Portland Boxing Club's June 2022 Newsletter - Volume 7 Issue 6

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Portland Boxing Club will be closed for our annual summer break during August.

There will be no Beginner Drop-In Class or Strength and Conditioning Class during this time.

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Ilyas Bashir (right) and Riley Varlan (left) at Gettin' Gritty in the City 2 - USA vs Canada. *Photo courtesy Audree Kehn/Sun Journal.* 

## Gettin' Gritty in the City

Portland Boxing Club's Wade Faria, Ilyas Bashir and Max Kennedy all showed good skill at Gettin' Gritty in the City 2 - USA vs Canada on Saturday, April 9, 2022 at the Lewiston Armory in Lewiston, Maine.

Max Kennedy, a 139-pound novice male of South Portland, ME lost a very close split decision to Matthew Nguyen of Springfield, MA. The entire fight was a back-and-forth battle in Kennedy's debut fight.

Abbas Ngoboka, a 152-pound youth division male from Portland, ME won a surprising split decision over Jaquan Davis of Springfield, MA. Ngoboka dominated his opponent looking very impressive in his first fight after recovering from a high school football injury.

Wade Faria, a 165-pound elite male of Portland, ME, stepped up to 170 pounds to face Orion Clachar, of Stratford, NH. Faria won a unanimous decision, clearly out-boxed the heavier Clachar, who is the New England Golden Gloves Light Heavyweight Champion. Faria was awarded Outstanding Fighter of the event and this bout was also named Fight of the Night.

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the second round over Riley Varlan of Oromocto, New Brunswick. Bashir was very impressive, clearly dominating the former Junior Canadian Champion with vicious body attacks.



Portland Boxing Clubs Zordan Holman, head coach Bobby Russo, Max Kenny and Ilyas Bashir at Thrive VIII.

# **Thrive VIII**

Portland Boxing Club's Max Kennedy, Ilyas Bashir and Zordan Holman competed in Thrive VIII on Saturday, May 7, 2022 in Londonderry, New Hampshire.

unanimous decision over Exavier Gomez of Lawrence, MA. In this great matchup of two sluggers, Kennedy's better boxing skills earned him the win over the aggressive Gomez in this war of a fight.

In what was declared the Fight of the Night, Ilyas Bashir, a 139-pound elite male from Auburn, ME, outboxed Michael DiDino of West Warwick, RI clearly winning the split decision.

Zordan Holman, a 203+ pound novice male from Westbrook, ME, showed a nice jab in his unanimous decision win over Kiefer Rivera of Springfield, MA. Holman outclassed his game opponent throughout the fight.



Congratulations to Portland Boxing Club's Wade Faria on the birth of his daughter Emauri. She is seen here with her Carter (left) and Olivia (left).



Congratulations to Portland Boxing Club's Freddy and Jess Najera on their wedding!



### **PBC On-Line Store**

Portland Boxing Club's <u>on-line store</u> 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!

#### **KO Hot Sauce Back in Stock**

Portland Boxing Club KO Hot Sauce is back in stock and available for \$10.

### **Stay-Dry T-Shirts on Sale**

Portland Boxing Club <u>stay-dry t-shirts</u>, normally \$22, are on sale for \$16.

# **Tank Tops on Sale**

Portland Boxing Club <u>stay-dry t-shirts</u>, normally \$22, are on sale for \$16.

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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



# **Upcoming Events**

### Skowhegan Pro-Am

Portland Boxing Club will have amateur boxers participating in Team Berry's Boxing show at the Skowhegan Community Center in Skowhegan, Maine on June 11, 2022. For more information, contact Brandon Berry.

### 603 Night of Fights

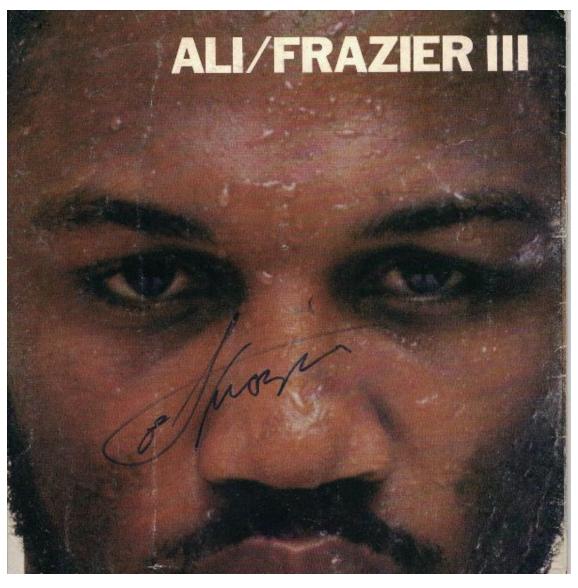
Portland Boxing Club will have amateur boxers participating in Southpaw Boxing's 603 Night of Fights on June 18. 2022 at Phan Zone Sports Center in

### **Kings of Combat**

Portland Boxing Club will have pro boxers participating in Reyes Boxing's Kings of Combat on July 16, 2022 at Daugharty Gym in Braintree, MA. <u>Click here for more information</u>.

#### **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: <a href="https://www.goldenglovesusa.org/championship/">www.goldenglovesusa.org/championship/</a>



Now available in the Portland Boxing Club Memorabilia Store - an autographed program from Ali/Frazier III, the "Thrilla in Manila." This program is signed by Joe Frazier on multiple pages along with Don King and Drew "Bundini" Brown. This can

# How Can I Support PBC?

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

#### 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-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 <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

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 <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a>.

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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