Written by Ralph Gonzalez
Friday, 24 October 2008 19:00

It looks like San Diego promotional company Bobby D. Presents has found a new home at the Four Points Sheraton hotel in San Diego where they held their boxing card titled “Fury in The Ring” before a crowded house on Thursday night.

In the main event, light heavyweight Denis Grachev (5-0, 3 KOs), of Siberia, Russia stopped Thomas Haines (5-5, 2 KOs) with a flurry of powerful rights and lefts. Referee Jose Cobian stopped matters as Grachev landed unanswered punches that left Haines dazed on the ropes.

The end was announced by master of ceremonies, Benny Ricardo, as fifty four seconds of the third round. Grachev, 23, is a former Muay Thai champion who now trains and works out of City Boxing in San Diego.

Haines was game as long as the bout lasted but Grachev controlled the action from start to finish as he repeatedly found a home for his powerful lefts that shook the Vallejo, California fighter.

Lozano upsets Ornelas in a barnburner

Abdon Lozano (3-0) defeated local welterweight Israel Ornelas (8-3, 4 KOs) by unanimous decision in an extremely competitive six round fight. The fight started off evenly as both men traded powerful combinations. A hard right on the beard of the Zacatecas native dropped him for an eight count. There was more intense action in the second round as both men traded shots on an almost even basis with Lozano taking a small advantage.

The third lived up to the card’s billing as both men unleashed furious attacks on each other with Lozano playing the role of the aggressor and taking the round with rapid fire combinations.

Both fighters traded with bad intentions until the last second of the thrilling bout. The well deserved unanimous decision went to Lozano with scores of 57-56 and 58-55 (twice).

Banks decisions Carthron

Heavyweight Yohan Banks defeated Andre Carthron by decision in a fight where a knockdown made the difference.

Banks used his 267 pound frame to maneuver Carthron around the ring. Carthron was listed as 215 lbs. Carthron used his speed advantage effectively as he landed on the inside with some nice uppercuts. Banks used his jab to move forward as he began pressing the action. A hard right dropped Carthron for an eight count. Carthron fought on and was pressing the action by the end of the round. By the fourth round, Banks was gassed and Carthron boxed well to win the round but not the fight.

The decision went to Banks by scores of 39-36 (twice) and 38-37. Banks wins his first pro bout and is now 1-0-1. Carthron drops to 0-2.

Tolmajyan dominates Valenzuela

Gabriel Tolmajyan defeated Arturo Valenzuela by unanimous decision in a super feather weight attraction. The first round was all Tolmajyan as his movement confused the Tijuana based fighter. In the second, Tolmajyan's frenetic and awkward style paid dividends as he landed an assortment of lefts and rights from odd angles. Tolmajyan's footwork and speed was too much in the third as Valenzuela moved forward trying to find his elusive and slick opponent. The Armenian ended the fight by cruising to an easy decision win with scores of 40-36 all across the board. Tolmajyan improves to (4-1). Valenzuela drops to (20-13).

Chatman wins debut

Chris Chatman defeated Mike Alexander by unanimous decision in a middleweight bout. The scores were 40-36 on all three cards. Alexander falls to (1-2-2).

Faces in the crowd: Former middleweight contender James "The Heat" Kinchen, former M.M.A. champion K.J. Noons, former contender Tony "Bazooka" De Luca, middleweight contender Eddie Sanchez and former Archie Moore conqueror, Johnny "The Bandit" Romero.