

Props to the Tweeting #BoxingHeads For CJ Ross Removal

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Congratulations, Tweeting #BoxingHeads. You did it, you moved the dial. You pushed the powers that be to do the right thing, and moved the sport of boxing in a more positive direction.

As first reported by [Steve Carp of the Las Vegas Review Journal](#), the notorious CJ Ross put herself on an indefinite leave of absence from judging, emailing Nevada Athletic Commission executive director Keith Kizer to tell him she will be "taking some time off from boxing."

Ross recently drew fire for deeming Timothy Bradley the victor over Manny Pacquiao in their 2012 clash, this despite Pacquiao edging Bradley in punches landed, 253 to 159, according to CompuBox.

Ross, on Saturday night, showed a similar disdain for a volume disparity, and the same wicked contrarian streak. She tabbed Canelo Alvarez equal with Floyd Mayweather (*seen above in Hogan photo, wearing a "CJ Ross said what???" expression on his face*), six rounds to six.

Her handing over a 114-114 scorecard, despite Floyd's outlanding the Mexican 232 to 117, resulted in howls of derision, her name trending on Twitter, a lingering stench of hangover and embarrassment...and finally her act of self semi-immolation.

Kizer defended Ross' card to USA Today on Sunday, saying, "Just because a judge's scorecard ends up even, doesn't mean the judge necessarily thought the fight as a whole was even. It could be that a judge has six rounds for each fighter, but the six rounds she gave fighter A, she gave them to him easily and the six rounds she gave fighter B, they were really close rounds. That's pretty much how it was last night." That's all well and good; one can make the case that

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there is something slightly commendable, perhaps, about Kizer sticking up for a beleaguered soul. But the sport deserves better, and the fighters deserve better, than such efforts from Ross, or other miscreants who see fights and score them in a manner which defies common sense and the ably visioned. (And let's not hold just Vegas judges' feet to the fire. Arizona boxer Ray Beltran would tell you he thinks Carlos Ortiz Jr. needs his eyes checked after deeming Scotland's Ricky Burns the winner against Beltran on Sept. 7 in Scotland. Before Ross rose (plummeted?) to this platform of ineptitude, a Texan named Gale Van Hoy's name was the standard bearer for vocational incompetence in this realm.)

The man above Kizer, Commission chair Bill Brady, took Kizer to the woodshed on Tuesday, when he told Carp, "I apologized to the (Nevada) governor for any embarrassment we may have caused the state. He made me aware of his concerns. He wants things done right. There will be more questions asked, and Keith will be held accountable for his recommendations. We won't be a rubber stamp anymore."

By and large, humans, who fall pray to inertia, typically are moved to substantial actions only when forced, often because of negative circumstance. How many jailbirds find God in their cell, while contemplating a life term? It may be that the Nevada Commission and Ross would have leaped into action without the social media explosion, but put it this way...it certainly didn't hurt that so many boxing fans who know our sport and the fighters deserve better than CJ Ross delivered one time too many, refused to accept the egregious travesty, and made vocal their feelings.

Props, again, to the Tweeting #BoxingHeads.

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Hop says:

Hey! Maybe with enough oars in the water you really [B][I]can[/I][B] turn the Queen Mary after all!

Radam G says:

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Kizer, with his off the take-and-crooky arse will be on her heels. Dude is foul and _____!
_____! Holla!

Radam G says:

Looks like Jesus Has Walk Into Sin City, as he did Helldom for a heavenly cause. Hehehe!
Holla!

brownsugar says:

When Leadership (Keith Kizer) supports Ross's negligence as if it's something worthy of defending then its a clear sign there's a problem with the entire business culture at the Nevada Commission. Especially when Ross can repeat her buffoonery multiple times and still be on Kieth Kizers good side. Something stinks all the way to the governors office. So what Ross walked away... How long will that be? Until the next Mega-Event at the MGM? Its not like judges get to work every day .. or even every month. So "walking away" is just a token gesture at best. How about something more concrete like probation...suspension...or termination! Termination would be the best resolution for boxing and the rebuilding of Nevada's seemingly corrupt commission starting with Kizer and Ross.

amayseng says:

we need a new crop of judges
new requirements
ages like 30-58.

must have experience as a BOXER!!!!!!!

Bernie Campbell says:

Whose gonna account for turning thumbs down on Manny for standing up like a man! And expressing opinion on the Sanctity of marriage!

Radam G says:

C.J. Ross won't be back. She's gone. Holla!

amayseng says:

bernie campbell in the house!

ditto that bcamp

The Shadow says:

[QUOTE=amayseng;36935]we need a new crop of judges

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TOTALLY agree!! I actually think it would be a good way for fighters to have employment after their fighting days. After all, who knows more than them??

Excellent idea.

Radam G says:

Sorry! But a lot of boxers will be big T for terrible. Styles make fights. And many boxers favor certain styles. So the cheat and fix will be on because B-Hop favored "slip intercity black style of fighting." The Latins would favor pressure-cooking styles. The Asians and Italians roll with volume punching with Willie Pep-like moves and defense. The Europeans would favor standing straight-up and stiff-like styles.

One doesn't have to play the game to judge fair and well at it. The best judges will be the technology style of accurate counting of scoring punches that the G-Fam and associates have invented. The nanochips installed in the gloves that don't judge just count, based on the rules and instructions of counted strikes. Holla!