EFC 137 RESULTS

A second EFC title, a remarkable comeback and a message impossible to ignore

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Faeez “Troublemaker” Jacobs is an EFC two-division champion.

In front of an electric WSB EFC Arena, Jacobs survived a brutal opening round against Chadrack Yemba before producing a stunning turnaround, stopping the challenger with strikes in the second to claim the Interim EFC Featherweight Championship.

Jacobs entered the night already holding the EFC Bantamweight Championship. He left with another belt and used his moment on the microphone to send a direct message to the UFC.

A calling that, if they see it, will be difficult to ignore.

The main event was later awarded Fight of the Night, recognition for a championship battle that saw Yemba come agonisingly close to ending it in the opening round before Jacobs produced the comeback.

The night delivered drama throughout the main card. JT Botha spent much of the opening round controlled by former two-time champion Luke Michael before dramatically turning the fight around in the closing moments and finishing Michael with ground-and-pound. German Kokaev and the previously undefeated Josiah Obasi produced an excellent middleweight contest, with Kokaev taking the decision before calling for championship gold and a return in December, while Jason Mackay weathered an aggressive start from Guide Moyo before finding the first-round finish. Both Botha and Mackay earned Performance Bonuses for their victories.

Lewis Mataya completed a successful EFC debut with a hard-fought decision victory over Ayanda Zwane, earning a Performance Bonus in the process. After a Fight Week filled with tension between the two, the lasting image was the tremendous sportsmanship they showed each other after the final bell. Mataya immediately called for another fight in December, while Zwane left his gloves on the Hexagon floor following the bout.

On the preliminary card, Ntando Zondi, Alex Suzuki and Takunda Gorimbo also collected Performance Bonuses. Zondi submitted Sisa Jungula with a third-round armbar, Suzuki found a second-round guillotine against Trevor Mutsila, while Gorimbo produced the fastest finish of the night, knocking out Philani Mbuyazi with a punch just 15 seconds into the opening round.

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MAIN CARD

Featherweight Interim Title
Faeez Jacobs def. Chadrack Yemba via TKO (strikes), Round 2
Fight of the Night

Catchweight
JT Botha def. Luke Michael via TKO (strikes), Round 1, 4:52
Performance Bonus

Middleweight
German Kokaev def. Josiah Obasi via unanimous decision

Lightweight
Jason Mackay def. Guide Moyo via TKO (strikes), Round 1, 2:37
Performance Bonus

Featherweight
Lewis Mataya def. Ayanda Zwane via unanimous decision
Performance Bonus

PRELIMINARY CARD

Catchweight
Ntando Zondi def. Sisa Jungula via submission (armbar), Round 3, 1:29
Performance Bonus

Featherweight
Sibusiso Sovendle def. Roberto Miyaba via unanimous decision

Featherweight
Bruce Mayasi def. Ashwin Zola via unanimous decision

Welterweight
Alex Suzuki def. Trevor Mutsila via submission (guillotine choke), Round 2, 2:11
Performance Bonus

Lightweight
Takunda Gorimbo def. Philani Mbuyazi via KO (punch), Round 1, 0:15
Performance Bonus

Flyweight
Tryford Mwanga def. Lukhmaan Jhazbhay via TKO (strikes), Round 1, 1:57

Lightweight
Stefan Diedericks def. Johnny Koen via KO (elbow), Round 1, 1:29

Welterweight
Boyka Botha def. Rigo Ntumba via unanimous decision

EFC 137 was presented by World Sports Betting and took place at the WSB EFC Arena in Johannesburg, South Africa.

For Faeez Jacobs, two EFC belts may not be the end of the climb.

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