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Deontay Wilder didn't have to break a sweat before he broke a piece off Malik Scott's chin in round one of their clash in Puerto Rico, on Showtime, on the Danny Garcia-Mauricio Herrera undercard.

A left hook froze Scott and a right hand follow put the loser on his tush. He tried to get up, but his eyes were glassy, and the ref counted ten in this semifinal match, put on by Golden Boy.

The crowd booed when they saw the replay, which indicated that the right wasn't fully clean. The hook might have been more than a mere tablesetter, in fact.

The end came at 1:36 for the 28-year-old Wilder, who now gets a crack at the winner of the forthcoming Chris Arreola-Bernane Stiverne scrap. That bout is for the WBC crown left vacant by Vitali Klitschko, who exited boxing for the political arena in the Ukraine.

Post-fight, Jim Gray spoke to Wilder, the 31-0 (31 KOs) resident of Alabama. The left hook to the temple was nasty, the victor said after Gray chided him for thanking too many people.

The Pennsylvania native Scott, age 33, drops to 36-2-1. He had been stopped before, in round six by Dereck Chisora in July 2013.

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Radam G says:

Is anyone surprised. I knew that Malik Scott would take an early nap. He, any heavyweight can pïmp slap. Dude quit again, and is full of crap. On him getting big fights should now be a rap. Holla!

dino da vinci says:

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deepwater2 says:

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deepwater2 says:

It's because Philly won't buy tickets and neither will Mexicans so I'm sure Haymon came up with a scheme and Espinoza agreed . It's about getting a fan base for Garcia . Garcia has to fight a Barclays in ny or on a Floyd card because he can't headline a card in Philly.

King Beef says:

[QUOTE=dino da vinci;45779]In what world was that a nasty hook? I'm getting old.[/QUOTE]

after seeing it in slo-mo, looked like it caught him on the temple or behind the ear, but the right that followed damn sure shouldn't have put him out like that; looked like he blocked almost all of it.

I am curious to see how he reacts when he runs into to somebody that can take his shot, and gives some back.

brownsugar says:

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Was that real?..... The hook could have caused a flash knock down. But the right didnt land...Scott was tangled up in the ropes like he was caught in a spiderweb...took forever to get up (like in the Chisora bout) Is Scott cashing out his once decent name to make contenders look good? Question marks still abound for Wilder. Fight results non conclusive in my opinion

Good fight between Garcia and Mauricio was worth ordering the pizza.

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Hahahaha funny summation. Angel Garcia has referred to himself and his son as Philly-Ricans not Puerto Ricans, he professed his patriotism in the past. And then they conveniently changed tunes and became Boricuas.

Carmine Cas says:

Wilder should get a stern test from the Arreola-Steeverne winner

the Roast says:

I with you guys on this. I watched the replay 10 times and I don't see how those two punches put a man down for a ten count. Easy for me to say from the couch but that didn't look right. We still don't know if Wilder can take a shot.

Skibbz says:

Stayed up till 5:30am watching all the fights.. Bitter disappointment! Could see Scott going down in the first but expected him to have a little more pride... Expected to get hit, went down on a tap!

Grimm says:

1. Classic Ingemar Johansson-set up: jab, jab, jab, zzzz, jab, ja...left hook-right. Boom! But...
2. Wilders body isn't committed to the punch/behind the punch and is nowhere near generating full leverage, so...
2. Scotts eyes says it all. "Nah...I'll stay down."

mortcola says:

No damage could have been done, unless that slap-hook maybe, maybe scrambled Scott via the temple. But its a stretch. I can't get the word "dive" out of my head.

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amayseng says:

Agreed with Mortcola.

Appears the left hook landed but it was a slap hook, all arm and I did not see the right hand land.

Radam G says:

OML! GREAT SCOTT! Dude was paralyzed from pure fright. It gave him a short night. Holla!

dino da vinci says:

I rarely say what I'm about to say, but: Guy didn't want to be there and they should suspend his purse. It's a form of thievery.

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Cries of "The Fix was in" is reverberating across the web.
And its understandable.

Scott is most assuredly done at the prime time level.

I'm glad he didn't tape a video (played prior to the fight) wearing a red white and blue singlet while sitting on red white and blue bleachers with his children, as he extolled the virtues of the American Way like Bruce Seldom did before his fiasco with Mike Tyson.

Now Wilder is going to go from a non-fight to a real fight as he gets the winner of Stiverne vs Arreola in his next fight...should be interesting.

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I gotcha RG.

DaveB says:

I'm really hoping that Wilder is all that they say he is BUT I'm really not sure. Hopefully by the end of the year he will meet a live body. A lot of questions. No answers. Yes Tyson fought people like this also as did they all but Tyson was wading into deep water by his 31st fight. Wilder is supposed to fight Chris A. or Stiverne next and that will start answering some of the questions. That shot was definitely questionable. Scott looked as clear eyed as you can get.

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Domenic says:

Wilder is a wildcard still but he's attracting interest in the division, which is great for the sport. Can't fault him for Scott's actions. Evidently the Klitschkos both speak very highly of DW, which

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is high praise. He sparred with them numerous rounds (or Wlad only perhaps). We'll see. Look forward to the him matching up with the Stiverne/Arreola winner, neither of whom will roll over.

Side point, Paulie does a fine job in the booth.

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Agreed. Either that or Scott is a mental midget. Or just a bum. Which is actually quite plausible too.

Radam G says:

Mental midget is what fits him. Besides, he got hurt by Wilder in sparring sessions. Holla!

The Shadow says:

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Yeah. When I got in the ring at first, because I'm naturally technical/flashy in my sports whether its soccer, basketball, what have you, they told me to stop being that and master fundamentals first and the "me" would come out on its own.

And boy, would he ever! I think Jimmy Young would embarrass him, maybe even stop him with his vicious inside body game. Funny you thought about him too.

stormcentre says:

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Skibbz says:

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Spot on, having watched it over a few times the check hook did hit him clean enough for Scott to decide it's a rap..

The Good Doctor says:

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dino da vinci says:

He may still be the best heavyweight in America. Somebody call Curtis Cokes for confirmation.

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Right, I hear you. Yeah, Moorer did fight a dumb fight. Spot on with the rest, too. Michael

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Moorer was and is a major head case. Super stubborn, too.

Radam G says:

Hehehehe!, A-seng been getting jiggy with it on that slick-cracking comedy. Holla!