

Weekly Women's MMA Wrap Up 11/25/09

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Kaitlin Young returns to action on December 11th against Shana Olson at the Treasure Island Casino in Welch, Minnesota

Fight Results

Valerie Coolbaugh (3-3) fought Tara LaRosa (18-1) at Locked in the Cage in Philly. The fight quickly went to the ground, and LaRosa managed to take Vicious Val's back and sink in a rear naked choke in the 1st round.

As expected, stand-up stud Kerry Vera (2-0) easily defeated Kim Couture (1-2) at Strikeforce CS-5. Vera's phenomenal striking was evident and she won by 1st round TKO. Watch for yourself at the bottom of this page.

Uncovered 1: November Reign featured two female fights. Jessica Aguilar (6-3) defeated Amanda Duval (0-3) via 2nd round arm triangle, and Felice Herrig (1-2) defeated Michele Gutierrez (0-1) via 2nd round armbar. Vanessa Mariscal (1-0) was successful in her professional MMA debut, and defeated Jessica Halverson (2-1) via rear naked choke at IFC: Warriors Challenge 26.

MMA legend Megumi Fujii (19-0) defeated Windy Tomomi (12-12-1) by first round armbar at Shooto: Revolutionary Exchanges 3.

Upcoming Fights

Rosary Cailifano is making her MMA debut at Duke City Fight Brawl 2 today (Wednesday). She will be fighting Angelica Chavez (2-0).

Ana Levi is making her professional MMA debut at Shooto Brazil 14. She will be taking on Nova Uniao fighter Claudia Gadelha (1-0).

SharkFights 7 is featuring another female fight! Yadira "Ya Ya" Anzaldúa is making her MMA debut, and is set to fight Brandi Hainey (1-2).

Barb Honchak is making her MMA debut at King of the Cage: Horsepower, taking on former ammy boxer Monica Lavato (4-0).

And two more ladies are making their pro MMA debut at SD Total Combat 5: Alyx Luck and Mary Jo Davis will be fighting each other.

Sneak Preview-December 11th

Muay Thai specialist Kaitlin Young (4-2) is fighting striker Shana Olsen (1-0) at Ironman MMA at the Treasure Island Resort and Casino in Welch, Minnesota less than two weeks after I leave sunny Tucson for the tundra of Wisconsin. I am hoping to cover this fight live, if all goes according to plan. This 140-pound catchweight fight is the first time we'll see Kaitlin Young after she was defeated by Gina Carano in May '08. Although that fight was listed as a medical stoppage, Young herself reported that the doctor cleared her to fight but the commission would not allow it. Young was also not invited to a post-fight news conference and after party or privvy to a post-fight interview, leading many to conclude that the stoppage had more to do with Young's black eye than any actual medical reason. (Incidentally, Monday's New York Times featured an article about the NFL shifting its handling of concussions from doctors and trainers employed by the team to independent neurologists--due to potential conflicts of interest. Having a commission fake a medical stoppage takes the "potential conflict of interest" to a whole new level.) You can also read at www.thesavagescience.com

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