

Split-T Management undefeated Fighters Tyler Howard and Rolando Vargas in action on Friday Night in Oxon Hill, Maryland

NEW YORK (July 17, 2019)—Two members of the Split-T Management stable will be on display in supporting bouts on Friday night at The MGM National Harbor in Oxon Hill, Maryland.

Undefeated middleweight Tyler Howard will take on hard-nosed Philly Fighter Jamaal Davis, while undefeated lightweight Rolando Vargas squares off with fellow undefeated fighter Nathaniel Lee Davis.

Those bouts will be part of the undercard of fellow Split-T fighter, Teofimo Lopez taking on Masayoshi Nakatani in an IBF Lightweight Elimination bout.

Howard of Crossville, Tennessee has a record of 17-0 with 11 knockouts. The 25 year-old Howard is eager to get back in the ring after his scheduled fight for June 28th fell out at the last moment when his opponent was 14 pounds over the contracted weight.

Howard is coming off the two best wins of his career as he stopped Isiah Seldon (12-1-1) in the 1st round; a win over Cristian Olivas (16-3) on February 15th.

In Davis, Howard will be taking on a veteran who has 33 fights on his ledger Davis has wins over Joey Damalavez (2-0), Terrence Williams (4-1) and Blake Mansfield (6-1-1).

Vargas (2-0, 2 KOs) of Milwaukee, was a 2017 National Junior

Olympic Champion, will take on undefeated Nathaniel Lee Davis (1-0) in a lightweight bout, scheduled for four-rounds.

Davis will be the 2nd undefeated opponent for Vargas in three fights.

The Top Rank promoted card can be seen live on ESPN+ beginning at 6:30 PM ET.

With Title shot on the line, Lightweight Sensation Teofimo Lopez takes on Masayoshi Nakatani on Friday Night at The MGM National Harbor in Oxon Hill, Maryland

NEW YORK (July 18, 2019)—Boxing's hottest star, undefeated lightweight Teofimo Lopez takes what should be the last step towards securing a world title when he takes on Masayoshi Nakatani (18-0, 12 KOs) in the main event of a big card tomorrow night at the MGM National Harbor in Oxon Hill, Maryland.

The fight is an IBF Title Eliminator, will be streamed live on ESPN+ beginning at 10:00 ET. (The card begins at 6:30 PM ET on ESPN+).

With the win, Lopez will be set up for a fall showdown with IBF world champion Richard Commey.

Lopez of Brooklyn, New York has had a meteoric rise up the lightweight division as he has compiled a record of 13-0 with 11 knockouts.

The charismatic 21 year-old Lopez first must get through the undefeated visitor from Osaka, Japan.

Nakatani is the long-time OBPF Lightweight champion, who has cleaned out the best fighters in Japan, and will be making his United States debut.

“Training camp was great this time around, and I just loved how everything was put to schedule,” said Lopez, who is coming off a 5th round stoppage over Edis Tatli on April 20th at Madison Square Garden.

“Nakatani is no pushover, and I know he’s going to come and try to win this fight. He’s undefeated, and is a lot taller than me so he has the advantage with his reach. I trust my coach and my team that our game plan is going to work, and I see us knocking Nakatani out before 12 rounds.”

“A win for me will lead us to become the mandatory challenger to face the IBF World Champion Richard Commey.

Lopez is managed by Split-T Management and promoted by Top Rank

Photo by Mikey Williams / Top Rank

Sonny Conto Joins Good Day

Live Wednesday morning!

NEW YORK (July 16, 2019)-South Philly's Sonny Conto, fresh off throwing the first pitch at tonight's Phillies game, will be featured on Fox 29's Good Day Philadelphia live tomorrow morning at 7:45 and 8:30 – find out how he made the switch from playing baseball in high school and college to becoming Philadelphia's real life Rocky!

Hear Sonny talk about how he's preparing for his August 10th bout under the lights of Temple University's Liacouras Center.

Tune in at 7:45 on Fox 29 tomorrow morning!

Conto is managed by Split-T Management and promoted by Top Rank.

TONIGHT!!! UNDEFEATED HEAVYWEIGHT SONNY CONTO TO THROW OUT 1ST PITCH AT PHILLIES GAME

NEW YORK (July 16, 2019)–Undefeated Heavyweight Prospect Sonny Conto will return to his roots, and throw at the ceremonial 1st pitch at TONIGHT'S Philadelphia Phillies – Los Angeles Dodgers game at Citizens Bank Park.

The 1st pitch will be part of The Phillies Italian Heritage Celebration.

The 23 year-old Conto of South Philadelphia has a record of

3-0 with three knockouts.

Conto was an acclaimed baseball pitcher, who pitched for Rowan College, in Gloucester County. Conto, helped his team make it to the NJCAA Division III World Series, where his team placed 3rd.

Conto had a minuscule ERA of 0.73 and had two saves.

“This is a blessing, and I am thankful for the opportunity,” said Conto. “I did not expect something like this so early in my career.”

“My goal was always to pitch in the Major Leagues, but then I got into a car accident, and then I turned my focus towards boxing,” said the former relief pitcher.

Conto is managed by Split-T Management and promoted by Top Rank. He will look for win number-four on Saturday August 10th when he takes on Guillermo Del Rio at The Liacouras Center in Philadelphia..

Keeping Up With The Joneses

NEW YORK (July 1, 2019)—Two members of the Split-T Management stable registered big wins on Saturday night as super featherweight Otha Jones III remained undefeated and cruiserweight, “Mighty” Joe Jones notched his 11th victory.

Otha Jones III notched his 2nd win in seven days over two continents as he won a six-round unanimous decision over Matias Arriagada in a super featherweight bout at The Dunkin Donuts Center in Providence, Rhode Island.

Last Saturday, Jones took out Michael Horabin in the 1st round

at York Hall in London.

It was a good action fight that saw Jones land the harder punches against a game Arriagada. Jones, who showed fast hands and good combination work, used a variety of punches that landed which included some solid uppercuts.

Jones, 131.4 lbs of Toledo, Ohio won by shutout tallies of 60-54 on all cards, and is now 3-0, Arriagada, 128.4 lbs of Argentina is 6-5.

“This fight taught me to be composed and adjust,” said Jones III. “I give myself a B. I will learn to sit down more on my punches, and placing my shots.

Otha Jones III is promoted by Matchroom Boxing.

Cruiserweight, “Mighty” Joe Jones won a six-round unanimous decision over Twon Smith at The Gardens Ice House in Laurel, Maryland.

Joe Jones used his fast hands, and wore down Smith with body shots over the six-rounds. Jones won by scores of 59-55 twice and 59-54 to raise his mark to an impressive 11-1.

Split-T Management Cruiserweight Joe Jones in Action Tonight in Maryland

NEW YORK (June 29, 2019) Cruiserweight prospect, “Mighty” Joe Jones will be back in action tonight as he takes on Twon Smith in a six-round bout at The Gardens Ice House in Laurel, Maryland.

Jones of Leesburg, Virginia, has a record of 10-1 with eight knockouts.

The 24 year-old Jones will be making his 2nd start of 2019, as he is coming off a 1st round stoppage over previously undefeated Montez Brown (8-0) on April 20th in Fort Washington, Maryland.

Jones weighed 197.6 lbs at Friday's weigh-in while Smith was 199

Tyler Howard's opponent Fails to make weight for Tonight's bout in Temecula, California

NEW YORK (June 28, 2019) -Undefeated middleweight Tyler Howard (17-0, 11 Kos) was supposed to be in action tonight at the Pechanga Resort in Temecula, California, but due to complications with his opponent, Howard will not be in the ring.

Howard was originally supposed to fight Manny Woods, but Woods pulled out on Monday. Quick efforts were successful in securing a new opponent as Luis Hernandez stepped into taking the fight.

"Woods knew about the fight for seven weeks, but he pulled out. We found Hernandez and set for the fight to be at 162 pounds. Hernandez never fought above 162, and has fought most of his career at lower weights," said Howard.

"On Wednesday night, Hernandez claimed he was 172 pound. Two-hours before the weigh in, he said he could only get to 167.

We agreed to that and adjusted the contract. I just wanted to fight. At that time, I was still preparing for 162, so I had some water, had a banana and a blueberry muffin and left my hotel room at 166.4. When I went to the weigh-in and got a call from my Manager and they told me that Hernandez not only was not going to fight, but he was 174 pounds. I am disappointed, but I just want to point out that my manager of Tim VanNewhouse of Split-T Management and my promoter Top Rank did every thing they could to make the fight happen, and I just want to thank them for that. I was told, I will be back in action on July 19th in National Harbor, Maryland, and I look forward to having my fans show up to see me that night.”

Photo by Mikey Williams / Top Rank

Otha Jones III Looks For 2nd Win in 7 Days on Saturday Night in Providence

NEW YORK (June 27, 2019) -This Saturday night in Providence, Rhode Island, prized prospect Otha Jones III will look for his 2nd win in seven days on two continents as he takes on Matias Agustin Arriagada.

It was just last Saturday when the 19 year-old Jones stopped Michael Horrabin in the 1st round at York Hall in London.

Jones, who is managed by Split-T Management, is wasting no time as he was asked to stay busy as soon as he landed on American soil, and he was placed on the Saturday night fight card at the Dunkin Donuts Center.

In Arriagada, he is facing a battled tested fighter from Argentina, who has a record of 6-4 with three knockouts. Arriagada has wins over two undefeated fighters.

Jones (2-0,1 K0) of Toledo, Ohio is ready for the task on Saturday night, and the fight will be streamed live on DAZN.

“After being in London, and experiencing that, it was a great feeling to make a lot of fans over there. Now I am in Rhode Island making more fans. It’s an amazing feeling to share the card with some of my amateur teammates in Raymond Ford and Alexis Espino as well as an idol of mine, Demetrius Andrade. I want to thank Eddie Hearn of Matchroom Boxing as well as my team.”

Jones, a native of Toledo, Ohio, was a remarkable amateur as he was a 21-time National Champion, where he compiled a staggering 283-13 amateur record highlighted by representing Team USA in several international tournaments including winning a Gold Medal at the International Youth Continental Americas Tournament and Silver Medal at the Emil Jechev Memorial Tournament as well as winning several national tournaments such as the winning gold medals in United States National Championships (Twice) and the World Championship Qualifier.

Jones was also a four-time State Wrestling Champion.

Jones is promoted by Matchroom Boxing.

Photo by Ed Mulholland / Matchroom USA

Otha Jones III Dismantles Horabin in 100 seconds

NEW YORK (June 24, 2019) -This past Friday, prized prospect, 19 year-old Otha Jones III took out 13-fight veteran in one round in a bout that took place at York Hall London.

Jones dropped Horabin twice, and make a real impression on the knowledgeable London fight crowd.

With the win, Jones ups his mark to 2-0 with one knockout.

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