score to Bey I thought he was either blind or he was bought. I felt that was disrespectful not only to me but to the fans as well."

"We knew what Mickey was prepared for though," concluded Barthelemy. "We knew he was going to be an evasive counter puncher and we knew that Bey came from the Mayweather school of boxing. So we knew what we were up against and he put on a tough fight."

Bey vowed to avenge the hard-fought loss soon. "I'm ready to get right back after it and chase another belt. I'm looking to stay busy and get back in the ring soon."

In the televised opener, undefeated Puerto Rican bantamweight Emmanuel Rodriguez (15-0, 10 KOs) beat experienced Mexican Alberto "Metro" Guevara (24-3, 9 KOs) by unanimous decision (99-91, 100-90, 99-91).

Rodriguez controlled the opening rounds with a variety of left hooks and overhand rights, backing Guevara up at will.

"My strategy was to come in and attack him because he is not your typical Mexican-style fighter," said Rodriguez.

An accidental head butt at the end of round four led to a cut that developed under the left eye of Guevara.

"We knew he was an awkward fighter," said Rodriguez of their

heads colliding, "But he was even more awkward than we thought."

A highly decorated amateur, Rodriguez continued his calculated, methodical approach throughout the middle rounds.

Rodriguez added, "We weren't able to really decipher him in the first rounds but we were able to adjust eventually."

Guevara, who has fought in two world title fights, threw a change-up and came out fighting more wildly in round seven, causing Rodriguez some minor issues with the distance.

However, Rodriguez stuck to his game plan and used his superior timing to coast to victory in the later rounds.

Guevara said, "My plan was to box him and tap him when I had him, but things didn't come out that way. I'm not sure if it was a lack of focus or what it was, I'm just not sure. I feel good though. It was a hard fight, harder than I expected. He's a strong guy. I felt a little constrained and a little slow, but I tried my best tonight."

Rodriguez summed up the win adding, "I feel great, thank God. I'm really happy with this Victory, it was a victory that I needed to add onto my record and thankfully I was able to get it. Now I'm going to take a month off and wait until my management team tells us what fight date comes next so we can continue to pursue the goals we have set for ourselves."

The second televised bout featured unbeaten prospect Caleb "Sweet Hands" Plant (13-0, 10 KOs) getting a knockout victory over Columbia's Carlos Galvan (12-5-1, 11 KOs) in a middleweight bout.

Plant spent much of the first two rounds displaying his trademark showmanship and feeling out Galvan.

Plant said his strategy entering the ring was, "To be sharp and slick tonight, stay relaxed and patient. I didn't want to

force anything or leave myself out there too long.”

That’s exactly what Plant did, ending the bout in the fourth with a devastating blow to Galvan’s solar plexus.

A frustrated Galvan said, “He got a lucky shot, I threw a straight right and he slipped by it and landed a body shot to my liver so I wasn’t able to continue with the fight after that.”

“It was just about staying patient and waiting for him to make a mistake,” said Plant. “I wanted to take advantage, and that’s what happened. I took the body shot when I saw he was open and he went down.”

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