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In less than a month undefeated welterweight and at worst the third best pound-for-pound fighter in boxing, Floyd Mayweather 41-0 (25), will meet hard punching southpaw Victor Ortiz 29-2-2 (22). And as par for the course Mayweather will be lauded and excoriated for agreeing to fight Ortiz while Manny Pacquiao is out there and willing to meet him under the normal contractual obligations that have stipulated major fights for years. And regardless of whose side you come down on as to why Mayweather and Pacquiao have yet to meet in the ring, the fight is probably a year overdue and many boxing observers are starting to care less and less if it ever happens as time goes by. Not that that will hurt the interest in it once they do agree to fight if that ever happens.

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Give Mayweather credit, he's achieved his goal of wanting to be relevant, and he has. Floyd's navigated his career to the point that almost anything he says or does is news in the boxing community. As most know this column has been highly critical of Mayweather the fighter, but never the manager. As a fighter I have almost as many questions about him as I do answers pertaining to his greatness. Although he's certainly one of the greatest of his era, it's just that I'm not sure how much weight that carries historically being that he's never really fought the best of his generation when they were at or near the top of their skills.

However, I can't be critical of Mayweather for fighting Ortiz. No, I don't expect Victor to score the upset some would love for him to do. And most likely after the third round Mayweather will have relieved Ortiz's guns of their bullets and Floyd will coast to a comfortable decision victory controlling the action most of the way. That being said, if Mayweather isn't going to fight Pacquiao, then who? Compared to Juan Manuel Marquez and Shane Mosley, Mayweather's last two opponents, Ortiz, although not as accomplished or skilled as either, is more formidable and dangerous. Marquez was too old and small for Mayweather and Mosley was too rusty and old. Marquez didn't have the power or confidence to hurt Mayweather even if Floyd stood directly in front of him with his hands down and dared him to. Mosley landed a lottery punch in the second round and looked to age by the minute as the fight progressed after landing his big right hand. On the other hand Ortiz is young being he's just 24 years old. He's also an aggressive southpaw who can really punch and knows his only prayer to beat Mayweather is to let his hands go and throw punches in waves.

Ortiz is 5-1-1 in his last seven bouts and some may look at that as a negative. But he scored the most impressive win of his career in his last fight over the then undefeated WBC welterweight title holder Andre Berto. And when is the last time Mayweather faced a strong aggressive welterweight in his prime who could really punch? It wasn't Carlos Baldomir, Oscar De La Hoya or Shane Mosley. That's for sure. Ortiz has had six of his last seven opponents on the canvas win, lose or draw. That's not accidental power, especially since those knockdowns were against upper-tier fighters in all but one fight. Granted, it'll all come down to whether or not Ortiz can deliver his power against Mayweather. If history is any indicator, that doesn't bode well for Ortiz. Mayweather is a truly great defensive fighter and Ortiz has grown frustrated during some bouts when things weren't going his way. And Floyd's the last fighter in the world Ortiz could show even the slightest bit of doubt or trepidation against.

Again, it's hard to build a case that sees Ortiz really getting to Mayweather, let alone beating him. But at least he has something in his arsenal that gives him a prayer. Maybe not a wing and a prayer, but at least a prayer. And that is it's very easy to assume that if an ancient Mosley who couldn't get out of his own way the night he fought Mayweather, could come within a punch from putting him down, then it's plausible that Ortiz could really hurt Mayweather and get him out. Of course that's not likely, but it's possible. And that's something that couldn't be said of

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either Marquez or Mosley heading into their bout with Mayweather.

During the past few years Mayweather hasn't been overwhelming and his success has been in part due to the fact that he was fighting guys who couldn't exploit his somewhat eroding skills. Remember, he only throws one or two punches at a time and really hasn't had to use his legs much in his last few fights. If Ortiz comes at him, which in reality is the only way he can fight Mayweather, then Floyd will have to open up and probably even have to use his legs. Who knows what they have left? Maybe he hasn't lost much, or perhaps he's only capable of fighting in spurts and will be in peril if he has to use his legs in trying to move away and set Ortiz up. Most forget that neither Marquez nor Mosley pressed Mayweather in his last two fights, nor did they force him to move or break off the exchanges. On paper before the fight Victor Ortiz is more likely to make Floyd do both. And that's why Mayweather's choice of Ortiz to fight before or instead of Pacquiao isn't as bad as him fighting Marquez and Mosley when he did. Not to mention if Mayweather decisively beats Ortiz, he'll be back on top of the boxing world in the eyes of many fans and observers.

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Do you have Victor winning or not Radam G? When the fight was announced you were doing everything but putting up the house that Victor was going to pull off the massive upset. Now your prediction seems to be: "My leading BET is controversial decision gift for Money May." Stop flopping around bro and stick to your guns. Mayweather is going to put on a boxing clinic on September 17th. Too much skills, too much experience. Heck, if Money's hands are feeling good, he might even knock Ortiz out. It all depends on how Ortiz fights him.

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I hear you Brown Sugar, but this is the same Victor Ortiz that was very easy to hit against Lamont Peterson and Andre Berto. Are they on the same level as Floyd in the skill department? If Floyd is even 80% of himself, he wins by UD. Will there be some rocky moments? Yes, I believe that Ortiz's best chance is to jump on Floyd early and take him out before the championship rounds. However, unless Floyd has gotten old over night, it is going to be boxing clinic on September 17th. His legacy isn't cemented in stone yet, but Floyd is one of the best boxers to ever lace up the gloves pound 4 pound. If he beats Ortiz and Pac Man, he will definitely have to be considered a top 5 all-time pound for pound boxer. I like Victor, but his style is made to order for Mayweather, as is Pac Man's. Boxers that come straight forward with marginal defense don't fair to well against Money. The only boxer that I think would have a good shot vs. Mayweather would be Sergio Martinez because he is a boxer/puncher with very good athleticism and a size advantage. However, Mayweather is no fool and that fight will never happen.

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Quit fibbing! Apparently somebody has the big D. I've been 100 percent CLEAR from the holy JUMP! The young lion is going to tear Money May's arse UP! Vicious Victor is gonna whup dat arse. But two or three blind mice may not believe what they see. But the world will see. Money May's best days are in the rear-view mirror. Holla!

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We can't be critical of Mayweather fighting Ortiz. He's the most interesting matchup out there at welterweight besides Pacquiao. However we can't give Mayweather credit either for fighting someone who's perceived to be in their prime and a halfway legitimate threat. Mayweather claims to be the greatest fighter to have ever lived, and it's supposed to be a big deal when he fights someone who we expect will fight back? Victor Ortiz should've been a step DOWN for Mayweather had he spent the last 5 years mixing it up with the likes of Cotto, Margarito and Pacquiao. Ortiz may yet prove his greatness (possibly beginning with an upset over Mayweather), but for now the truth is that nobody gives him much of a chance against Floyd and few have gotten back on the Ortiz bandwagon since he got exposed by Maidana. People are SETTLING for Ortiz-Mayweather. It's not something they've clamored for.

nashingun says:

the real problem lies in the minds of floyd and his fans for thinking ortiz is a good cherry picked fight pretending this is a good match up and deserves a celebration. nah, im not buying that. the very reason many dislikes floyd and this fight is that there is one fight everyone thinks must happen now yet floyd keeps skipping it for the reason of blood testing which is not basically required by boxing yet floyd always portrays that it is to legitimize pac's achievements, but if you dig in deep into his allegations he is primarily basing his facts on A-SIDE METH mythical device that makes pinoy soldiers bulletproof and it has been his iconic masquerade crusade to clean up the sport. fools dig this. they give trash talking the most valuable meaning taking them as textbook for boxing. damn great way to hype a boxer that has ducked big fights all the time. give me a break, ortiz is young and inexperienced. floyd only wants to use this young guy period and everyone digs this! damn, what is wrong with you people? ortiz cant even be labeled A fighter for crying out loud! a level A fighter should fight his level A counterparts but why brewing such fight while one fighter is consistently waiting??????? dont give me the sh*it pac needs to take blood testing all the way, he recently said yes! but why is floyd keep fishing for khan instead of pac after ortiz? ducking again?

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I'll be there RG... I'll have my name printed on my T-shirt,... just don't start no stuff cause I'll have my bodyguards with me(they've already been tipped off about your butterfly knives)...Lol.... yeah Powel, and Ouma are somewhat faded from their former glory. But each of these guys are still servicable enough and possess the required level of skill to be useful against Mayweather... I actually think Latimor would be on equal footing with Ortiz at 154lbs. Powell and Ouma are probably a notch below or equal to Ishe Smith which is no insult. In fact you know when sparring is going good when 2 of them (Powell and Ouma) are already announcing their next fights)... Just like Ali,.. Floyd knows how to get the best work out of his sparring partners while simultaneously helping them believe in themselves. These guys are far better than the punchbags who were hired for the Mosely fight.

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After watching pac fight mosley do u think his better days is over?

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Naku! Nakakatawa ka, talaga! Hehehehe! That was indeed lol. Sayang! I won't be at the

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September MM-VVO dance. I'll be in the P-Island on that night. This will be the first Money May bout that I did see live in years.

Ali, settle down, dude! Money May's best day are in the rear view mirror. Accept it, bro! Nothing last forever. Your arse will one day be dust, as I will be probably a bit long after you. And sparringmates do get the combatants READY, ali. So do BLAZING hateful retort. Sparring makes big different. It is an indicator where you stand. Don't be BLIND by your hate. I read your spit on the bias boxing site, Blackman. Holla!

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It is extremely hard to compare fighters from different eras because the brothers from different eras usually fought well over a 100 fights in their careers and today's fighters are lucky to have over 50 fights on their resume. Back in the golden days there was one belt and all the promotional politics that exist today weren't prevalent, but the mob was very active in boxing during careers of some of the pound 4 pound greats. When establishing a pound 4 pound list I look at how a fighter's skills would transfer and stack up in any era. Skill wise Mayweather jr. could have fought in any era and in my personal opinion he is better in the SKILL department than the fighters that you mentioned in your post. He is already a pound 4 pound great SKILL wise in my opinion, but he has to solidify it with two or three more career definining wins. I personally hope he gets out of the game after he beats Pac Man and retires undefeated and gets into promoting fights full-time. I think he would give De La Hoya and Arum a run for their money if he wanted to.

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It is too hard and complex who he would have beaten as far as all-time greats, but I like his chances against all of the all-time greats from featherweight to welterweight, but Sugar Ray Robinson. I have repeatedly argued on this site that Sugar Ray Robinson at welterweight was the best pound 4 pound boxer of all-time, but I know that others disagree about that. If you have followed Mayweather skills you will notice a couple of things about the way his style has changed. He is more naturally suited to being a defensive orientated counter puncher, but early on in his career he used to be a lot more aggressive and assertive offensively, thus the 61% knockout percentage (41 wins, 25 by KO), which isn't a bad percentage over all. However, he was forced to change his style somewhat because of his brittle hands. Everybody knows that Floyd has brittle hands, which has caused him to refrain from putting punches together too aggressively in fear of breaking his hands. Some have claimed that he injects himself with a pain killer that is legal in Las Vegas in order to fight. The fact that his hands became brittle during the middle stages of this career has also contributed to his non-aggressiveness, but aggressive fighters such as Ricky Hatton and Victor Ortiz force him to put punches together and take risk. A completely healthy Floyd Mayweather at his physical peak beats most of the all-time greats from his weight divisions in my opinion. Also, you should be ashamed of yourself

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mentioning Briscoe in the same breath as Mayweather jr., no respect to Briscoe!

Radam G says:

SRD, are you an eye witness and even a film witness of Sugar Ray Robinson at welterweight? I didn't think so. Just about everybodeee and dey momma, who saw Sugar Ray Robinson at welterweight -- "when no films were taken of him" -- say that he was great, but not the exaggerated greatness that so many ear witness claim. Man, anybody can hear some syet and claim anything. But if you were not there, and there is no film documentary of it, than you don't really know. You just have to have faith like a lot of religious BULL. Many powers that be have made Sugar Ray Robinson into a demigod. As they did -- for awhile -- with baseballer Jackie Robinson, who was the right man for the moment, not the best one. Hero making is an American sneaky craft. Now was George Washington the best, or the right one for the moment? And what about Paul Revere -- not even his name -- ?

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I agree with you to a degree. Jackie Robinson wasn't the best negro player, but he had the right temperment that was needed to break the color barrier. You are also correct in that there isn't any film on SRR from his welterweight days. I trust my 69 year old father, my grandfather (RIP), and others that lived during his time period that got to see him fight in his prime. I also look at how well he did as a middleweight during the end of his physical prime and come to the conclusion that he was probably a beast during his 20s. However, with that being said, I'm pretty sure that there were cats during that time period that would have given him a run for his money. As you probably know, there were black fighters that the great Jack Johnson dodged during his era, but this is common in boxing. Sugar Ray Robinson was very business orientated and would pull out of a fight in a heart beat if the "risk and reward" didn't add up right; I can't say that I blame him. Floyd Mayweather brags about being 41-0, but when SRR retired for the first time his record was a sick 131-3-1-1. You have to admit, that is pretty amazing! His all around skills are what make him the best in my opinion (great power, great chin, good defense, great ring generalship, great boxing IQ). Sugar suffered from severe ring rust and had seen his best days in his comeback fight against Ralph Tiger Jones. At welterweight and in his prime, Robinson would have knocked Camacho out in 6 rounds, come on bro! This is the same Camacho that got destroyed by Oscar De La Hoya and the one dimensional Felix Trinidad? I love Manny, but he couldn't handle SRR size, ring generalship, and granite chin. For as good as Whitaker was defensively, he was once knocked on his a\$\$ by Roger Mayweather, so what would a flush hit on the chin from Sugar do to him? Ray Leonard was knocked down by far less dangerous punchers than SRR, so imagine what one of the best finishers in the history of boxing would have done to him. Out of all the fighters you mentioned I think Floyd Mayweather jr. would have had the best chance against him, but he wouldn't be able to keep SRR off of him over 12 rounds, let alone the 15 rounds of old. Holla!

amayseng says:

It is an intriguing matchup for sure. Young lion against a future hall of fame veteran.

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will the long layoff finally catch up to floyd?

will the late stage career age of 34, closer to 35 by fight time play a part?

will ortiz become frustrated and give up as many people saw him do at 140 at 22 years old?

honestly, i think floyd bit off more than he can chew here. ortiz is young, comes in 10 lbs bigger than floyd. i think activity and strength wear floyd down as he bends right while ortiz lunges with punches coming over top, thats tiring for floyd.

another thing, floyds power is sharp, but it is not razor sharp and it is not thudding like madaina.

i dont think floyd can hurt victor, i think floyd wants victor to miss and wear out but i dont think that happens.

if victor follows the correct gameplan he can win on points thro activity alone, not landing a ton, but activity is awarded by judges and floyd is a pot shotter.

vic needs to stay to his right, let floyd roll and bend right then vic needs to step to the right again and bang that body, clean or not, bang that body hit floyds left kidney all night

people think ortiz lunging will hurt him, it wont it will help him.

notice when zab lunged and khan came over the top all night pushing his weight onto a bent over zab, one zab couldnt counter, two it wore him out carrying khans weight all night.

ortiz can win, if he follows the right game plan.

floyd is a phenom, but you cant disrespect the sport like this forever, he is getting older and we all noticed his footwork and reflexes detoriate, ala shane mosley round two.

look what happened to roy jones once age caught up to him

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Matthew says:

I agree with much of SRD's assessment. I trust the judgment and knowledge of those that saw Robinson in his prime as a welterweight, and his numbers are staggering, considering a lot of welterweights wouldn't fight him and he had to fight a lot of bigger men (LaMotta and several others). I think Mayweather's defensive abilities would keep him in the fight against Robinson, but he'd have no prayer of winning. Pacquiao is way too small. In his prime at welterweight, Leonard was never knocked down and was only seriously hurt once (against Duran). His smarts and skill would have kept him competitive against Robinson, but I think he would lose a decision. Hearns would be kayoed by the original Sugar Ray in an exciting fight. Whitaker would be stopped in the middle rounds by Robinson. Camacho? I'm not even going to dignify that one. Like Radam said, everyone's got an opinion but it should be based on logic and evidence.

Condor says:

Well said Matthew. Check out Ray Robinson's February of 1943:

2/5/43: Jake LaMotta - L UD

2/19/43: California Jackie Wilson - W MD

2/26/43: Jake LaMotta - W UD

Two Hall-of-Famers fought each other [B][U]twice in 3 weeks[/U][B]. Unreal. Ray Robinson is respected here, for the most part. There's some hatred, but just consider the source.

amayseng says:

what about hagler vs ray robinson? i think hagler would have the best chance of winning with duran a close second. RR would win both bouts, but id say hagler would win 1/5. that is just how good RR was.

floyd would have no chance of winning, although his defense would carry him to a decision loss.

Radam G says:

Wow! We are getting close to an agreement about reality. But remember Sugar Ray Robinson was also knocked down by feather-punching pugilists. You can read it in the result column of his record on either Boxrec or Fightfax. Even better, you can get the FBI file on the Sugarman and learn all types of jive. Also the Sugarman got some controversial decisions on his way to a 122-1 record. Plus he did fight some didn't-have-a-prayer-of-a-chance opponents, who were slow as turtles on a fast day of snells. But it is all good. I give him his props. But a lot of boksing cats and trainers, who saw him in live in living color, are impressed that he was great, but say that he was just a random selection for the greatest of all times by the then politically powerful Ring Magazine, which was "looking to make a Jackie Robinson's baseball-like statement. [In those days, it was good to be a Robinsons.] The magazine not has wide-swing Harry Greb as the P4P of all times. Just go to the Ring Magazine internet site and see it for yourself.

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Nothing is wrong with his ducking of opponents. It was and always has been a part of the game. I salute the Sugarman for having the brains to do it and to be his own man. He, no doubt, just as Jack Johnson, Jack Dempsey, Willie Pep, Rocky Marciano, Sugar Ray Leonard, Money May and Da Manny, was business-first smart. As the saying goes it is the hurt bitnezz of prize fighting not pride fighting. Ducking ain't a sin, and it ain't bad. I was that my idol GOAT Muhammad Ali had duck a few fighters, Henry Cooper, Ernie Shaver, Doug Jones, Ron Lyle and Larry Holmes. These brain-damaging suckas, IMHO, are the main types that have caused the tragic Parkinson's Syndrome. Holla!

Radam G says:

A DOUBLE WOW, Matthew, my man! HOW many southpaws did you see Sugar Ray Robinson fight, even on film? That's what I thought! The ones that you did see, they kicked his butt. Dude couldn't handle a southpaw to help his life. Hector "Macho" Camacho is one of the fastest fighters in the history of the game -- southpaw or conventional. The Sugarman woulda had a nightmare trying to find him, since 95 percent of the Sugarman's opponents came straight to him. [WTF! Jake LaMotta was a human-standing-in-front-of-you punching bag with arms and a heart beat. Every moving target fighter that the Sugarman fought ended in a controversial win for the Sugar one, and those decisions were booed like five mad teddy bears. Just holla as the history.

Do me a favor and research the Sugarman's results with southpaws -- slow ones. Nobody can kayos Hector. How many times has he been kayoed? ZERO, versus one for SRR! How many times has he been knocked down, versus all the times that SRR was down? How many times has he been cut versus all the times the Sugarman bleed? Macho Time has not been given props by hating fans, not by boxing experts. You may want to check out the class of fighters that the Macho beat and fought. The Macho Man went up in weight and fought in the blazing hot sun, and kayoed his over-BIG opponent. The Sugarman got that arse tapped and dragged by his over-BIG opponent Joey Maxim. Thank God for each his own opinion, because the experts and fighters are fairer than fans and fanfaronades. Personal hatred of a man should have JACK NUFFIN' to do with his skills. I don't like Larry "Reminds me of a ho named Mary" Holmes, but I will never deny that he was one of the greatest heavies that ever lived, though quite contrary was that Larry. Holla!

brownsugar says:

Awesome research Condor... by all opinions that matter, Ray Robinson was one of the most exceptional talents to ever step inside the squared circle. Ahead of his times and a trend setter according to my dad who grew up watching him from the beginning. I need no other opinions.

RG,.....Hector had potential, but once he had the title,.. he let it fritter away by putting on some of the most safety first, scary performances in the history of the sport... no longevity,.. Then Coke got a hold of him and he made a career out of calling out aged retired fighters like Leonard... Hector was one of the biggest wastes of potential,... nobody talks about him today because there's not that much to remember,.. when is the last time you ever saw a "Hector Comacho Marathon" on ESPN?

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Condor says:

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Ditto Sir, ditto! I heard it from my Dad too.

Here's a welterweight fighting a bonafide middleweight -on the larger man's terms- twice in 3 weeks. And not a ho-hum middle, Jake LaMotta.

Off to my fantasy football draft (feel like a kid on Christmas morning)! Silly but hey, just love it. Peace.

Radam G says:

B-Sug, what you say about Hector is often said about Aaron "Hawk Time" Pryor, but he was one of the greatest fighters of all times. And Sugar Ray Leonard and a lot of other fighters didn't want any part of him. The experts know about Hector and Aaron and rate them very HIGH! Nothing else matters. Fans are always going to be bias about anything that they favor -- real or imagine. I wouldn't expect anything less. Holla!

Radam G says:

A lot of dads are big liars. I heard some use to walk throught five miles of snow with holes in the soles of their shoes to school. And a lot of those suckas done this and that, but when you go to the likes of Beenverified dot com on them, you'll see a lot of missing syet. Then they will say that their jivy past life "is TOP SECRET," and a lot of stuff is hidden for security reasons. The marginalization of nostalgia is a metaphoric cancer of humanity. I'm reminded of how some don't see what is in the mirror, because of the power of being told this or that. People accept ear witnesses, because things can be adjusted to their liking. They despise eye-witnesses and films because all is there to contradict them and expose the reality of the actuality. It is a known fact that fathers are likely to lie more to their sons than to a stranger, a hobo or a ho. The dads will even say, "I swear to God," while fibbing that arse off. Life is a bytch, then you die. To each his on opinion, as well as his dirt, water or ashes nap. Holla!

Matthew says:

Radam, I don't doubt that Robinson may have had some trouble with southpaws. I also don't doubt that he may have been the beneficiary of a few close decisions (if you fight as many times as he did, there were bound to be a few controversial decisions). Yes, Robinson was stopped once while Camacho was not, but the heat was responsible for that stoppage, not Joey Maxim. None of that changes my opinion that Robinson was simply the greatest figher ever. And speaking of Camacho, I think brownsugar said it best when he said "Macho Man" was a colossal waste of potential and talent. He ceased being an exciting stick-and-move fighter and became a shameless runner and holder after Edwin Rosario rocked him in '86 (not to mention a

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big pain in the ass). Pryor squandered his talent on drugs as well, but at least he had a signature win against an all-time great in the fight of the decade (more than I can say for Camacho). While Aaron Pryor was a great fighter, I'm tired of hearing from some people (Pryor included) how Ray Leonard ducked Pryor. First of all, they didn't compete in the same weight class, so it's not like he was a mandatory challenger. Second, Leonard wrote in an article about his first retirement that he had signed contracts to fight both Pryor and Arguello after the aborted Roger Stafford fight in May of '82. Mike Trainer supports this statement. Doesn't sound to me like Leonard was ducking "The Hawk." It's too bad they didn't ever fight; it would have been exciting. I think Leonard would have stopped Pryor late.

Radam G says:

Just go and view it for yourself. I saw a southpaw straight kick the Sugarman's butt on film. He also couldn't handle bigger fighters. Joe Calzaghe coulda kayoed him just as Joey Maxim did. And don't give me that very-hot-day jive. It was also a hot day for Joey Maxim. The Sugarman was not suffering because of the heat. His arse was suffering because of toxins and food poisoning. This is what happens when a dumba\$\$ drink cow blood. He shoulda examined the blood first. You know that types of jive can be found in human blood, than why not cow blood? It is all good. Mythology is a big thing among humans. Holla!

Radam G says:

OMG! C'mon Matthew! You are getting COCKY and now you are spittin' JABBERWOCKY!

Let me remind you that Sugar Ray Robinson and Joey Maxim were not in the same weight division. And the Sugarman was no mandatory, but they fought.

Sugar Ray Leonard had not fought in the same weight division with Marvelous Marvin Hagler. And the Sugarman was not a mandatory, but they fought. And SRL had been outta da game for more than three years.

Money May and Big Money Oscar fought for a light middleweight belt when MM hasn't ever fought at that weight and wasn't a mandatory.

Vicious Victor O was no mandatory for Andre Berto, and had never fought as a welterweight and was not ranked, but VVO fought and won the WBC belt and now has a shot at Money May.

Way, way, way back in da day, when my grandmomma was a toddler, my late great, great Uncle Cefy, aka Ceferino Garcia, tangled with "Homicide" Henry Armstrong for the middleweight title when Armstrong was "holding three other" ones, and was not a mandatory, and had never fought at middleweight. But my ole uncy halted da homiciding of Hank.

Bottomline, boxing history, which my extended family has been a part of for over 120 years, doesn't support your thesis about why SRL not fighting Aaron "Hawk Time" Pryor because of different weight division and not being a mandatory contender. I was an eye witness of Hawk Time being too much for SRL in sparring sessions in the amateurs and pros. [Besides, SRL was

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another Sugarman who had a problem with short-stature, mobile, pugilists. Just holla all of his losses.] And the game is prize fighting, not pride fighting. The match was not made because Hawk Time was too dangerous for SRL and not enough pay.

Forget book jive and memorylane-public sh*t. It's a lot of backroom spit that goes on in this hurt bitnezz that those who are not in the know with a need to know won't ever know. Thanks for your response. Much RESPECT! Holla!

Matthew says:

Radam,

I respect your opinions even when I disagree with them, as you are a knowledgeable fight fan. However, I think you may be missing my point. Yes, Robinson and Maxim fought, and yes, they were in different weight classes. However, if that fight never materialized, I'm not sure the general public would have said that one fighter ducked the other. If Leonard and Hagler had never fought, I don't think anyone would have said that Leonard ducked Hagler or vice versa. Everyone knows how stung Hagler was when he unknowingly showed up to watch Leonard announce his retirement in November of 1982, and how much we wanted the payday that Leonard represented. As far as Pryor is concerned, I don't doubt that he gave Leonard some trouble in sparring sessions. But you and I both know that sparring with headgear and bigger gloves is not the same as fighting a real fight. I didn't say it would be easy, but Leonard would have stopped Pryor late. Yes, Duran was shorter in stature and aggressive, as well as very good defensively, and he beat a prime Sugar Ray. If Leonard lost that fight by the narrowest of margin while fighting Duran's fight (and Duran couldn't have fought any better that night), it stands to reason that he beats Duran if he boxes (as he did in the second fight). As for Leonard's other two losses, they came when he was WAY past his prime, and they came against fighters that fought nothing like Pryor. Like I said, Mike Trainer has supported Leonard's statement that he had a signed contract to fight Pryor in 1982.

brownsugar says:

all pretense and analogies aside... Leonard was one of the most pure finishers in the business. EVER. Sure , age and bad habits break any boxer down,.. but his star burned brighter than most any fighter who ever lived. Leonard made the destruction of a fighter more compelling than Opera or Ballet... his epic signature on the sport revolutionized it for those who had the talent... Matthew I have to agree...

Radam G says:

I always agree to disagree. For one thing, suckas in da game lie like a muthafibber. If you are not in da know or a need to know, ya may not ever know. Rationalizing is GREAT, but sparring is a guideline to a likely final line 90 percent of the time. Boxers know. SRL would have had pure hell with Hawk Time and would have probably lost by KAYO. There is no "signed contract," between the combatants or it would be in the nowadays boxing auctions and would sell for a ton of money. Don't take my word for it, just do your on deep research. Da hurt bitnezz is full of

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optical illusion and mass confusion. And there are HARD lies and a lot of crying eyes. The fog of the game is just like the weapon of mass construction in Iraq and Pinoys being on A-side meth that help us to walk through bullets and sh*t. bullsh*tology BIG TIME. Holla!

mortcola says:

Radam, I like you. Even when you're hallucinating. Maybe even more then. The idea that Pryor would have had much success at all against Leonard, physically, stylistically, technically, is whacky. Prime Leonard would have made him pay again, again, again, and, as one of the true killer finishers of the modern era, with both every bit of Mayweather's speed and precision and defense, plus combinations and a sheer love of inflicting pain and unconscious, would have put him OUT. It would have ended up a mismatch. There is no scenario I can see where that is not the case.

mortcola says:

Imagine all the successes a slow, over the weight, aging Alexis Arguello had against Pryor, except by a bigger, stronger, exponentially faster and more elusive fighter in Leonard, with the power of a full-fledged welterweight. it would have been brutal. Duran win over Leonard came from a precision death machine, with an iron chin and a far more well-honed boxing-punching toolkit than Pryor's. Pryor was very good, with crazy perseverance and volume mixed in, but he was not in Duran's league as a fighter. And, as said above, Leonard fought that prime, pumped Duran to the limit and took everything he had.

Radam G says:

The world said the same about Cassius Clay having a chance against Sonny "Night Train" Liston. The mortcola of that day told the greatest pound for pound pugilistic guru of all times -- Angie Dundee -- "I like you, even when you're hallucinating..." We know what time it was -- a night wreck -- when the Louisville Lips got a hold of Night Train. Angie D knew what it was going to be because he went throught the same jive before Sugar Ray Robinson dance with Carmen Basilio. And again before Rev. [Big] George Foreman dance with Michael Moorer. Talk is like rotting meat, and what could been can never be beat. But it is up to you if you want to eat. So you -- and your cyberspace gang of _____ -- have an edge on that one. But I saw Hawk Time whup da hebejeebeez outta SRL, Howard Davis, Tommy Hearns and James Kenty ton of times in the amateurs and pros. [I've seem boxing stuff that you and your C-gangstas couldn't even dream.] Pro boksing is BIG prizefighting business FOR the BIG SHOTS, not the small ones with a lot of made-up man pride of pridefighting.

Sugar Ray Leonard and a lot other boxers -- Sugar Ray Robinson, Larry Holmes, Tommy Hearns, Floyd Mayweather, Julio Cesar Chavez, Rocky Marciano, Joe Frazier, Muhammad Ali, Jack Jackson, Jack Dempsey, Joe Louis, etc., etc., including YOUR'S TRULY, did not fight certain fighters who could toast our arses because it was not money SMART or career savvy. [Nobody gives a sh*t what a fan thinks or will make up in the future. Those are certain types of styles and sizes that give every single fighter a problem. And nobody is going to tell fans that.] The fact that cyberspace has given mad WORD input to fanfaronades and that they can bytch,

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become pseudoexperts and make-believe syet ain't my bitnezz or concern. But trust ME or don't! Every single TSS SCRIBE who was in that squared jungle or in the hurt business long term know dat I syet not anybody. Besides, the scribes are always hollering at me and saying how naive fans and fanfaronades "like mortcola would not have a clue about boxing reality and actuality if it were under [his] eyelid." C'mon, man! It is all right not to know everything, besides you don't. Just as I don't know what is in the minds and hearts of the naive, or even fakers and posers and dumb-a\$\$ cloners for that concern.

As that saying goes, "the truth always sounds crazy to the know nothings and those not in the know and the naive and arrogant." Bottomline, mortocla, you are speculating from a fan's -- or maybe an agitator/instigator's -- point of view, and I'm doing it from HARD boksing science and personal knowledge. The young SRL was very, very lacking in the the mental department in his earlest, prime career. And we -- in da game -- know that mental fitness is 80 to 85 percent of what get you the wins. A young George Foreman was mentally weak and double fudged up. He could not ever have done what the older, mature, religiously, mentally tough Rev. George Foreman did to Michael "Double M" -- Master of Misery" Moorer. A young SRL was likewise. DAT young, messed-up sucka woulda never beat Marvelous Marvin Hagler. FYI, mortcola, those who may become great boxers are protected like stock and precious minerals. Too bad that you are just in the fringe existence of the game. It is so much that you just don't know, and every time that you post, you prove it. And the writers in this pugilistic Universe and no other ones are going to sit you down and school you. Besides, you won't believe them anyway. I've met your type -- the know-it-all, and when you don't know, bluff-it-all -- a million times in my short life. Wow! Don't you luv this cyberspace world? It is da BOMB! Holla!

Radam G says:

Hawk Time would kayoed Fists of Iron just as he done a time or two in sparring wars. Hawk Time was unestimated by the fans and fanfaronades. Holla!

Radam G says:

As Uncle Roger says, "More people don't kno' sh*t 'bout boksing!" But they talk a good game of bullsh*tology. Holla!

Matthew says:

I have to agree, Mort. Pryor was a very good, if not great fighter, but I don't see him kayoing Duran. And you brought up a good point, if he was hit cleanly with numerous right hands by Arguello, who was ten pounds above his optimal fighting weight and just past his prime, what would a prime Leonard have done to him? Aside from Arguello and Cervantes, his other opponents during his prime were largely unremarkable. Still, he was a joy to watch, even if his "Hawk Time" chant got to be incredibly annoying.

Radam G says:

Wow! I'm so glad that I was and am an eyewitness of the actual greatest pugilists of the 1970s,

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1980s, 1990s, 2000s and now 2010s. Otherwise I'd be one psychological blinded muthasucka. Being born in da game, I just cannot see what dreamers, fanfaronades and idol-worshippers see. Holla!

mortcola says:

Hey Rad - Do you see how almost all your opinions are controversial ones, which rely on claiming that you have special knowledge and the other guy is nothing but a wannabe, or naive, or whatever? Meanwhile, I don't think Pryor would have had much success against a mature SRL or Duran.

Radam G says:

Mortcola, opinions and facts are always "controversial ones, which rely on claiming that [one] have...knowledge," PERIOD! Nevermind "special." Sarcasm will never get you da hook up, book up or look up. I know what I know, and I'm not special or entitled -- just LUCKY and probably GIFTED with the right connections to get the upclose and personal detections! I'm where I am, just as the father and his two sons that you always see on television in the ring at every darn bout. Now THEY also have the inside "knowledge" of all the sh*t going on in da game. And you will not dispute that, because you're been seeing them like a muthaseer, unless you need a seeing dawg. Well, da pops and his sons are in plain sight and I'm hiding in plain sight. C'mon, cokacola -- I mean mortcola, CHILLAX! Don't be hatin,' MAN! It's all good. You cannot know syet, unless you are in or around da syet. Keep watching dat tube, ya might spot me gettin' on my hiding in plain sight. Hehehehehe! Life is FUN like muthajoke! I'm laughing so hard that I'm about to choke. Holla!

mortcola says:

Nope. No hatin'. I've been around, fights, fighters, and gyms for 29 years. Champs, refs, broadcasters, trainers. My opinions are based in experience too. I have no problem with your disagreement or your opinions. Why I'm here, other people to bounce off. But I will always call you out on placing yourself ABOVE, and putting others BELOW to achieve that illusion. Now, keep the sizzle coming.

Radam G says:

Wow! Cockycola, your optical illusions and mass confusion are in full swing. One knows when you know because you woulda, coulda and shoulda saw it for yourself. Da game ain't simple and melodramatic as you like to claim. Come after me all day. It is all good. I'm where I am. I see what I see. I know what I know. I have no need to be ABOVE any reader or clutterer. Da game is what it is. I'm blessed. TSS scribes back me up 99 percent of the time with your copy. Enjoy the ride and the reading. And bring it on. And just because your self-denial jealousy deludes you into saying something, it doesn't make it SO! If I were like you claim, I would put everything about me in this Universe. Danggit! I see some of the old boxers and coaches have not come back to this new TSS. Holla!

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Radam G says:

Take all the potshots that turn you on. They cannot crack the truth. Holla!

mortcola says:

Don't need to ignore you. I like you.

Radam G says:

WTF! My momma told me that I was a darn teddy bear and instead of peeps ignoring me, they like me. Danggit! Sometimes you just cannot find haters, and those darn mommas always end be ditto! Hehehehehehe! Holla!