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Portland Boxing Club's January 2021 Newsletter - Volume 6 Issue

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# Happy New Year

Similar to many non-profit organizations, 2020 was a challenging year for the Portland Boxing Club. Our boxers have not fought since the New England Golden Gloves in March. State of Maine and USA Boxing mandates required us to close the gym twice. Crowd size limitations led to the cancellation of our September fundraiser and November All-Star Boxing show.

But we are boxers. And boxers are resilient. After each setback, we stood back up, wiped off our gloves and got right back at it.

Our supporters stepped up in a major way during 2020. Many members chose to continue paying monthly dues during the months we were closed. Red Corner Club membership was strong with renewals and new members. We had

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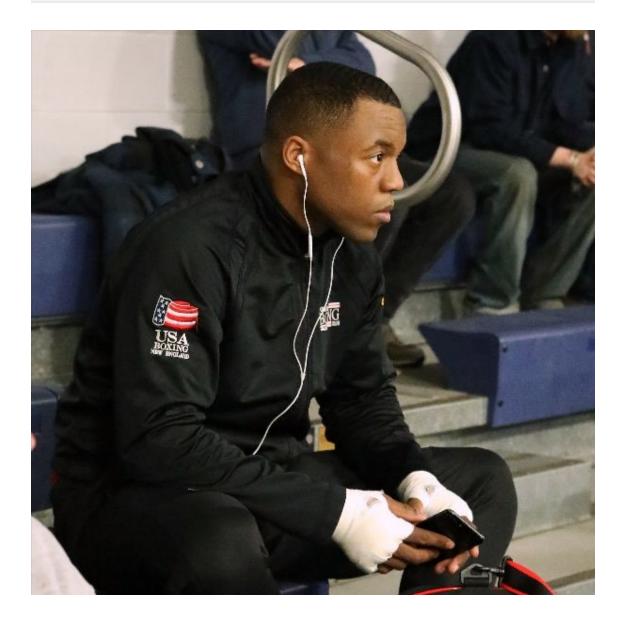
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AmazonSmile which contributed a portion of those sales. This level of community support was amazing and made a tremendous difference. We are extremely thankful for each person who supported us in some way.

We are looking forward to 2021. We're coming into the new year ready to get back to work. The gym reopens on February 1. We continue to make improvements on the building. We are producing new content and training materials for our website. We have added new items to our on-line store. We are planning a Red Corner Club member event to host once permitted.

We are excited about what the future holds during our 29th year of "Making Champions & Good Citizens." Happy New Year from the Portland Boxing Club.



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# Reopening February 1

Our planned reopening date is February 1, 2021 provided that State of Maine and USA Boxing guidelines allow us to do so at that time. We will continue follow our <u>COVID-19 protocols</u> upon reopening. Updates on reopening will be posted on our <u>website</u> and <u>Facebook page</u>.



Portland Boxing Club's Wade Faria (left) connects with a jab while sparring in February 2020.

# Thank You

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Boxing Club. We appreciate the effort of each and every volunteer, whether they contribute one hour or one thousand. Some of the special projects completed during 2020 were:

- Rebuilding of a wall section Jon Webster
- · Painting the floor Marty Higgins and Wade Faria
- Replacing the electric service entrance Ivan Papkee
- Painting the facade Durward Ferland, Tom Loring, Artur Kuznetsov,
   Drew Baker, Jay Estabrook and Fazal Nabi.
- Preparing and sending multiple mailings Michael Russo
- Developing and recording training videos Liz Leddy, Kate Zehr and Durward Ferland

Thank you to all of our dedicated volunteers. We would not be here without you.

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# **PBC On-Line Store**

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!

# Sale Item - Long Sleeve T-Shirts

Portland Boxing Club long sleeve t-shirts are on sale for \$13.

# **Coming Soon**

We will have Portland Boxing Club sleeveless hoodies available in our on-line store soon!

## **New Item - Glasses**

We now have 11 oz lowball glass (Old Fashioned glass), 16 oz pint glasses and

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# **New Item - Golden Gloves Bag Gloves**

We now have <u>Golden Gloves branded bag gloves</u> from Ringside available at the Portland Boxing Club for \$50 along with the other three types we carry.

## **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



## Thank You Red Corner Club Members

Thank you to the following new and renewal members during 2020:

Ethan Gamage Robert Hews - Hews Company

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

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# BOXING CLUB

# **HOW CAN I SUPPORT PBC?**

The Portland Boxing Club is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and we rely on fundraisers and donations for our operations. Here are some ways you can help support the Portland Boxing Club:

# **Red Corner Club**

For an annual tax-deductible donation of \$100 or greater, you can join this group of Portland Boxing Club supporters. The Red Corner Club is open to anyone including current and past members, boxing team alumni, fans and the community. www.portlandboxingclub.org/red-corner-club

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life! Boxing equipment is also available.
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Boxing Collectables and Memorabilia Portland Boxing Club now has boxing collectables and memorabilia available for sale on-line. Items

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Your support of the Portland Boxing Club through any of these methods is greatly appreciated.

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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 <u>www.portlandboxingclub.org/red-corner-</u>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-

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 <a href="https://www.portlandboxingclub.org/store">www.portlandboxingclub.org/store</a>

## 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 being added regularly.

To shop our Boxing Collectables and Memorabilia, visit www.portlandboxingclub.org/memorabilia

## **AmazonSmile**

Support the Portland Boxing Club when you shop on Amazon with AmazonSmile! Customers pay the same Amazon prices, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the price of eligible purchases to the Portland Boxing Club.

Select Portland Boxing Club as your charity then when time you shop on Amazon, go to smile.amazon.com.

Your support of the Portland Boxing Club through any of these methods would be greatly appreciated. The Portland Boxing Club thanks you for your continued support.

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