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MOST VALUABLE PROMOTIONS' JAKE PAUL VS. JULIO CESAR CHAVEZ JR. PRESS CONFERENCE QUOTES AND PHOTOS

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ANAHEIM, CA – June 26, 2025 – Today at Honda Center in Anaheim, CA, The Problem Child, **Jake “El Gallo de Dorado” Paul** (11-1, 7 KOs) and Mexico’s former champion **Julio Cesar Chavez Jr.** (54-6-1, 34 KOs) met face-to-face for the final press conference ahead of their highly anticipated Most Valuable Promotions (MVP) bout. This event will air live globally on DAZN pay-per-view this Saturday, June 28, from Honda Center in Anaheim, California. Golden Boy Promotions will serve as the show’s official licensed promoter. The event is presented by CELSIUS Live Fit Essential Energy, also sponsored by Event Ticket Center, and Fansly. Tickets are on sale now via [Ticketmaster](#).

In today’s press conference, hosted by reporter and broadcaster **Todd Grisham**, all of the athletes got in their last words ahead of Saturday’s fights. Other participants included Golden Boy’s Mexican WBO & WBA unified cruiserweight champion **Gilberto “Zurdo” Ramirez** (47-1, 30 KOs) and Cuba’s former IBF & WBA cruiserweight world

champion and WBA mandatory challenger **Yuniel Dorticós** (27-2, 25 KOs), undefeated Mexican welterweight standout **Raul “Cugar” Curiel** (15-0-1, 13 KOs), Uruguay’s undefeated sensation **Victor Rodriguez** (16-0-1, 9 KOs), undefeated powerhouse **Avious “Tha Underdog” Griffin** (17-0, 16 KOs), who will make his promotional debut against New Jersey’s welterweight standout **Julian “Hammer Hands” Rodriguez** (23-1, 14 KOs) in a 10-round welterweight showdown at 147 lbs, undefeated WBA International lightweight champion **Floyd “Kid Austin” Schofield** (18-0, 12 KOs) and former IBF super featherweight world champion **Tevin Farmer** (33-8-1, 8 KOs), VP’s latest signee, and former UFC bantamweight champion and boxing powerhouse, Boxrec’s #2 greatest pound-for-pound boxer of all time, **Holly “The Preacher’s Daughter” Holm** (33-2-3, 9 KOs), who will meet Mexico’s undefeated rising prospect, **Yolanda “Pitayita” Vega** (10-0, 1 KO). The fighters were faced off by **Nakisa Bidarian**, CEO and co-founder of MVP, and **Oscar De La Hoya**, chairman and CEO of Golden Boy.

Jake Paul Quotes

On picking Chavez Jr. for this fight

“He’s a great fighter. I like big names, legendary names, and he’s on my path to a world championship. This is a tough test, a very tough test, but I’m here to challenge myself and do big things in this sport and then make a title run after I beat him on Saturday.”

On how much he thinks Chavez Jr has left in the tank

“He’s coming in prepared. They’re saying this is the hardest he’s ever trained, and he’s right...I’m not a good boxer. I’m a great boxer.”

On which fight besides his own he is most excited to see

“This is a stacked card. This is how MVP does it; no one else in boxing is doing it like this. We have amazing fights all the way through. I grew up watching Holly Holm, Floyd Schofield is an incredible talent, and in my first fight, I was on the same card as Tevin Farmer. There’s a lot of history here. This is going to be amazing.”

Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. Quotes

On Jake Paul as a fighter

“No, I don’t think he’s good. I think he tries, he trains hard, but he’s not a good fighter. He’s definitely not a good boxer. If he were a good boxer, then everyone else on this stage would be a legend. I don’t think he’s a good boxer, and everybody knows that.”

On if Jake Paul has gotten under his skin

“No, not really. I was expecting that from him. That’s the only way he can get attention because in boxing, he really has nothing to get presumptuous about.”

On why he's so confident he'll beat Jake Paul

"My preparation, I always prepare to take a win. I'm here to win and that's why I'm so confident that I will win."

Julio Cesar Chavez Sr. Quotes

On what his son needs to do on Saturday

"He knows exactly what to do. Jake Paul just fought against Mike Tyson, who didn't even throw one punch. This is not Mike Tyson. You [Jake] are going to get your ass whooped. Julio is going to go in throwing some serious punches, and you're going to be running like a chicken without a head."

Gilberto "Zurdo" Ramirez Quotes

On what he expects the fight to look like on Saturday

"Saturday night, I expect a war. I expect he comes really prepared. We'll see why Zurdo is the champion, unified"

On if he fears Dorticos' power

"I'm prepared for Doctor K.O."

Yuniel Dorticós Quotes

On if this is his last chance on a stage like this and what he'll do to Zurdo

"I won't keep repeating the same thing, but I'm going to show everyone that 39 years is really nothing."

On if he thinks Zurdo is the best cruiserweight in the world

"He has to show up on Saturday. On Saturday, we're going to have a war."

Raul Curiel Quotes

On what people can expect from him in the ring on Saturday

"My last fight was a fight of the year contender. This fight will not be the exception. I can't wait to put on a show, I'm going to bring war. I'm ready."

On if Rodriguez can handle his power

"We'll see. We have a tremendous camp with Robert Garcia now. I'm very confident in my skills and in the best shape of my career. I'm confident in my skills and can't wait to put on a show."

Victor Rodriguez Quotes

On what he thinks of his opponent

"I don't know much about him, I'm not going to talk about him. I'm going to talk about myself. I'm ready, I did my work and I come representing a very small country, but on Saturday it's going to be a big country."

On his style and if he can stop Curiel

"Of course I think I'm able to stop him. If not, I wouldn't be here. The one thing I can promise is it's going to be a great show."

Avious Griffin Quotes

On what the underdog nickname means to him

"The underdog nickname comes from the lifestyle, coming from where I come from, Chattanooga, TN. A small neighborhood called Little Brighton, a lot of people don't make it out, a lot of people don't make it this far, on stage with Jake Paul, amongst these type of boxers at a high level. It just comes from being doubted and still rising to the occasion every time."

On if he is confident he can stop Rodriguez

"Yes, sir. I'm here to do what I do. He's supposed to be a tough opponent on paper, but I've overcome way more tougher things in life. I done faced murder charges, was innocent, 203-1, all types of things like that so a guy with a pair of gloves on ain't talking about shit."

Julian Rodriguez Quotes

On what he's going to do Saturday night

"I'm coming with everything on Saturday. This is a different level for him. I know what I see. I'm going to exploit all this man's power on Saturday."

Floyd Schofield Quotes

On his thoughts about former champ Farmer

"I was excited. I haven't fought since November. Tevin has been on a good three fight streak. When I got the call, I was just excited and told my dad, 'Take the fight. We're ready.'"

On what happened in Saudi Arabia

"I don't want to get too much into that topic. It is what it is, people may believe it, some not. I didn't get to take the fight, so I'm here now."

On what he'll do to Farmer on Saturday

"Saturday night we're going to see. I feel like he's underestimating me, so we'll see. The second Zepeda fight was a little shaky."

Tevin Farmer Quotes

On what he makes of Floyd Schofield's skills

"Every time I get asked this question, I really have to think. Stepping up to this level, I think nothing of him, but as a young fighter, competing with someone that's not a veteran like me, if he was to compete with someone at his level, I would say he's a great fighter. But stepping up to this level, I don't know.

On why he is not impressed with Schofield

"What does he do great that I haven't seen ever? He's stepping in with Tevin Farmer. I've got so much shit he hasn't seen, I'm going to test his composure, I'm going to test everything about him. There's nothing he can test on me that I haven't been through. He's not stronger than me, he's not smarter than me. You're not (William) Zepeda.

Holly Holm Quotes

On how much she missed boxing

"I just like to follow my heart and my passion. This is what my heart is telling me to do right now, to come back to boxing. Out of all my prior boxing years, I never got to fight at this weight class, and the majority of my entire MMA career was at this weight class. I feel like it's unfinished business to come back and be able to fight in a fourth division and fight for another title."

On if she can be as good as she was when she left the sport

"I think I'm going to be better. I've learned over this last decade, it's not just going back to what I did 10 years ago. It's the fighter that I've become now, and the skill set that I learned throughout the last 10 years. I've been in the gym, so there's time spent, ring time spent, and I'll be a better fighter than I was before."

Yolanda Vega Quotes

On what it means to her to face a legend like Holly Holm

"It's huge pride to have someone like Holly holm with her experience as an opponent, but I think it's going to be time for her to realize this is the time for the new generation. She needs to retire."

On she beats Holly Holm

"The work has been done in the gym, and on Saturday they will realize there is a new Mexican that will give face for the Mexican flag.

About Most Valuable Promotions (MVP)

MVP was founded by Jake Paul and Nakisa Bidarian in 2021. With the mission to provide more creative control to fighters, MVP works to identify, grow, and maximize return for its own events and talent partners. One year into its inception, MVP was nominated as one of the prestigious Sports Breakthroughs of the Year in 2022 by Sports Business Journal. MVP has produced Jake Paul's last six global pay-per-view events, including the recent Paul vs. Perry match. The promotion company also signed one of the most decorated Hispanic athletes of all time, Amanda Serrano, in its first year. Serrano and MVP made history in April 2022 when Serrano went head-to-head with Katie Taylor, marking the first female fight to headline at Madison Square Garden, earning a nomination for Event of The Year by Sports Business Journal. MVP made history again in November 2024 with Jake Paul vs. Mike Tyson and Taylor vs. Serrano 2, the first-ever live professional sports event on Netflix, which became the most-streamed sporting event ever with 108 million live viewers globally. Co-founder Nakisa Bidarian was an executive producer of Paul vs. Tyson and the historic Triller Presents Mike Tyson v. Roy Jones Jr., the 8th most-bought pay-per-view event in history.

About DAZN

DAZN is the home of European football, women's football, boxing and MMA, and the NFL (excl. USA). We are building the ultimate sports entertainment platform, based on premium sports rights, world-leading tech, and multi-platform distribution. DAZN believes that fans from across the globe should be able to watch, read, bet, play, share, socialise, buy tickets and merchandise, all in one place, with one account, one wallet and on one app.

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About Honda Center

Located in the heart of Orange County, Honda Center has remained a premier entertainment and sports venue since its opening in 1993. Home to the 2007 Stanley Cup champion Anaheim Ducks, the arena hosts a variety of events, including sold-out concerts, family entertainment, and thrilling sports competitions. Over the past three decades, Honda Center has remained an iconic and beloved destination for live entertainment in Southern California with over 4,500 events and 45 million guests, paving the way for an even more exciting future. It will anchor the innovative OCVIBE, a 100-acre one-of-a-kind, immersive district designed to bring people together through shared experiences.

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