

This Week in Muay Thai: Rematches

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Another week has begun and that means there's some more great Muay Thai taking place in Thailand. This post will be updated with the fights that take place on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and other fights in the near future.

Monday, January 14:

Phetaik Kiatyongyuth vs. Phetmai Lukboonmee

This is a rematch from November and rematches will be a common theme for this week's fights. Phetmai took the win last time out simply by getting the cleaner, higher scoring shots in and did a nice job of neutralizing Phetaik. Phetaik will have to break through Phetmai's defense a lot more this time in order to win.

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Chatchai Kiatyongyuth vs. Chanaphet 91Rungroj

Chatchai last fought on December 24 and lost to Khunsuklek Or Kwanmuang in a good fight. He's pretty aggressive and always one to watch.

Tuesday, January 15:

Phet-Utong Or. Kwanmuang vs. Kaotam Lukprabaht

This is a rematch of their fight from December 24, which saw Kaotam take a decision win in a close fight. While not quite the relentless fighter that his stablemate Saeksan is, Phet-Utong shares some similarities with him in how he likes to leap in with a lot of attacks, particularly his right round kick. Much of their fight last month was contested in the clinch though and that's probably where this one will end up at some point. Kaotam got dumped and swept quite a bit but was able to score the cleaner knees and I actually thought Phet-Utong might've deserved to win so it's good that a rematch is taking place.

Jingreedtong Seatranferry vs. Yodpanomrung SBP Car Network

Yodpanomrung has been on the come up for a while and he's got a fun, exciting style. In November he made it into the Lumpinee rankings for 130lbs at #10. Jingreedtong is still pretty young as well at around 20 years old and in November sat at #4 in the Lumpinee rankings for 130lbs.

Sarawut Phithakpabhadang vs. Yothin Sakaetongresort

Sarawut was originally supposed to rematch Sam-D here but now faces Yothin, who's still a capable fighter. I'd definitely have Sarawut as the favorite here and expect a lot of this fight to be in the clinch. Yothin is no slouch in the clinch but Sarawut is one of the best in that aspect.

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Saenkeng KILA Sport vs. Addam Teded99

These two fought back in June with Saenkeng taking a decision after dropping Addam with an elbow in the fourth round. Both fighters hurt each other with elbows in that fight and I wouldn't be surprised to see another battle like their first encounter in this fight. Addam is usually aggressive and in good fights so I expect this one to be more of the same.

Wednesday, January 16:

Kenfang Por. Puangchon vs. Chusuan Suvitgym

Kenfang was the fighter that Hiroki Ishii made his first defense of his Rajadamnern title against in March. Originally scheduled to fight Aikpikart, he faces a much different opponent now, at 131lbs. Chusuan is very unorthodox and has good timing and footwork that can throw off a lot of fighters.

Kaimookdam Chuwattana vs. Sakmongkon 96Penang

Kaimookdam should be the favorite here and the weights reflect that. Kaimookdam had to weigh in at 120 while Sakmongkon had to make 122. I don't think the weight will be much of a disadvantage for Kaimookdam.

Thursday, January 17

Yodmanoot Phetpotong vs. Phanpayak Jitmuangnont

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Yodmanoot comes off a very nice high kick knockout on December 3. Phanpayak is ranked #3 at Lumpini at 105lbs, where this fight is taking place.

Dej Sor. Ploenjit vs. Saksit Sritheeveth

The #8 and #9 ranked Lumpini fighters at 105lbs. Saksit had to make 102lbs and Dej had to make 103lbs. This is a rematch from December 17 and Dej took the win in a very competitive and action packed fight, although Dej still gets the weight advantage.