

He Was Named After Mike Tyson

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NEW YORK (Sept. 8, 2010) — Current English heavyweight champion **Tyson Fury** (11-0, 9 KOs) is eagerly anticipating his

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debut when he takes on unbeaten southpaw

Rich “Super Power

(12-0, 9 KOs) in what is sure to be an exciting night of fights from London’s York Hall on

ShoBox: The New Generation

this

Friday

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Sept. 10

, on

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at 11 p.m. ET/PT (same day delay).

Born prematurely at one pound, Fury has grown into his six-foot-nine frame and status as one of Britain’s most talked about heavyweights.

In the main event, former Commonwealth champion **John O’Donnell** (23-1, 11 KOs) takes on his toughest opponent to date in a 12-round battle against New Jersey’s

Terrence “Heat Cauthen

(35-6, 9 KOs), a 1996 Olympic bronze medalist.

Fury recently answered six questions.

Question: *What would becoming the next British heavyweight champion mean to you?*

Fury: “It would mean everything to me. I’ve said it before, I’m the best heavyweight in Britain, aside from **David Hays**, and I just want the chance to prove it.

Question: *You come from a boxing family on both sides. Have you ever thought about doing something else? What would it be?*

Fury: “I can’t imagine doing anything else. I’m not much good at anything else. I’m a fighter, a boxer. That’s what I’ve always wanted to be and who I am. I grew up around boxing. My grandfather was also a fighter, his brother was a fighter. Most of my cousins, they’re all boxers, as well. My grandfather was a bare-knuckle champion in the UK.

Question: *You were named after **Mike Tyson**? What other boxers did you idolize growing up?*

Fury: “I was born in 1988 and that’s when Tyson was knocking out all those guys. My dad (former professional fighter **John Fury**) was just beginning his career then. He wanted to have a slugger just like Mike Tyson so that’s what he named me. I respect boxing’s history. I’m

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a fan of all the greats,
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Ali, Frazier and Lennox

Question: *Because of your height, do you think you would match up well against **Vitali and Wladimir Klitschko** as opposed to other shorter heavyweights?*

Fury: "I'm six-foot-nine inches and have the world's second longest reach behind **Nikolay Valuev**. It's a definite advantage and will only help me once I face one of the Klitschkos and finally get my shot for a world title.

Question: *When do you think that will be?*

Fury: "I'm leaving that up to my promoters but God willing it will come sooner rather than later. I've been knocking on the door for awhile now and I'm ready to explode onto the scene. Be ready, because I'm coming.

Question: *There are some that have called you over-hyped. How do respond to that?*

Fury: "There will always be many of those who are critical. That's why they're called critics. I don't care what they say. Just watch out for me. I'm not afraid of anyone. My opponents don't want to see me when I get worked up or angry in the ring. It only works to my advantage when I do. That's when I'm at my best.