

Ramos Wins In California Scrap

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Luis Ramos out of Santa Ana, California defeated the very tough Justo Vallecillo by unanimous decision at Roy Englebrecht's "Battle in The Ballroom" in front of a sold out audience at the Irvine Marriott on Thursday night.

Ramos (9-0, 5 KOs) and Vallecillo (5-8, 2 KOs) fought a back and forth battle but Ramos was able to edge out every round as he used his speed and accurate punching to counteract Vallecillo's rugged straight ahead style.

In the first round, Ramos showed a very quick jab which he followed up with some work to his opponent's body. Vallecillo landed a right which Ramos countered with a combination to the head and body. In the second, Ramos showed some nice footwork and attacked the body with accuracy. Vallecillo came forward as the aggressor in the third round while Ramos waited for the counter and landed a nice uppercut just as the round ended.

A four punch combination by Ramos started the fourth as both men took the action to the middle of the ring. Vallecillo was moving forward and making a stance. A good over hand right along with some uppercuts and a left hook to the head momentarily stopped Vallecillo in his tracks but he kept on coming.

In the fifth round, Ramos kept landing several different combinations but it didn't deter the fighter out of San Antonio, Texas. Vallecillo kept stalking but Ramos boxed well and landed punches from the outside.

More back and forth action in the sixth as Ramos landed to the body and momentarily rocked Vallecillo. It was Ramos' jab that controlled the action in the final round as the Orange County fighter finished strong to take away the unanimous decision by scores of 60-53 all the way across.

"I felt good in there. My opponent was very tough and I give him my respect," Ramos said afterwards. "I would grade myself a 7 out of 10 in this performance."

With the win, Ramos won the "Battle in The Ballroom" lightweight championship belt.

Tangaro beats Batey

Johanna Tangaro (2-0) took on Carley Batey (4-4-2) in a four round women's 117 pound fight. Tangaro boxed well and was able to get off quick and effective combinations on Batey who couldn't seem to find the right distance to get her shots off. In the first round, Tangaro came forward and landed some nice body shots and a hard right. Batey fought back like she usually does but Tangaro kept finding a home for her right hand all night. Good action in the second round as both women mixed it up on the inside. It was all Tangaro though as her combinations and footwork led the way to a 40-36 decision from all the judges.

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Lopez halts Muro

Featherweight Abraham Lopez (5-0, 4 KOs) stopped Alvaro Muro (6-11, 5 KOs) in the second round of a six round bout. Lopez came out and landed accurate one, two combinations in the first round as Muro tried to find his elusive target. Lopez took the first by repeatedly landing a hard left hook. Some nice uppercuts and left hooks in the second round by Lopez as he boxed effectively. There were more body shots and left hooks along with some wicked uppercuts which dropped Muro for the count. The fight ended at 2:59 of the second round.

Rios defeats rugged Luque

Ronnie Rios (2-0, 1 KO) defeated Carlos Luque (0-2) in a very good super bantamweight bout between two rough combatants. Rios came out in the first round using a nice jab to move forward. He followed up with some well-placed combinations that Luque took well. Rios was throwing punches with bad intentions all night but Luque was game. There was some excellent back and forth action in the third as both men landed with Rios getting the better of the exchanges by throwing two and three punch combinations. It was the right which kept landing for Rios and his tight defense that made the difference as he took the majority decision. The judge's cards read 40-36 (twice) and 38-38.

Other results:

Angel Magdaleno defeated Ludwin Mondragon in a scorcher of a super flyweight bout. The fight fans showed their appreciation by throwing folded up dollars into the ring. The scores were 39-37 all across.

Garcia crushes Solis

Arquimedez Garcia (1-0-1, 1 KO) of Santa Ana stopped Francisco Solis (0-1) in the second round of a scheduled four round lightweight fight. It was an over-hand right that dropped Solis for the count. The time of the stoppage was 1:42.

Notes:

---Tonight's sellout was the 24th in a row for Englebrecht's promotional company.

---Former "Battle in the Ballroom" alumni and current WBA Super featherweight champion Edwin Valero was presented to the audience.

---Three of the winners on the show, Rios, Lopez and Ramos are all part of The Espinoza Boxing Club and stable-mates of world Champion Israel Vazquez.

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