VIDEO: Thomas Lamanna Workout

Thomas "Cornflake" LaManna Takes on Salim Larbi in Main Event on Saturday, December 17th at The Showboat Atlantic City

Atlantic City, NJ (November 29, 2022)—On Saturday night, December 17th, former world title challenger, Thomas LaManna will take on former Interim world title challenger Salim Larbi in a 10-round middleweight bout that will headline a big seven bout card at The Showboat Hotel in Atlantic City.

The card is promoted by Rising Star Promotions.

LaManna, of nearby Millville, New Jersey, is ranked numbereight by the World Boxing Association (WBA), and has a record of 33-5-1 with 13 knockouts.

Now 31 years-old, LaManna has been a professional for 11 years and the favorite of Atlantic City, will be making his 22nd appearance on the boardwalk and third at The Showboat.

LaManna won his first 16 bouts, and has wins over Kendal Mena (20-3), Matthew Strode (25-6), former world title challenger Mike Arnaoutis and his last bout when he won the WBA Fedacarible title with a 10-round unanimous decision over Michael Marcano (25-5-1) on September 8th in Colombia.

"I am Glad to be back headlining in Atlantic City in a meaningful fight, and like I've said in recent months, I'm just glad to be back in general, especially when I thought it was all over for me. Salim is a experienced veteran but I feel I'm on another level," said LaManna

Larbi of Rahway, New Jersey is 22-11-3 with eight knockouts. The 35 year-old Larbi began his career in France and has fought all over the globe. Larbi has quality wins over Davit Makaradze (16-4-1) and Patrice Sou Toke (17-2). Larbi is coming off a draw with Nicholas Hernandez (20-4-1) on December 11, 2021 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

In the eight-round co-feature, popular Albanian heavyweight Kristian Prenga takes on an opponent to be named.

Prenga of Orosh, Albania and now residing in Niagara Falls, Ontario is 12-1 with 12 knockouts. The 31 year-old has fought in Germany, Albania and Canada, before campaigning in the United States, has knockout wins over Jaime Barajas (2-0-2), Aldo Colliander (15-2) and his last bout he disposed of Alvin Davie in two rounds on November 12th at The Showboat.

In a featured attraction, DeCarlo Perez (19-6-1, 6 KOs) of Atlantic City takes on Nadim Sollum (9-1, 4 KOs) of Brooklyn, New York in a super middleweight contest.

In Six-round bouts:

Paul Bamba (5-2, 4 KOs) of New York, New York will take on an opponent to be named in a light heavyweight contest.

Dan Murray (6-6) of Lanoka Harbor, NJ battles an opponent to be named in a junior welterweight tussle.

Tyrell Bostic (7-1, 1 KO) of Wyandamch, New York fights an opponent to be named in a junior welterweight contest.

Jabril Noble (4-0, 4 KOs) of Philadelphia will take on an opponent to be named in a four-round lightweight bout.

AUDIO: The Abrams Boxing Show w/Guest Thomas "Cornflake" LaManna

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LaManna: The World Knows I Won

Millville, NJ (September 8, 2020) — It's been a little over a week since Jr. Middleweight Contender Thomas "Cornflake" LaManna and once beaten Brian "La Bala" Mendoza squared off in

the PBC on FS1 Main Event from the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles, California. Uncertain as to why and how, judges Edward Hernandez Sr. (98-92), Steve Morrow (96-94) and Pat Russell (98-92) all saw the bout in favor of Mendoza. Ironically, Hernandez Sr. was one of the judges from this past Sunday's WBA Welterweight championship fight between Yordenis Ugas and Abel Ramos.

"This is a huge problem with boxing, these judges are ruining the careers of many young fighters who are just trying to make it. fortunately, the right person won in the Ugas fight, but they tried robbing that man of a World Title, it's gross". LaManna quoted in a very "torn" voice.

When asked about the fight, the scoring and "the bubble", LaManna had no problem speaking his mind.

"The world knows I won; shit Brian Mendoza knows I won. The look on his face on National TV after they announced him the winner speaks for itself. I don't have a problem with the kid, I wish him nothing but the best, he's a good fighter and he gutted it out after being badly hurt in the 3rd round, but facts are it shouldn't of been enough to win the fight and the judges are completely foul for scoring the way they did. There's no need for a rematch, I'm still at a loss for words, but I'm able to sleep well at night knowing that I won that fight, and it's probably haunting Mendoza because he knows he got an early Christmas gift".

"The whole fight week was smooth, but it was not easy for everyone. We are basically locked in our room for maybe 20 hours out of the day, only allowed out to use the gym at a set time and to eat breakfast, lunch and dinner. It was well run by the security team and the PBC staff was tremendous. It's just a shame that a different, but good fight week was ruined by the decision".

"I guess the biggest mistake that I made was having too much

fun in the fight. I was the aggressor, I threw more punches, I landed more punches, I was making him miss and just displaying my experience. My trainers both told me that we didn't know what the judges were looking at, so let's close the fight out, Mendoza doesn't belong in there with me".

That didn't turn out the way LaManna had hoped as he was cut in the 9th round for the first time in his almost 10-year career after a fierce exchange. "That sucked" LaManna quoted laughing. "The cut probably threw me off my game and I wasn't happy with my mental conditioning, but now it's something I've now experienced and thankfully there was only a round and a half left. My cutman Mike Rodriguez did an excellent job with the cut, I just let it get the best of me".

"Boxing is all about being able to make adjustments in the moment, being smart and sharp, swimming without getting wet as Brother Naz (Late trainer Naazim Richardson) always said. God willing I'll be back, PBC treated me good and gave me another opportunity after my poor performance against (Jorge) Cota back in January. I watched the replay once and listening to hall of famers Lennox Lewis and Joe Goossen, who both had me winning comfortably along with Brian Kenny, really lit a spark and I realized that I should have just kept doing what I was doing, boxing and making Mendoza look lost but based on the judges scores, would it have really mattered though?"

AUDIO: Interview with Thomas "Cornflake" LaManna

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VIDEO INTERVIEW: THOMAS LAMANNA

Top Super Welterweight Prospect Joey Spencer Battles Erik Spring in FOX PBC Fight Night Action & on FOX Deportes Saturday, January 18

from Temple University's Liacouras Center in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA (January 3, 2020) — Top super welterweight prospect Joey Spencer will enter the ring to take on Erik Spring in a six-round showdown that opens up the FOX PBC Fight Night broadcast and on FOX Deportes Saturday, January 18 from Temple University's Liacouras Center in Philadelphia.

FOX PBC Fight Night begins at 8 p.m. ET/5 p.m. PT and is headlined by unified 154-pound champion and Philadelphianative Julian "J-Rock" Williams making a homecoming defense against hard-hitting contender Jeison Rosario. The co-main event will feature undefeated rising star Chris "Prime Time" Colbert taking on former champion Jezreel Corrales for the Interim WBA Super Featherweight Title.

Preceding the main card on FOX, FOX PBC Fight Night Prelims on FS1 and FOX Deportes begin at 6:30 p.m. ET/3:30 p.m. PT and feature a 10-round super welterweight attraction between Mexico's Jorge Cota (29-4, 26 KOs) and New Jersey's Thomas "Cornflake" LaManna (28-2-1, 10 KOs). Plus, sensational 17-year-old prospect Vito Mielnicki Jr. (3-0, 3 KOs) steps in for a four round welterweight bout against West Virginia's Preston Wilson (6-3-1, 4 KOs), while Puerto Rican prospect Romuel Cruz (3-0-1, 1 KO) competes in a four-round super bantamweight fight against Wisconsin's Julio Garcia (3-3, 2 KOs) in the opener.

Tickets for the live event, which is promoted by TGB Promotions, are on sale now and can be purchased at http://www.liacourascenter.com/events (direct link HERE) or by calling 800-298-4200.

The 19-year-old Spencer (9-0, 7 KOs) has made fast strides

since turning pro in February 2018, including four victories on his 2019 campaign. Representing his hometown of Linden, Michigan, Spencer most recently stopped Travis Gambardella on FS1 in September after defeating Akeem Black on FOX in June. He will kick off 2020 against the 35-year-old Spring (13-3-2, 1 KO), who fought three times in 2019, winning twice. The Reading, Pennsylvania native dropped a decision to Courtney Pennington last time out but has won five of his last seven bouts.

The non-televised undercard will also feature Delaware-native Kyrone Davis (14-5, 2 KOs) in an eight-round middleweight fight against Atlanta's Antonio Todd (7-2, 4 KOs), Philadelphia native Paul Kroll (6-0, 5 KOs) battling another Philadelphia native in Marcel Rivers (7-2, 4 KOs) for a six-round super welterweight affair, and super featherweight Ricky Lopez (21-4-1, 6 KOs) from Colorado Springs taking on Chicago's Jose Luis Gallegos (18-8, 14 KOs) in a contest scheduled for 10 rounds.

Rounding out the action is Paterson, New Jersey's Norman Neely looking to remain unbeaten against Georgia's Larry Knight in a four-round heavyweight bout, Puerto Rico's Luis Del Valle in an eight-round super lightweight duel and the pro debut of Philadelphia's Miguel Angel Roman Jr. in a four-round featherweight affair.

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VIDEO: Thomas LaManna talks July 20 bout with Cesar Garcia Hernandez