

Boxing Returns to Dorchester June 3

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BOSTON (May 18, 2005) – 2000 Ecuadorian Olympian Luis Hernandez (12-2, 6 KOs) headlines “Expressway Jam,” presented by NER Promotions, Friday night, June 3 at Freeport Hall (IBEW) in Dorchester, Massachusetts.

Hernandez is matched against Bahamian welterweight Jerome Ellis (3-2-1, 3 KOs) in the eight-round main event.

“Hernandez is one of the South American fighters NER recently signed,” NER Promotions president Rick Brutti said. “He won on our first show in Lowell, knocking his opponent out with one big punch, and we want to showcase his talents. We also have some good local prospects on this card. ‘Expressway Jam’ is the second in a series of fights we’re promoting this year. Soon we will announce our summer fight schedule.”

In the six-round co-feature, super middleweight Rodney Toney (26-4-4, 16 KOs), now fighting out of Boston, faces veteran Shannon Miller. Toney, cousin of multiple world champion James Toney, is the former California State light heavyweight champion. He has been idle 2½ years, but does hold a win against Charles Brewer, and fought William Joppy to a draw.

The undercard is supported by local prospects such as undefeated Whitman welterweight “Nasty” Nick Morganelli (4-0, 3 KOs), 2004 New England Rookie of the Year; cruiserweight Tyrone Smith (3-0-1, 1 KO), Boston police officer; Wilmington (MA) via Guatemala featherweight Castulo “El Pobeioso” Gonzalez, 2003 Pan-Am Games silver medallist; Irish middleweight John Paul Keane (1-0, 1 KO), fighting out of Dorchester; and Dorchester junior welterweight Mike Bernal (2-1).

Tickets are priced at \$100.00 for (VIP & ringside), \$50.00 (reserved), and \$30.00 general admission. Tickets may be ordered by going to www.ticketweb.com and will be on sale at the doors the night of the show. Doors open at 6 pm., first bout at 7:30 pm.

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