



"WORLD CHAMPIONS-MADE IN AMERICA" ANDRE WARD VS. CHAD DAWSON

WARD AND DAWSON MEDIA DAY QUOTES

OAKLAND, CA; LAS VEGAS, NEVADA (August 23, 2012) - Undefeated WBA, WBC and RING super middleweight world champion **Andre**

"SOG" Ward

(25-0, 13 KOs) and WBC and RING light heavyweight titleholder

"Bad" Chad Dawson

(31-1, 17 KOs) both held open media workouts this week from their respective training camps in Oakland, CA and Las Vegas, NV. Media attendees were given the opportunity to watch training and ask the fighters questions about their upcoming September 8 "

WORLD CHAMPIONS-MADE IN AMERICA."

SPECIAL NOTE: Both fighters will participate in an international media conference call next Tuesday, September 28 starting at 3:00pm ET/Noon PT.

Quotes From Ward-Dawson Media Day

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Andre Ward Media Day Quotes:

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What's it like to fight back in Oakland?

"It's always great to be home. A lot of people think it's a given when you fight at home, like it's an easy thing, but it's not. There's a lot of pressure, but good pressure when you fight at home to defend the house. I consider Oracle Arena my house and the Bay Area as a whole my house. I'm doing what I always do and I'm preparing well and I want to put on a great show for the fans.

What motivates you as a champion?

"What motivates me is first and foremost, my understanding that God gave me a something. When God gives you a gift and a talent you can be whatever. I'm a natural competitor that loves to compete and I'm striving for greatness. I don't believe I'm there yet and I got a lot of work to do. God willing I have a few more years left in the game but I want to be great. And if one day I could be considered great, and have a hall of fame career, I want to look back and say it's a job well done."

What are your thoughts on fighting Chad Dawson?

"It's a tough fight for both men. Not just me dealing with Chad Dawson, but Chad Dawson dealing with me and vice versa. That's the beauty of the fight and it sells itself because you got two young guys who are well decorated in terms of our accomplishments, and we're literally putting it all on the line at the peak of our careers. I don't think anyone can ask for anything more than that."

Chad Dawson Media Day Quotes:

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Chad Dawson Talks About Fighting Andre Ward

Can you tell us how you're feeling physically, spiritually and mentally with just a few weeks away?

"I'm in great spirits. The weight is coming off, as you can see I'm real slim (smiling). Mentally, physically everything is on point. I'm excited to be in a big fight like this. I'm excited that the fight is approaching fast. Everything is just great right now"

You've been in big fights before, is this fight with Andre Ward at the top?

"I would say this is at the top because the magnitude of the fight. You got two young guys, both champions in our divisions. The only difference is I'm going down to his division and challenging him for his title. I look at it like a big challenge for me due to the fact that I have to lose an extra seven pounds to get down to 168. So it's a challenge for me and it's a challenge I'm looking forward to. The weight is good and I left the gym yesterday weighing in at 176 pounds. I feel great."

Andre has been getting a lot of notoriety as being a pound for pound fighter, so how do you feel about fighting a guy like that?

"He's still just another fighter. I understand the fact that he won a gold medal and he has a great amateur background, but this is the pros. He's never been in there with a fighter like me. I don't care what the media says or what people say, he's never been in the ring with a fighter like me. On September 8th he's going to see something different in there, something he's never seen before."

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"Ward vs. Dawson - World Champions - Made In America"

Andre Ward vs. Chad Dawson World Championship showdown, set to take place September 8 at the Oracle Arena in Oakland, California. The co-feature will see WBC Champion Antonio DeMarco battle John "The Gladiator" Molina Jr. in a 12-round fight for the WBC Lightweight title. Both bouts will be televised live on HBO® World Championship Boxing at 9:45 p.m. ET/PT.

The event is promoted by Goossen Tutor Promotions in association with Gary Shaw Promotions in association with Antonio Leonard Productions and SOG Promotions and sponsored by Corona, City of Oakland, Azad Watches and 95.7 The Game.

Tickets priced at \$300, \$200, \$100, \$75, \$50 and \$25 and are available for purchase online at www.oraclearena.com

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deepwater says:

I got ward. if dawson had the heart of his trainer scully I would pick chad. ward is busy,ward fights dirty if he has to,ward wont be dried out like dawson. dawson will not go to camp to get away from distractions because his girl says no.

Radam G says:

Wow! SuperBad Chad is the most pu\$\$y-whipped champion prizefighter of our times. Dude's girl wears da drawers and he wears da panties. And those panties are probably PINK with a lot of lace on 'em! Hehehe! SOG is gonna scorched and torched SBC. Burn up those ____ ____ ____! Haha! Holla!

ali says:

Chad is 31-1 with his girl telling him what to do so he should stick to the stript. I can't wait to

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here the excuses as to why Ward loss but I ain't trying to here that B.S. Dawson is the better fighter and he will prove it Sep 8 mark my words.

Radam G says:

The only excuser maker will be you, like always SCLA Ali. Holla!

brownsugar says:

I read an article where one journalist said that 24/7 is a bad investment for this fight because it will draw more viewers in to see a Dawson vs Hopkins type of fight. and thus run more fans away from boxing.

Most ridiculous thing I've ever heard.

Ward or Dawson could have scheduled lesser opponents...instead they both chose the riskiest fight possible for a bigger check and even bigger P4P bragging rights.

This is how boxers should behave and it keeps the sport alive.

Dawson is the stronger guy but Wards strength lies in his ability to capture offensive opportunities and take advantage of the moment... swiftly yet discretely.

And Dawson is a beast when his confidence level allows him to let his hands go. Fighting a junior middleweight probably has Dawson feeling like King Kong right about now.

Give me Ward by uncharacteristic KO,.. not that Dawson is weak,.. but because the moment will be so great that each opponent will not be able to resist going for the Gold.

This is going to be something... mark my word...(sorry ali)

deepwater says:

Ward has the chip on his shoulder and is ready to go. If dawson wins he gets alot of props no excuses.

SouthPaul says:

The 24 7 was a good watch. Both cats seem stable and grounded... Appear to be good family men. Nice to see my boy Scully get his airtime too. Good dude right there.