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BENSALEM, PA—Popular heavyweight Joey Dawejko stopped Mike Marshall in round four of their scheduled six-round bout at The Xcite Center inside Parx Casino.

The eight-bout card was promoted by Joe Hand Promotions.

In round two, Dawejko uncorked a wicked left hook that hit Marshall square in the right side of his head, and he fell on his back. Dawejko landed hard body shots with both hands.

Just after the 10-second clap in round four, Dawejko landed another quick and powerful left hook that sent Marshall down

for a second time. Marshall struggled to his feet and the referee Eric Dali waved the fight off at the 3:00 mark.

Dawejko, 261.7 lbs of Philadelphia is now 22-10-4 with 13 knockouts. Marshall, 251.7 lbs of Danbury, CT is 6-4-1.

Daiyaan Butt won a six-round unanimous decision over Tyrone Luckey in a super lightweight bout.

It was a competitive fight that saw Butt control the action with activity, but Luckey would keep Butt honest by landing an occasional power shot.

In round five, Luckey began to bleed from his nose.

Butt, 141.5 lbs of Philadelphia won by scores of 60-54 twice and 58-56 and is now 11-2. Luckey, 140.2 lbs of Galloway, NJ is 15-18-4

Nelson Morales won a five-round technical split decision over Christopher Burgos in a super lightweight.

The bout was stopped at 2:45 of round five as Burgos was unable to continue due to an accidental headbutt.

Morales, 140.9 lbs of Scranton, PA is 3-1. Burgos, 142 lbs of Philadelphia is 3-6-2.

Soslan Alborov and Brendan O'Callaghan battled to a spirited four-round majority draw in a middleweight fight.

Scores were 40-36 for O'Callaghan and 38-38 twice.

O'Callaghan, 155.4 lbs of Philadelphia is 3-1-1. Alborov, 154.5 lbs of Philadelphia is 0-1-1,

Bryce Mills won a four-round unanimous decision over Carlos Marrero in a super lightweight bout.

Mills, 142 lbs of Syracuse, NY won by scores of 40-36 on all cards and is now 9-1. Marrero, 142 lbs of Bridgeport, PA is

3-8.

Tyler Zwicharowski made a successful pro debut by stopping Andre Hinmon in round three of their four-round middleweight contest.

In round three, Zwicharowski battered Hinmon all over the ring until he put him down with a right hand. Zwicharowski was all over Hinmon that forced referee Shawn Clark to stop the bout at 1:18.

Zwicharowski, 162.5 lbs of Philadelphia is 1-0 with one knockout. Hinmon, 166 lbs of Philadelphia is 0-2.

In a battle of pro debuting super featherweights, Devin Gantt stopped Tajiro Arakawa in round three of their four-round bout.

In round three, Gantt hurt Arakawa with a combination and he dropped him face-first with a hard left hand. Referee Eric Dali waved it off at 44 seconds.

Gantt, 126.3 lbs of Sicklerville, NJ is 1-0 with one knockout. Arakawa, 128.7 lbs of New York, NY is 0-1.

Everlon Still won a four round unanimous decision over Derrick Vann in a super middleweight bout.

Still, 169.5 lbs of Voorhees, NJ won by scores of 40-36 and 39-37 twice and is now 2-2. Vann, 166.5 lbs of Philadelphia, PA is 2-5.

ABOUT JOE HAND PROMOTIONS

Founded in 1971, Joe Hand Promotions is the nation's oldest and largest television distributor of pay-per-view and closed circuit sports and entertainment events, such as the Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC), championship boxing, and concerts. JHP's event consultants provide their marketing knowledge and promotional expertise to help commercial

establishments grow their business through the use of live sports and entertainment programming. Additionally, JHP hosts 4-6 live boxing events per year in the Philadelphia area. These events have held sold-out crowds at various venues and arenas.

ABOUT PARX CASINO®

Parx Casino® is owned and operated by Greenwood Racing, Inc. and is the #1 revenue-generating casino property in Pennsylvania. Parx Casino® is conveniently located 20 minutes north of center city Philadelphia, I-95 exit 37 or PA Turnpike exit 351 (westbound), exit 352 (eastbound) on Street Road in Bensalem, Bucks County, with complimentary parking for over 5,000 cars. Parx features Xlounge, a luxury casino lounge, and over 200,000 square feet of gaming; 3,270 slot machines and 148 live table games; 40 poker tables; Parx Poker, a new custom-built private poker room; live racing and simulcast action. The Xcite Center at Parx Casino is a 1,500-seat live entertainment venue. Parx has an array of dining options to include Parxgrill, an upscale signature restaurant; Foodies quick service dining; Chickie's & Pete's Crab House and Sports Bar; Jax sports bar; Circle Bar; and Bambu Noodle House. In 2019, Parx launched sports betting and opened the massive year-round Liberty Bell Beer Garden gastropub to rave reviews. For more information on Parx Casino®, visit www.parxcasino.com.

Weights from Bensalem, Pennsylvania

Bensalem, PA (August 31, 2022)–Weights for Thursday night's

Joe Hand Promotions card at Parx Casino

Photo by Darryl Cobb Jr.

Joey Dawejko 261.7 – Mike Marshall 251.7

Christopher Burgos 142 – Nelson Morales 140.8

Daiyaan Butt 141.5 – Tyrone Luckey 140.2

Brendan O'Callaghan 155.4 – Soslan Alborov 154.6

Carlos Marrero 142 – Bryce Mills 142

Andre Hinmon 166 – Tyler Zwicharowski 162.5

Devin Gantt 126.3 – Tajiro Arakawa 128.7

Everlon Still 169.5 – Derrick Vann 166.5

Promoter: Joe Hand Promotions

Venue: Parx Casino:

1st Bell: 7 PM ET

Stream: Flo Combat

**HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHTER JOEY
DAWEJKO THE BUSINESS OWNER
AND BOXER RETURNS TO PARX**

CASINO ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Joey Dawejko (21-10-4, 12 KOs), of Philadelphia, PA, will be headlining an eight-round heavyweight contest against Mike Marshall (6-3-1, 4 KOs), of Danbury, CT, at Parx Casino on Thursday, Sept 1.

Dawejko was at a crossroads in his career and contemplated retirement. He was trying to figure out the next phase of his life after boxing. Dawejko worked as a roofer back in the day, but decided it was time for him to be on the other side of the business and own his own roofing company. That led to him opening Tank's Knockout Roofing, which has been a great success since starting earlier this year.

Tickets to the seven-bout card at Parx® are on sale now at:

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This card will be streamed by FloSports via the web, the FloSports mobile app (iOS and Android), or connected TV platforms such as AppleTV, Roku, FireTV, Vizio and others – for as little as \$12.50 per month. Fight fans can subscribe with a monthly or annual membership today at <https://www.flocombat.com/> to be ready for a full schedule of FIGHTNIGHT LIVE events in 2022.

One would think that owning your own company would be harder than having a day job, but Dawejko would disagree. “So early in my career, I was a roofer and I was working for somebody, and being out on the roof working 8-12 hours a day was a rough one. Now that I own my own company, it is a little different

being able to rely on someone else to get the work done and stuff like that and me being able to train is a lot different. Having my own company and being able to do that is great.” Dawejko said.

This upcoming fight at Parx Casino on Thursday, Sept 1 will be a big fight for Dawejko. “This upcoming fight honestly, I’m trying to prove to myself that I am still worth it and I still have what it takes to go out and perform to my abilities and my expectations. Really this is a fight for me where I know that I am still hungry, and I know I still want to do this and that is what I want to prove to myself.” Dawejko still has the hunger and wants to see if he still has what it takes to make one more push to become a contender.

Dawejko has fought all over the world but there is nothing like fighting in Philadelphia in front of his hometown fans. He enjoyed the experience of fighting in countries like Russia and Germany, but hearing screaming fans that are there to see him gives him more motivation.

“You walk out, and your song starts playing and you just have this like tunnel vision walking to the ring. It is a great feeling. It’s something else and not everyone can experience that. “

ADDITIONAL Q&A

What pushed you to start a roofing company?

“So honestly I was ready to retire from boxing and then Russell Peltz called me and worked it out where we would fight at home and back in front of my friends and family. I was looking for the next phase of my life after boxing because boxing has been my life full time for the past eight years. It was the right time for me financially and I wasn’t really worried about anything else. After talking to Russell, it got me back into boxing.”

How has becoming a roofer affected your boxing career?

“Back then it was tough because I was working so much and I wasn’t able to make it to the gym, but a few months ago my trainer, Mike Weaver, called and said listen we got this gym up here and why don’t you start coming in to stay loose. I decided to try it out. He was a fighter back in the day and he’s a little older than me but I kind of grew up with him but it could help me out and help him out with me being in the gym. I said I am going to go into the gym but not treat it as a fight that’s kind of where my motivation was to get to the gym. If I was treating this as a fight I would have felt like I had enough of this. So now it’s different I was just going in working out and now that a possibility for a fight coming it worked out perfectly. I was already in good enough shape where I can work out and get ready for the fight so it was perfect timing for me because I was going to the gym and stuff like that”

Highlighted on Joe Hand Promotions’ Labor Day Weekend Fight Card:

In a four-round middleweight bout, Soslan Alborov (0-1), of Philadelphia, PA, will take on Brendan O’Callaghan (2-1, 1 KO), also from Philadelphia, PA.

Lightweight fighter Bryce Mills (8-1, 4 KOs), of Liverpool, NY, returns to Philadelphia to face Carlos Marrero (3-7-3), of Bridgeport, CT, in a four-round super lightweight bout.

Daiyaan Butt (10-2, 5 KOs), of Philadelphia, PA, will be competing against Tyrone Luckey (15-17-4, 11 KOs), of Galloway, NJ, in a six-round super lightweight bout.

Devin Gantt of Sicklerville, NJ will make his pro debut in a four-round lightweight bout against Taijiro Arakawa of New York, NY who is also making his pro debut.

Also making his debut is Tyler Zwicharowski of Philadelphia,

PA competing in a four-round middleweight fight against Andre Hinmon (0-1) of Philadelphia, PA.

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BRYCE MILLS WILL MAKE HIS SECOND PHILADELPHIA-AREA APPEARANCE WHEN HE STEPS IN THE RING AT PARX CASINO® ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st

Thursday, September 1 at Parx Casino®

Lightweight fighter Bryce Mills (8-1, 4 KOs), of Liverpool, NY, returns to Philadelphia to face Larry Fryers (11-5-1, 4 KOs), of Yonkers, NY, in a six-round lightweight bout, as part of a 7-bout card at Parx Casino® in Bensalem, PA on Thursday, September 1st. Mills was victorious in his last fight in Philadelphia at Live! Casino and Hotel (February 24, 2022).

Mills is a lifelong martial artist that began to train at the age of five. He has competed in both kickboxing and boxing in his career, but for the last four years, has solely focused on boxing. Boxing is where his passion is and where he wants to pursue his professional career.

When asked about his dreams in boxing he said, "I want to go as far as I can possibly go. If that means being a future Hall of Famer or winning world championships, then that's fine with me. I just want to know that I left everything I have in the ring and gave it the best possible shot I could give."

Mills is an ultra-competitor that just loves to compete. Win, lose or draw, he is going to go out there and fight hard. That is the only way he knows how to fight.

His opponent, Larry Fryers, is no joke as an opponent, as he has a winning record and is the more experienced of the two fighters. Fryers has fought tough competition in his career,

with the likes of Samuel Teah, John Bauza, and highly touted prospect Xander Zayas.

ADDITIONAL Q&A

How would you describe your fighting style?

“I believe it’s a versatile style. I can fight in all areas, but my primary style is to push the pace and bring the fight to my opponent. I know when the going gets rough and it gets later in the rounds, I’m going to have the extra in the tank and will be able to push out my opponent to get the win.”

Did you learn anything about yourself after your last fight?

“I always knew I could push myself to that level and I have the extra gas in the tank and the heart that my opponent doesn’t have to go the distance and come out with a victory. That last fight was really one of my biggest tests to date and was a step up in competition for me. That was a fight that kind of solidified me that I am made for this, and this is what I should be doing. I took a step up in competition and passed the test. So, maybe this next opponent is even a little better and the next is even better. I just need to keep passing these tests as the fights go on.”

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**DAIYAAN BUTT WILL BE
RETURNING TO PARX CASINO® ON
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER,
1st LOOKING TO SILENCE THE
DOUBTERS AFTER HIS RECENT
LOSS**

Daiyaan Butt (10-2, 5 KOs) out of Philadelphia, PA will be competing in a six-round super lightweight bout at Parx Casino® on Thursday, September 1st. Butt has experienced a lot of success at Parx Casino®, as he has gotten his hand raised every time. His last fight was a razor-thin decision loss against a tough opponent in Bryce Mills, where Butt, his team, and some observers thought he won the fight on February 24th at Live! Casino and Hotel in South Philly. I had the pleasure to speak with Daiyaan Butt and get his thoughts on the outcome of his last fight and some of the frustrations he has with the

sport of boxing.

DAIYAAN BUTT Q&A

What are your thoughts on the outcome of your last fight and how do you feel?

“I thought I won, and I think 95% of the people I spoke to, even people I don’t know, thought I won. If I dwell on the past, it will wear on me for my next fight, and I can’t do that. I thought I put on a good performance, and the judges’ scoring card had me completely shocked. Body language tells you a lot. My whole corner thought I won, and when they read the score cards, I had my hands up because I thought I won. Then when they read his name, you could tell by his body language that he was surprised. I feel like they know the truth themselves. I thought I was being biased at first. I was asking my friends and people I know, and I had messages on Instagram and Facebook, etc. They were saying it was a really good fight. Some rounds were close, but they definitely thought I won, and there was no way I lost every single round. The judges said I lost every single round, which I thought was a joke. But it is what it is. You’ve just got to keep moving forward, and I feel I gained more from this loss than I thought. I literally got back in the gym the next day, my eye is all healed now, and I’m just ready to go into the next one.”

What have you learned about yourself as a person and a boxer in the last few weeks?

“I didn’t learn much. He was a tough kid, so I would give that to him. But I wouldn’t say I learned much. I know I’m a dog, and I definitely put on a good fight. And I’m not scared – I’ll tell you that. I already believed I was a dog, but it kind of showed me a little bit of the bad side of boxing, where sometimes it can’t always go your way when it should go your way, if that makes sense. So the judging system in boxing

is what is making boxing a failing sport. You don't see these types of judge score cards in a sport like MMA. There is nothing you could do about it but move on. You can't fight the judges every fight. What made me feel better was 99% of the people I talked to thought I won, even some of the boxing writers and the guys who commentated. I'm not crazy. The promoter apologized too, and Brittany wants me back, so we are going on to the next one on September 1st."

Is there something that you focused on improving coming into this fight?

"Just everything in general. There is always room for improvement, and you can't ever be satisfied. I want to improve my overall game speed, power, and fundamentals and just become a better fighter."

Are you looking forward to being able to focus on just boxing on fight week now that your school semester will be over when you fight?

"School doesn't really play a part. I am really good at balancing my school and boxing, where at the end of the day, it's life. You can't have everything easy, and you have to be able to balance everything. That's how life goes. A fight week without any homework or school is better. I can just relax or go get another workout in."

If you have one message for the fans, what would it be?

"I appreciate all the love and support from everyone who comes out to the fight. Not everything is going to go your way, but my job is to make sure I go out and put on a good performance, fight to the best of my ability, and put on a show for everybody who comes out to watch and show support."

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Juan Davila (1-0, 1 KO) out of Philadelphia, PA will be competing in a four-round super lightweight bout.

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Dawejko continues to challenge himself in boxing while owning his own roofing company.

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