



## COMMONWEALTH BOXING COUNCIL – DECEMBER 2022 CHAMPIONS AND OFFICIAL CONTENDERS.

PLEASE NOTE: Contenders are listed in alphabetical order and not in any order of preference.

GENERAL NOTE : A Champion is required to defend within the time period set against any of the listed contenders in his weight division except in the case where a particular mandatory challenger has been specified, either of such defences to be considered a mandatory defence. Should a Champion wish to defend against a challenger not listed then application must be made to the Hon Secretary of the CBC by him, his manager or a promoter on their behalf. Permission will be granted subject to approval by the CBC of the challenger and such defence will be considered a voluntary defence. The winner will be obliged to make a mandatory defence within the time period specified if this has not already taken place.

Promoters must send copies of contracts to the Hon Secretary together with the appropriate Sanction Fee otherwise the contest may not receive formal sanction. Commissions, federations and other boxing regulatory/sanctioning authorities receiving this notice are requested to advise all interested parties within their jurisdictions and the local press

***Debbie Down***

**Hon Secretary**

### HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION

VACANT

### CONTENDERS

Hemi Ahio	New Zealand
Efe Ajagba	Nigeria
Kash Ali	England
Dave Allen	England
Lucas Browne	Australia
Derek Chisora	England
Justis Huni	Australia
Anthony Joshua	England
Simon Kean	Canada
Kevin Lerena	South Africa
Demsey McKean	Australia
Faiga Opelu	Australia
Joseph Parker	New Zealand
Kris Terzievski	Australia
Fabio Wardley	England
Dillian Whyte	England

KRIS TERZIEVSKI V FAIGA OPELU at a date and venue to be confirmed

**CRUISERWEIGHT CHAMPION**

CHRIS BILLAM-SMITH                      England  
 Won Title 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2019  
 Defended Title 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**CONTENDERS**

Isaac Chamberlain	England
Olanrewaju Durodola	Nigeria
Mikael Lawal	Nigeria/England
David Light	New Zealand
Floyd Masson	Australia
Tommy McCarthy	England
Thabiso Mchunu	South Africa
Richard Riakporhe	England
Ryan Rozicki	Canada
Jason Whateley	Australia

CHRIS BILLAM-SMITH to defend against any of the above by 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023

**LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION**

VACANT

**CONTENDERS**

Sena Agbeko	Ghana
Paulo Aokuso	New Zealand
Lyndon Arthur	England
Dan Azeez	England
Hosea Burton	England
Joshua Buatsi	England
Mickey Ellison	England
Rocky Fielding	England
Willy Hutchinson	Scotland
Jerome Pampellone	New Zealand
Jean Pascal	Canada
Shakan Pitters	England
Craig Richards	England
Bastie Samir	Ghana
Callum Smith	England
Conor Wallace	Australia
Anthony Yarde	England

DAN AZEEZ V ROCKY FIELDING taking place on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2022 in Bournemouth UK

**SUPERMIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION**

MARK HEFFRON                              England  
 Won title 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**CONTENDERS**

Erik Bazinyan	Canada
Zak Chelli	England

Isaac Chilemba	Zambia
Jack Cullen	England
Shakeel Finn	Canada
Christian Mbilli	Cameroon
Paulinus Ndjolonimu	Namibia
Zach Parker	England
Cesar Tapia	Australia

MARK HEFFRON to defend against any of the above by 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023

**MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION**

HAMZAH SHEERAZ                      England  
 Won Title 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**CONTENDERS**

Denzil Bentley	England
John Bopape	South Africa
Steven Butler	Canada
Felix Cash	England
Tyler Denny	England
Danny Dignum	England
Chris Eubank Jnr	England
Anthony Fowler	England
Isaac Hardman	Australia
Nathan Heaney	England
Andrei Mikhailovich	New Zealand
Bradley Rea	England
Steve Rolls	Canada
Linus Udofia	Nigeria
Alex Walters	Australia
Liam Williams	Wales
Michael Zerafa	Australia

HAMZAH SHEERAZ to defend against any of the above by 30th June 2023

**SUPERWELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION**

LOUIS GREENE                              England

**CONTENDERS**

Kieron Conway	England
Brandon Cook	Canada
Sam Eggington	England
Josh Kelly	England
Roarke Knapp	South Africa
Ben Mahoney	Australia
Koen Mazoudier	Australia

James Metcalf	England
Samuel Nmomah	Nigeria
Joe Pigford	England
Keiran Smith	Scotland
Liam Smith	England
Troy Williamson	England

LOUIS GREENE to defend against any of the above by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

#### **WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION**

EKOW ESSUMAN Botswana  
 Won title 24<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
 Last defence 24<sup>th</sup> September 2022

#### **CONTENDERS**

Samuel Antwi	England
Custio Clayton	Canada
Cody Crowley	Canada
Chris Kongo	England
Jabulani Makhense	South Africa
Thulani Mbenge	South Africa
Michael McKinson	England
Harry Scarff	England
Charles Shinima	Namibia
Liam Taylor	England

EKOW ESSUMAN to defend against any of the above by 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023

#### **SUPERLIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPION**

SAM MAXWELL England  
 Won title 28<sup>th</sup> August 2021

#### **CONTENDERS**

Mazlum Akdeniz	Canada
George Ashie	Ghana
Kaisee Benjamin	England
Jack Catterall	England
Steve Claggett	Canada
O'Hara Davies	England
Robbie Davies Jnr	England
Youseff Dib	Australia
Prince Dlomo	South Africa
Harlem Eubank	England
Mathieu Germain	Canada
Sean McComb	Northern Ireland
Tyrone McKenna	Northern Ireland
Xolisani Ndongeni	South Africa
Liam Paro	Australia

Lewis Ritson	England
Dalton Smith	England
Steve Spark	Australia
Yves Ulysse Jnr	Canada

SAM MAXWELL to defend against any of the above by 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023 or title may be declared vacant

#### **LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPION**

SAM NOAKES  
England  
Won title 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022

#### **CONTENDERS**

Mark Chamberlain	England
Richard Commey	Ghana
Gavin Gwynne	Wales
George Kambosos	Australia
Lusanda Komanisi	South Africa
Jeremiah Nakathila	Namibia
Sheriff Quaye	Ghana
Emmanuel Tagoe	Ghana
Craig Woodruff	England

SAM NOAKES to defend against any of the above by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

#### **SUPERFEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPION**

ZELFA BARRETT  
England  
Won title 15<sup>th</sup> June 2019  
Last defence 18<sup>th</sup> December 2021

#### **CONTENDERS**

Felix Ajorn	Ghana
Ibrahim Class Mgender	Tanzania
Dana Coolwell	Australia
Joe Cordina	Wales
Liam Dillon	England
Alex Dilmaghani	England
Paul Fleming	Australia
Azinga Fuzile	South Africa
Rilwan Oladosu	Nigeria
Archie Sharp	England
Lunga Sitemela	South Africa
Oluwaseun Joseph Wahab	Nigeria
Liam Wilson	Australia

ZELFA BARRETT to defend against any of the above by 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023 or title may be declared vacant

LIAM DILLON - MANDATORY – separate circular to follow

**FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPION**

NATHANIEL COLLINS  
Scotland  
Won title 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021  
Last defence 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022

**CONTENDERS**

Qais Ashfaq  
England  
Nick Ball  
England  
Zolisa Batyi  
South Africa  
Michael Conlan  
Northern Ireland  
Loreto Dlamini  
South Africa  
Isaac Dogboe  
Ghana  
Kid Galahad  
England  
Raza Hamza  
England  
Ludumo Lamati  
South Africa  
Peter McGrail  
England  
Josh Wale  
England  
Thomas Patrick Ward  
England  
Josh Warrington  
England

NATHANIEL COLLINS v RAZA HAMZA purse bids in process by BBBoFC Ltd

**SUPERBANTAMWEIGHT CHAMPION**

DENNIS MCCANN  
England  
Wont title 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**CONTENDERS**

Jack Bateson  
England  
Liam Davies  
England  
Sam Goodman  
Australia  
Marc Leach  
England  
Shabaz Masoud  
England  
Fillipus Nghitumbwa  
Namibia  
Hopey Price  
England  
Gamal Yafai  
England  
Khalid Yafai  
England

DENNIS MCCANN to defend against any of the above by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**BANTAMWEIGHT CHAMPION**

VACANT

## CONTENDERS

Andrew Cain	England
Fadhili Majiha	Tanzania
Sean McGoldrick	England
Lee McGregor	Scotland
Jason Moloney	Australia
Manyo Plange	Ghana

**SUPER-FLYWEIGHT CHAMPION**

PRINCE PATEL	England
Won title 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	

## CONTENDERS

Ijaz Ahmed	England
Aliu Bamidele Lasisi	Nigeria
Marcel Braithwaite	England
Elton Dharry	Guyana
Quaise Khademi	England
Andrew Moloney	Australia
Moruti Mthalane	South Africa
Sikho Nqothole	South Africa
Yanga Sigqibo	South Africa

PRINCE PATEL to defend against any of the above or title will automatically be declared vacant on 31st December 2022

**FLYWEIGHT CHAMPION**

VACANT

## CONTENDERS

Connor Butler	England
Phumelele Cafu	South Africa
Jackson Chauke	South Africa
Craig Derbyshire	England
Tommy Frank	England
Jay Harris	Wales
Harvey Horn	England
Immanuel Josef	Namibia
Muhsin Kizota	Tanzania
Fillemon Nghutenanye	Namibia
Muhammed Waseem	Pakistan
Galal Yafai	England

CRAIG DERBYSHIRE V CONNOR BUTLER agreed at a date and venue to be advised

**LIGHT-FLYWEIGHT**

MATT WINDLE	England
Won title 8 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	
Hekkie Budler	South Africa
Deejay Kriel	South Africa
Siphelele Myeza	South Africa
Mpumelelo Tshabalala	South Africa
Nhlanhla Tyirha	South Africa

MATT WINDLE to defend against any of the above by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**TO BE NOTED CAREFULLY**

1. When a Commonwealth Champion wins a 'World' Championship whether or not recognized by the Council or by any individual Member Federation of the Council the relevant Commonwealth Championship shall automatically be declared vacant. It follows that a Commonwealth Champion cannot lose his Championship as a result of losing a 'World' Championship contest when the opponent would otherwise qualify as an eligible contender.
2. In view of varying medical standards and requirements for boxers throughout the Commonwealth, promoters are urged to ensure that boxers from abroad competing for Commonwealth Titles are capable of meeting the standards of the host governing authority.
3. It is the obligation of the Champion and his manager and/or any promoter with whom they are currently working to meet the defence requirements set by the Council. In the event of difficulty in attracting listed contenders the Council will exercise its reasonable discretion but it will be the obligation of the Champion to ensure that there is Championship activity in the relevant weight division.