MICHAEL CLAIMS UNDISPUTED EFC CHAMPIONSHIP IN SPECTACULAR SHOWDOWN

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The roof of the World Sports Betting Arena blew skywards as Luke 'The Young Gun' Michael triumphed as the new undisputed EFC Middleweight champion, delivering an unforgettable performance after five exhilarating rounds.

Spending most of the fight on the canvas, Michael showcased his remarkable grappling, overpowering the previously undefeated Jaco Du Plessis. Known for his powerful right hooks, Du Plessis could not match the relentless energy and top control of Michael, who began his EFC journey in August 2014, and now fulfilled his childhood dream with this monumental win to reclaim his title.

In another thrilling bout, Ken Sekeletu from Zambia, who remains undefeated in the EFC, delivered a stunning performance by defeating the formidable Jean-Jacques Lubaya from the DRC. Sekeletu's victory was all the more impressive given his late notice acceptance of the fight and Lubaya's previously undefeated track record of nine wins. Sekeletu's triumph adds his fifth consecutive victory to an already illustrious career.

The night was also marked by the charismatic Shadrack Nsua, whose commanding presence in the Hex captured the audience's imagination with his devastating ground and pound victory, but history was made when Andile Madlala achieved the fastest knockout ever recorded in the EFC Light Heavyweight division, dispatching Tico van den Berg in just 19 seconds. This extraordinary feat cements Madlala's place in the annals of the EFC history books.

Siyanda Vilakazi's bout against Kelvin Smit was a rollercoaster of excitement with Vilakazi dominating the first round, knocking Smit down twice. But Smit's swift comeback forced Vilakazi into submission, leading to a tap-out in the second round by an impressive rear-naked choke.

As the night wrapped up, anticipation built for EFC 117, where Vince Bembe will face off against Faeez "Trouble Maker" Jacobs in what promises to be another exhilarating chapter in the EFC title saga.

The World Sports Betting Arena was truly the stage for a night of unforgettable fights and dramatic victories, leaving fans eagerly awaiting the next thrilling event in the EFC calendar.

OFFICIAL EFC 116 RESULTS:

Main Card MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE FIGHT

Luke Michael def Jaco du Plessis via Unanimous Decision after 5 Rounds

FEATHERWEIGHT FIGHT

Ken Sekeletu def Jean-Jacques Lubaya via unanimous Decision after 3 Rounds

MIDDLEWEIGHT FIGHT

Shadrack Nsua def Khulekani Hlongwa via TKO due to Strikes Round 1 (2:55)

BANTAMWEIGHT FIGHT

Sibusiso Sovendle def Roevan De Beer via TKO due to Strikes Round 2 (2:08)

CATCHWEIGHT FIGHT

Nathanial Komana def Bheki Ngcobo via TKO due to Strikes Round 1 (3:12)

Prelim Card FEATHERWEIGHT FIGHT

Allistar Kunene def Jesse Schaper via Tapout due to Rear Naked Choke Round 1 (2:45)

FLYWEIGHT FIGHT

Kelvin Smit def Siyanda Vilakazi via Tapout due to Rear Naked Choke Round 2 (3:57)

BANTAMWEIGHT FIGHT

Emerson Pedro def William Lekana via TKO due to Strikes Round 2 (3:57)

LIGHTHEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT

Andile Madlala def Tico van den Berg via Knock Out Round 1 (0:19)

LIGHTWEIGHT FIGHT

Chadrack Yemba def Lucky Bosco via TKO due to Strikes Round 2 (2:18)

FLYWEIGHT FIGHT

Lihle Ngamntwini def Teboho Ntene via Unanimous Decision after 3 Rounds

FEATHERWEIGHT FIGHT

Tshepo Majuba def Kenan Hornabrook via TKO due to Strikes Round 1 (4:55)

PERFORMANCE BONUSES:

Lihle Ngamntwini Andile Madlala Siyanda Vilakazi Kelvin Smit Allistar Kunene Sibusiso Sovendle

FIGHT OF THE NIGHT:

Ken Sekeletu vs Jean-Jacques Lubaya