

# **WBO JR. WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION RUSLAN PROVODNIKOV AND CHRIS ALGIERI TO HOLD TWO NEW YORK PRESS CONFERENCES APRIL 15 AND APRIL 16**

PHILADELPHIA (APRIL 10, 2014)—On Tuesday, April 15th and Wednesday, April 16th, WBO Junior Welterweight champion Ruslan Provodnikov (23-2, 16 K0's) will be hosting two press conferences to announce his much anticipated return to the ring, as he will defend his title against undefeated Chris Algieri (19-0, 8 K0's) that will take place on Saturday, June 14th at the Nassau Coliseum in Uniondale, Long Island.

The fight will headline an HBO Boxing After Dark card and is promoted by Banner Promotions, Top Rank and in association with Joe DeGuardia's Star Boxing.

Provodnikov of Beryozovo, Russia announced his arrival on boxing's big stage with his "2013 Fight of the Year" with Timothy Bradley on March 16th. He then captured the WBO Junior Welterweight title with a 10 round beat down of defending champion Mike Alvarado on October 19, 2013 in Broomfield, Colorado.

Algieri of nearby Huntington, Long Island is ranked number thirteen by the WBO. He will be making his 1st attempt at a world title and earned this opportunity with wins over Bayan Jargal (15-2-3), Jose Peralta (10-1) and Emanuel Taylor (17-1).

The first press conference will take place at 12 noon on Tuesday, April 15th at The Nassau Coliseum to formally announce the fight.

The very next day at 1 PM, Provodnikov & Algieri will be at Tatiana Restaurant / Nightclub in the Brighton Beach section of Brooklyn.

WHO: Ruslan Provodnikov (23-2, 16 KO's)–WBO Jr. Welterweight world champion

Chris Algieri (19-0, 8 KO's)–Undefeated challenger from Huntington.

Seanie Monaghan (20-0, 13KO's)–undefeated light heavy, Long Beach.

Artie Pelullo–CEO Banner Promotions

Joe DeGuardia–President of Star Boxing

WHAT: Press conferences to announce June 14 HBO Boxing After Dark event

WHEN: Tuesday, April 15th at Noon ET

Nassau Coliseum

1255 Hempstead Pike

Uniondale, NY 11553

Wednesday, April 16 at 1 PM ET

Tatiana Restaurant / Night Club

3152 Brighton 6th Street

Brooklyn, NY 11235