

Tommy Owens Promotions Proudly presents

Ring Wars 2

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Welcome to Tommy Owens Promotions first show of the new year 'Ring Wars 2' at The Holte Suite, Villa park.

TOP Boxing has a fantastic line up of some of the best boxers from around the Midlands with 7 bouts of boxing on the card all sanctioned by the BBBoC, match maker for the show is Jon Pegg.

Making his debut tonight you have Umar Anjum from Redditch, also you have two of the bbcolumn's 'Boxers to Watch' for this year, Tommy Collins and Lewis Coley both from Birmingham who are both just starting there boxing careers.

There is one more fighters who is just starting his journey in boxing with Ashlee Eales from Nuneaton having his second fight

We also see Aroon Fiaz from Telford making his long awaited return to the ring.

The final two on this packed fight card is another bbcolumn 'Boxer to Watch' for this year River Wilson-Bent from Coventry and a former bbcolumn 'Boxer Watch' Shaun Cooper from Willenhall.

Referee's - Shaun Messer & Kevin Parker Master of Ceremonies - David Nikolich Ring Girls – CP Agency



Umar Anjum, Age 29, Weight division – Light Heavyweight Record - W-0, D-0, L-0 Born - Halifax, Resides - Redditch Stance – Orthodox, Height – 5,11

Umar Anjum makes his professional debut tonight at Villa park. Anjum has trained out of the D&A boxing school of excellence for countless years and has crafted his Technique there with lots of drills in timing, speed accuracy and defence to ensure he is sharp for the professional ranks. The 29 year former amateur boxer is trained by professional coach Anthony Hull and his team at D&A and follows a great pedigree of boxers that have came out of this gym with the likes of Ismael Ellis and Idris Virgo turning over to the pro ranks. I'm sure Anjum will be looking to make an impacted in his first professional contest.



Tommy Collins, Age – 21, Weight Division- Welterweight

Nickname – Tommy Gun, Record- W-1 – D-0 – L-0

Born – Birmingham, Resides – Birmingham

Stance – Orthodox, Height – 5,9

Tommy Collins made his debut on the Tommy Owens Promotions show 'Rise of a Champions 2' on the 26th October 2019. Collins beat Paul Ducie with ref Shaun Messer scoring it 40 -36 in favour of Collins. He was named in the bbcolumn awards as one of the boxers to watch for 2020 and with a great amateur career behind him 2020 is looking like a great year for Tommy 'Gun' Collins.

I contacted Collins and asked him how his training had gone, how he thought the fight would go and if he has any plans for after the fight. He told me, "training has gone extremely well, as your aware I'm a gym rat and live at the gym, so this camp my dad and Tom Chaney have had me spending a lot of time trying to adjust my style and adapt it into the program. I've trained extremely hard yet again and believe that a win is on the horizon come Saturday". Tommy continued "I've been told I will be boxing 28th March following this bout, so a couple of days off providing I get the win and back into camp for the next one.



Lewis Coley, Age-20, Weight division – Super Featherweight Record- W-2, D-0, L-0

Born – Birmingham Resides – Birmingham Stance - Orthodox, Height – 5,8

Lewis Coley made his debut on the Tommy Owens Promotions show 'Rise of a Champion' 26th October 2019 at the Holte suite, Villa park. Coley beat Joe Beeden, knocking him down with Ref Shaun Messer scoring it 40-35 to Coley. Coley then fought just a month later on another Tommy Owens Promotions show 'Double Trouble' at Villa park against Veteran Brett Fidoe with Ref Kevin Parker scoring the fight 40-36 to Coley. Coley was also named a bbcolumn 'Boxer to Watch' for 2020 and after two great performance's in 2019 it looks like he will live up to the hype.

I contacted Coley and asked him how his training had gone, how he thought the fight would go and if he has any plans for after the fight.

Coley told me "Training has gone well, I've been training hard everyday and I'm going to come out skilfully and if the knock out comes it comes, I just want to keep on fighting as much as I can.



Aroon Fiaz, Age 27, Weight division- Middleweight
Alias – Harry Fiaz, Record - W-2, D-0, L-0
Born – Shrewsbury, Resides - Telford
Stance – Orthodox, Height – 6,3

Harry Fiaz makes a long awaited return to the ring after having his first two fights in 2016. Fiaz made his debut on the 14th May 2016 scoring a fourth round TKO against James Conroy on a Tommy Owens Promotions show at Villa Park. Fiaz then went on to fight again in 2016 at the Holte suite Villa park beating Martin Antos on points in a four round contest (21,10,16). Harry then took some time away from the squared circle as him and his partner had a baby and he started a new job. Fiaz who has done a lot of work with Richie Woodall will be looking to make up for lost time and make a statement after being out of the ring for over a year.



Ashlee Eales, Age 25, Middleweight
Record – W-1, D-0, L-0
Born – Nuneaton, Resides – Nuneaton
Stance – Southpaw, Height – 6.0

Ashlee Eales who is a former Ballet Dancer, yes you read it right a 'Ballet Dancer' made his debut in a four round fight against the veteran and very tricky Kevin McCauley on Friday 18th October 2019. Referee Chris Deen awarded him every round as he showed off his skills on the Black Country boxing Promotions show 'We are Wolves' at the Hangar Events Venue Wolverhampton. The Southpaw showed some exceptional skill for a debutant putting McCauley though the mill with McCauley sustaining a cut above his left eye in the third round. Eales looks like he has the potential to be a real force in the Middleweight division and I can see titles in his future.



Shaun Cooper, Age – 23, Weight division - Lightweight
Nickname – Scorpion, Record - W-9, D-0, L-1
Born – Walsall, Resides – Willenhall
Stance – Orthodox, Height – 5,7

Shaun Cooper is a regular on the Tommy Owens Promotions shows at Villa Park where he has had the majority of his contests. His last two fights have been contested over ten rounds with him beating Boy Jones on points in a match on the Billy Joe Saunders undercard (18,5,19). The fight was for the WBO youth Lightweight title but unfortunately Cooper was slightly over at the weigh-in so was not eligible to win the belt. Cooper then fought in another ten rounder this time for the Midlands area lightweight title against Jack O'Keeffe on the Tommy Owens Promotions show 'Civil War' (7,9,19). Cooper

was stopped in the fourth round by a cracking body shot and will be looking to getting back to winning ways.



I contacted Cooper and asked him how his training had gone, how he thought the fight would go and if he has any plans for after the fight. Cooper told me "Since I moved trainers from Peter Hickenbottom to Martin Gethin, there's been alot of differents in me, when I spar people say your a different fighter, maybe the change has done me good". Cooper continued "don't take nothing away from Pete he is a great coach and such a great person, he done what he did with me. Training with an ex pro is massive and Martin achieved so

much and has so much knowledge about the game that has changed me alot and helped, he is great coach and I get along well with him". Shaun then talked about the fight he said "I'm ready for my this fight, I'm buzzing for it and can't wait to get back to winning ways. I got a big fight after this one on the undercard of Shakan Pitters v Craig Richards show, I'm fighting Ishmael Ellis in what could be a Midlands eliminator. I want the winner of Jack O'Keeffe or Kaash Buttery, but I'm not looking past Ishmael so I'll get these fights out the way, I'm back up there and I'm coming to win that title. Shaun also mentioned his sponsors Dp building & property services, Taundry doors, Simmons pork scratching, Peaky barbers and Webbs construction engineering.



River Wilson-Bent, Age 26, Weight division- Super Welterweight

Record - W-6, D-0, L-0

Born Coventry, Resides - Coventry

Stance - Orthodox, Height- 6.0

River has been a very busy lad racking up 6 bouts of boxing in just over a year and winning them all. He has stopped two of his opponents making a statement in his first fight stopping Mike Castell in the first round. River has a massive following who make themselves heard whether it has been in Coventry or at Villa Park Birmingham.



I contacted Wilson-Bent who was named as one of the 'Boxers to Watch' in the bbcolumn awards 2020 and asked him how his training had gone, how he thought the fight would go and if he has any plans for after the fight. River told me "this camp has been tough but when are they ever easy. I still trained throughout Christmas to keep my weight down, I Kind of had a feeling I would be fighting early in the

year. At the start of January I went skiing where I was running and hitting the gym every day after long days of skiing in the Austrian Alps, knowing I was fighting on the 8th February, I knew I had no time to switch off".

River continued "When I came back I had loads of sparring, pads and circuits to get my timing right, I hit my weight for the fight on Monday so I'm more than ready to rock n roll Saturday".

Mr Wilson-Bent finished by announcing "I also found out I'm boxing on the Shakan Pitters undercard in my home town, so I'm buzzing





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