Alycia Baumgardner Knocks Out Terri Harper to Win WBC/IBO Junior Lightweight Title

Reading, PA (November 15, 2021)—Alycia Baumgardner became the WBC/IBO Junior Lightweight world champion with a crushing fourth round stoppage over reigning and previously undefeated champion Terri Harper at The Sheffield Arena in Sheffield, England.

Baumgardner, who came in as a big underdog at more than 7 to 1, hurt Harper in round two with some hard right hands.

In round four, Baumgardner landed a big right hand that stunned and froze Harper. Harper was basically motionless on her feet. Baumgardner jumped in and landed one more powerful left hook just as referee Mark Lyson was stopping the fight just 23 seconds into the round.

Baumgardner, of Bingham Farms, Michigan via Fremont, Ohio, who is promoted by King's Promotions, becomes a world champion with a record of 11-1 with seven knockouts.

"The ones that overlooked me, fueled me. People got to see a tad of who Alycia is. Since everyone was booing me, I embraced it and it pumped me up even more. When I landed the punch, I felt all my power hit her right on the chin. When I saw her hurt, I knew just to finish her right now. I thought immediately that I did it, and I am a world champion. I want to unify the division, and I am going to be the undisputed champion," said Baumgardner.

"I am so proud of Alycia. She showed what a true champion is all about. She came into enemy territory, and came in here and knocked the champion out. Alycia is a special fighter and to win the championship in the fashion that she did was just awesome to witness. There are many major opportunities ahead for her, and when the time is right, we will sit down with Eddie Hearn and Matchroom Boxing and look at those options. She deserves time to celebrate this amazing accomplishment," said Marshall Kauffman, CEO of King's Promotions.

"Alycia did what I always believed she would do when we signed her three years ago. I knew Alycia would win a world title and it came to fruition. All she needed was one opportunity, and look what happened. I feel that in a very short time, Alycia will be one of, if not the face of women's boxing," said Andrew Foy of King's Promotions.

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Alycia "The Bomb" Baumgardner Challenges Terri Harper for the WBC Super Featherweight Title TODAY!! in Sheffield, England

Reading, PA (November 13, 2021)—TODAY!! at the Sheffield Arena in Sheffield, England, Alycia Baumgardner will challenge Terri Harper for the WBC and IBO Super Featherweight Title.

The fight will be streamed Live on DAZN, beginning at 2 PM ET.

Baumgardner, who is promoted by King's Promotions, has a record of 10-1 with six knockouts.

The 27-year-old of Bingham Farms, Michigan, has won four

consecutive fights. In her last outing, Baumgardner won an eight-round unanimous decision over Vanessa Bradford on August 14th in Orlando, Florida.

Alycia Baumgardner Press Conference Quotes

"My confidence is at an all-time high, I've been preparing for this moment for a very long time in my career and being in boxing for twenty years — this moment everybody dreams of. Here I am, well prepared and ready to give a great fight Saturday night. I'm ready to showcase what women's boxing has been doing and give a different look on what a lot of boxing fans haven't seen from me and from a women's boxing perspective.

"It is a very dangerous fight for Terri, I pose a big threat, again just the experience I have with over 100 amateur fights and many former World Champion's training camps. I've been prepared for these moments, just to go out there Saturday night to really do what I do best and get the win — I will become a two-time World Champion come Saturday night.

"Like I said, my confidence is at 100, there's levels to this game and I believe I've been on that level, but I haven't been given the opportunity to showcase that. Now on Saturday I'll be able to show the many levels of boxing of what I have to offer to the sport and what I have to show Terri Harper Saturday night. She hasn't been in the ring with somebody like me, I'm definitely going to show her and punish her every round."

Harper of Denaby, England is 11-0-1 with six knockouts. The 25 year-old Harper won the WBC Title with a 10-round unanimous decision over Eva Wahlstrom (23-1-2) on February 8, 2020 in Sheffield. Harper has two title defenses with a draw with Natasha Jonas (9-1) and a 9th round stoppage of Katherina Thanderz (13-0) on November 14, 2020 in London.

At Friday's weigh-in, Baumgardner weighed 129.5 lbs; Harper

was 129.4 lbs

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