

B O X I N G N O T E S (by Welter)

It is again my pleasure and privilege to report on Palm Is boxing conducted last Saturday night.

Of the thirteen bouts fought, no less than five decisions were for a draw, showing that in these fights the contestants were well matched. In the first fight of the night John Daisy showed his willingness to carry on even after the the last bell, but the decision, a draw, had been given.

The following is a summary of the nights results: Mattie Johnson and Riley Webber fought a draw, as did G. Gunnawarra and George Ryan, Pat Coleman and J. Buchanan, and Archie Smallwood and Lennie Sibley. Michael Miller defeated Basil Robertson on points, George Sidney had to submit to Fred Thomas, Tom Clay won against Archie Frazer, Reg Friday defeated Cecil Lorraine, Max Simpson proved too good for Scotty Coleman, Ernest Friday won against Jacky Patterson and John Chambers outclassed Jim Daisy. Alf Tyson had to submit to Fred Clay.

Three fights which were outstanding as regards action were John Daisy v Norman Aden, mentioned above, Reg Friday v Cecil Lorraine and Mattie Johnson v Riley Webber. The last mentioned can always be relied upon to provide good entertainment. Some fighters showed gameness in standing up to superior opponents and among these could be named Cecil Lorraine, Scotty Coleman and Alf Tyson who deputised for Billy Hill in the main fight.

It is hoped to see some more interesting meetings in the evening next boxing night.

Frank Sibley

The following is an extract which appeared in the "Truth" and which should be of interest to many Palm Islanders.

"With the advent of Palm Island coloured welter, Frank Sibley, some of the furrows on Stadium manager Bert Pott's brow have gone. This fellow seems the best prospect in a long time.

Palpably well schooled, Sibley can punch. He boxes nicely, is devastating at close quarters, can take it and then come back. In cleaning up tough Lou Williams and Gene Moran in his last two bouts, he made a fine impression at the Stadium on Friday night, when he stopped Moran".