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COSTA MESA, CALIF.-Southern California heavyweight prospect Alex Flores was given an assist by a referee in winning by technical knockout over Harold Sconiers on Thursday.

Flores (12-0, 10 Kos) continued his home field advantage at the OC Hangar before more than 3,000 people in the Roy Englebrecht Promotion. A late cancellation by his previously scheduled appointment saw veteran Sconiers (18-27-2) get the assignment. Bad record or not, Sconiers knows how to fight.

As soon as the fight began it was evident that Flores was not meek about exchanging with the Florida heavyweight. Both were not shy about letting loose and hit each other with solid blows.

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Suddenly, a punch to Sconier's body saw him double over slightly and out went his mouth piece. Flores saw the opening and fired a barrage of blows. Sconiers put his head behind his guard and referee Raul Caiz Jr. stepped in and immediately stopped the fight.

The crowd booed the stoppage.

"I was looking down for my mouthpiece," said Sconiers, a veteran who had fought some of the best heavyweights in the country. "I wasn't hurt at all. I got hit with a body shot but I wasn't hit with anything to stop the fight."

Despite a record that seems upside down, Sconiers had a near win against Deontay Wilder back in October 2010. During that fight he floored Wilder twice. In one of those knockdowns the referee missed the punch and mistakenly ruled it a slip. Wilder couldn't get up because of the blow and kept slipping. But he got up and proceeded to stop Sconiers. So far that remains Wilder's toughest fight.

Flores was landing some solid punches and was never hurt by any of Sconiers' blows. He did his job and looked ready to fight.

"I was just glad I was able to fight," said Flores, who learned last week that his originally scheduled opponent suffered a training injury and could not fight. "I want to show what I can do in the next level."

Flores' manager Michael Love said he's wanting to step his man up.

"Someone like Bryant Jennings is who we're looking to fight," said Love, adding that Flores wants to fight a contender. "We'd love to put that on national TV."

Flores says that Jennings is a personal target because of his recent showings.

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"I want to fight someone good like Jennings," said Flores.

Flores won by technical knockout of Sconiers at 2:29 of round one.

Other bouts

Female junior featherweights Cassie Trost (1-1-1) of Santa Fe Springs and Celine Roman (2-1-1) of Ontario fought to a split draw after four rounds.

Roman edged Trost in the first round with just a sliver of more punches connected. Then Trost opened up the artillery in rounds two and three with quick bursts of combinations against the slower Roman. Trost must have landed at least a half dozen right hand leads to Roman's head.

The final round saw Roman step on the gas a little more and begin attacking with more aggressiveness. It paid off as she began to land left hooks. It just came too late to win a four round fight. One judge scored it 40-36 for Trost but another had to 39-37. Still another ruled it 38-38 for a split draw.

Other winners:

MMA results – German Baltazar defeated James Acosta by unanimous decision; Curtis Millender won his pro debut against Paul Gemmati by unanimous decision.

Boxing results – Edgar Flores knocked out Danny Martinez 26 seconds into round two.

Joaquin "Chico" Chavez knocked out Luis Hernandez at 2:59 of round two.

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