

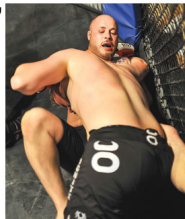
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Revolution Cage Warrior Challenge's Summer Heat certainly lived up to its name Saturday night, providing plenty of excitement for those in attendance. The night started with some entertaining junior grappling matches, and ended with Liberal's own Mario Munoz celebrating a victory in the main event over Trent Wilkinson.

Without a doubt, Munoz' win and celebration afterward was the highlight of the night. With every punch that Munoz landed, the hometown crowd erupted with approval. Two minutes and 40 seconds into the third and final round, Munoz was able to make Wilkinson tap out with an arm-in guillotine submission.

"That guy (Wilkinson) was real tough," Rine said. "Normally when Mario (Munoz) hits you like that the fight is over."



The night also had its fair share of controversy. Jesus Escarsega got a win over Kunta Ford after the doctor stopped the fight due to a gash on Ford's right shoulder.

Prior to the final decision, a misunderstanding prompted a near melee between Escarsega and Ford's trainer.

"Jesus thought he was going to lose the fight," David Rine said. "He thought he might have lost the first round, and didn't know he was going to win. Jesus was telling the trainer, 'You got to make your guy fight,'" Rine said. "I'm not losing the fight this way."

Once the fighters left the cage and headed toward the locker rooms, a fan in attendance took exception to the whole situation. The unruly fan made an attempt to get at Ford's trainer. Security was able to step in and remove the man quickly before the situation could escalate any further.

"They were able to control the situation really quick," Rine said. "Security was on it in a heartbeat."

Despite the brief break in the action due to the incident, the night was an all-around success.

"I was really impressed with the juniors," Rine said. "Those kids are very technical. The fights were great. We had another sold out crowd and the competition was high level."

JUNIOR GRAPPLING

Taylor Tappendick def. Chris Cardenas

Roger Gassmann def. Nick Tappendick

JUNIOR PANKRATION

Omar Gassmann def. Gabe Prieto

Robert Tito Fichtner def. Hayden Weikle

Brayden Laseer def. Jessie Olvera

Esperanza Almaraz def. Cristin Crawley

Nathan Cardenas def. Braden Beavers

Roger Gassmann def. Krystain Piercy

Chris Cardenas def. Cole Burchfield

Hannah Skinner def. Alaina Hernandez

Angel Moncayo def. Christopher Shifflett

Carlos Escarsega def. Tim Sevin

ADULT AMATEUR

Arturo Moreno def. Curtis Mar - Unanimous Decision

Giovanni Galindo def. Robert Smith - 0:30 of Rd 2

Jesus Escarsega def. Kunta Ford - Corner Stoppage at end of Rd 1

Caleb Holloway def. Cesar Gomez - 2:00 of Rd 2

Brexton Everett def. Jake Thompson - 1:12 of Rd 1

Brad Mattison def. Edgar Urias - 2:04 of Rd 1

Kelby Haines def. J.J. Gonzalez - 1:07 of Rd 1

Josh Smith def. Isidro Moncayo - 0:49 of Rd 1

Kurtis Hightower def. Seth Carroll - 2:52 of Rd 1

Chris Harris def. Travis Coz - 1:28 of Rd 1

Cesar Gutierrez def. Chris Weeks - 0:18 of Rd 1

ADULT PRO

Joseph Larock def. Jody McCallon - Unanimous Decision

Shakir McKillip def. Chris Brooks - Corner Stoppage at end of Rd 2

Robert Madrid def. Joey Eisenbraun - 3:40 of Rd 2

Cody Carillo def. Jose Luis Murillo - 1:36 of Rd 1

Mario Munoz def. Trenten Wilkinson - 2:17 of Rd 3