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Portland Boxing Club's Casey Streeter (right) at All-Star Boxing at the Portland Expo on November 6, 2021.

Photo courtesy Kineo Photography.

All-Star Boxing Results

The Portland Boxing Club brought boxing back to the Portland Expo for the first time in two years on Saturday. A loud and enthusiastic crowd packed the Expo creating an intense atmosphere.

In the main event, PBC'S Casey "The Comeback Kid" Streeter, a super welterweight from Raymond, Maine, faced Khairy Gray, of Worcester, MA, for the New England Super Welterweight Championship Title. After a short feeling out process, Gray landed a clean straight right hand that dropped Streeter. Streeter rose at the count of six and was immediately attacked by Gray, who pushed him back to the ropes. Gray landed another straight right hand that

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PBC's Russell "The Haitian Sensation" Lamour, Jr, a super middleweight from Portland, Maine, won a unanimous decision over southpaw Vincent Floyd from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The six-round bout was clearly the fight of the night with back-and-forth exchanges in all six rounds.

PBC's Jorge "Mantequilla" Abiague, a super bantamweight from Falmouth, Maine won by TKO over Mike Oliver from Hartford Connecticut. After several fast exchanges by both fighters Abiague landed a clean straight right hand that dropped Oliver. Oliver never fully recovered and was dropped twice more ending the fight at 2:24 in the first round.

Brandon "The Cannon" Berry, a super lightweight from West Forks, Maine, overwhelmed Diego Vincente Perez from Buenos Aries, Argentina, with a determined body attack. Berry dropped Perez twice each in the first and second rounds with the referee finally calling a halt to the action at 2:44 into the second round.

Josniel "TG" Castro a super welterweight from Boca Raton, Florida who formerly trained in Portland, Maine, won by TKO over Gonzalo Dallera from Miami, Florida. Castro controlled the bout landing hard body and head shots to the surprisingly tough and determined Dallera before stopping him at 2:08 into fifth round.

2021 Olympia Rohan Polanco, a super lightweight from Springfield, Massachusetts, won by TKO over Gabriel Punalef Calfin from Buenos Aries, Argentina. Polanco sent Calfin to the canvas twice in the second round and once in the third round before the referee stopped the fight 1:23 into third round.

PBC's [Wade Faria](#), an open class amateur middleweight from Gorham, Maine, won a close but unanimous decision over Jhon Devers from Worcester, Massachusetts. PBC's Ilyas Bashir, a novice class amateur lightweight from Auburn, Maine, won a hard-fought, close split decision over Eliot DeJesus from Springfield, Massachusetts.

Special guest was fan favorite Micky Ward who signed autographs and took photos.

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All-Star Boxing at the Portland Expo on November 6, 2021.

Photo courtesy Rich Peterson.

Thank You

As I reflect on November's All Star Boxing event at the Portland Expo, I want to say that I am honored and impressed with the comments and the response from the fans. Let me say that whether a boxer won or lost his fight last night, they deserve great respect for simply stepping in the ring. And while the bout may not always go the way we hoped, these athletes need to know that they have my respect for having the courage to compete in the toughest sport there is. Until you step into that squared circle, it's hard to understand how much hard work and dedication it takes to get to that level.

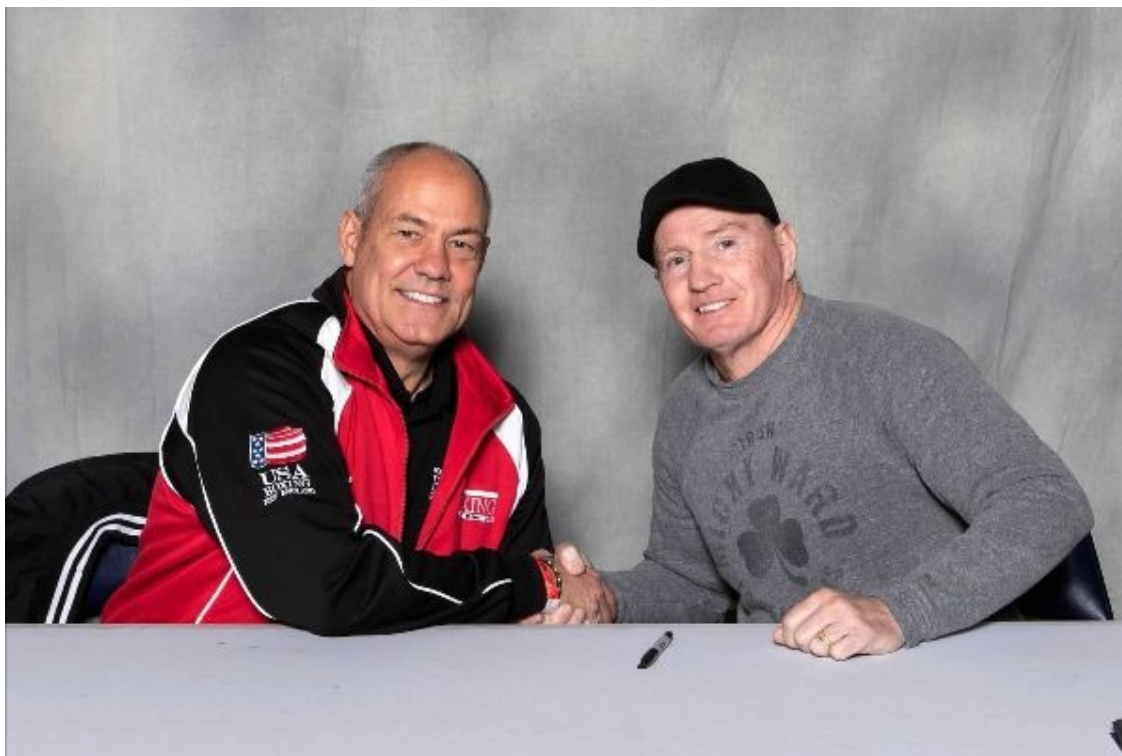
I want to thank all of the boxers for competing. I also want to thank all of the PBC volunteers and Expo staff who helped make this - our 106th show - happen. Special thanks to Durward Ferland who spent countless hours helping with every aspect of the show, and thank you to matchmaker Mark Vaz who dealt with many challenging issues along the way.

I want to give a big shout-out to Maine Multimedia, Rich Peterson, and his crew for their excellent work in creating an awesome and exciting atmosphere for All Star Boxing. From the music and lighting to the videos everything was spot on.

Last but not least, I want to thank the sponsors and fans who have supported our program for many years. This year was especially challenging with Covid-19 still lurking and I appreciate the patience of our fans for coming to the show and dealing with Portland's protocols so that the show could go on safely.

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-- President and Head Coach Bobby Russo



Portland Boxing Club assistant coach Steve Rosacha (left) with Micky Ward (right).

Micky Ward Photos

Photos with Micky Ward at the Portland Expo available at the following link:

<https://mickeywardexpo11621.shutterfly.com/>

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Portland Boxing Club's [on-line store](#) has a wide selection of merchandise featuring the Portland Boxing Club logo. These make great gifts for the hard-to-buy-for boxer or boxing fan in your life!

Order Early for Christmas

We have seen extended shipping times this year. Order by December 15 for your items to arrive by Christmas.

New Item - Portland Boxing Club Custom Boxing Gloves

Great for sparring and hitting the bag or mitts! These high-quality custom designed [Portland Boxing Club gloves](#) are made from long-lasting synthetic leather with foam padding that shapes to the fist. The hook and loop wrist strap

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Gloves of this quality typically sell for \$90, we are offering them at an introductory price of \$40.

Gift Certificates

[Gift certificates](#) are now available! Gift certificates can be redeemed towards membership initiation, monthly dues and in-club purchases. Not sure what amount to purchase? Consider \$30 for one months' dues, \$50 for a sweatshirt and t-shirt, \$105 for a new member's initiation and second month's dues, \$180 for 6 months' dues or \$360 for one years' dues.

Check out these and the other store items at: [On-line Store](#)

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Upcoming Events

USA Boxing National Championships

Portland Boxing Club's Kate Zehr is competing in the 2021 USA Boxing National Championships in Shreveport, Louisiana on December 5 - 11, 2021. The schedule, brackets and bout sheets as well as a live stream to follow Zehr's progress can be found here: <https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Boxing/2021-National-Championships>

Northern New England Golden Gloves

The Northern New England Golden Gloves will be held on Saturday, January 15, 2022 and Saturday, January 22, 2022 at Tri-City Christian Academy in Somersworth, NH. Doors open at 4:30 pm and bouts start at 6:00 pm both days. Winners will advance to the New England Golden Gloves Tournament of

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New England Golden Gloves

The New England Golden Gloves Tournament of Champions will be held on Thursdays, February 17 - March 10, 2022 at the Lowell Memorial Auditorium in Lowell, MA. Novice class semi-finals are February 17 and finals are February 24. Open class semi-finals are March 3 and finals are March 10. Bouts begin at 7:30 pm each night. Open class winners will advance to the National Golden Gloves Tournament of Champions. For more information and tickets, visit: www.lowellgoldengloves.com

National Golden Gloves

The National Golden Gloves Tournament of Champions is scheduled for August 15 - 20, 2022 at the Cox Business Center in Tulsa, OK. For more information and updates, visit: www.goldenglovesusa.org/championship/



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- Les & Kim Bishop
- Mark Jordan
- Josephine Moody
- Jesse Porter

Thank you for being a member of the Red Corner Club!

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Red Corner Club

Portland Boxing Club's Red Corner Club is a great way to show your boxing pride and support the Portland Boxing Club. For an annual tax-deductible donation of \$100 or greater, you can join this exclusive club of Portland Boxing Club supporters. The Red Corner Club is open to anyone who wants to support the Portland Boxing Club, including current and past members, boxing team alumni, fans and community supporters.

Benefits include Portland Boxing Club shirt with the Red Corner Club member logo, recognition in upcoming souvenir programs, recognition in Portland Boxing Club newsletters and recognition at Portland Boxing Club events.

For more information or to join, visit www.portlandboxingclub.org/red-corner-club

Portland Boxing Club Merchandise

Portland Boxing Club's on-line store has a wide selection of merchandise featuring the Portland Boxing Club logo. These make great gifts for the hard-to-buy-for boxer or boxing fan in your life! Our most popular items include hooded sweatshirts and stay-dry t-shirts. We also have facemasks and neck gaiters to help protect yourself and others. Boxing equipment including gloves, headgear, hand wraps, mouth guards and jump ropes are also available.

To shop these and many more items, visit www.portlandboxingclub.org/store

Boxing Collectables and Memorabilia

Portland Boxing Club now has boxing collectables and memorabilia available for sale on-line. Items include autographed boxing gloves from famous boxers such as Micky Ward, Dicky Eklund, Muhammad Ali, Jake LaMotta and Gerry Cooney along with local favorites such as Liz Leddy and Russell Lamour. Other items include vintage boxing magazines such as The Ring, KO Magazine, Boxing Illustrated and World Boxing from 1978 to 1992. Additional items are

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