

## UFC 140 Recap

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UFC 140 has come and gone and what a night it was. There were great and very unexpected endings that will have people talking about this fight card for awhile.

The main event saw light heavyweight champion Jon Jones keep his title after facing a tough test in Lyoto Machida. Jones choked Machida to sleep in the second round with a standing guillotine. Machida went completely limp and Jones showed he can win in a variety of ways.

Machida came out with a nice game plan and won the first round with solid striking. Jones for the first time in a long time seemed a little hesitant. Machida never had him hurt but he did land some powerful punches. That could have been the first round Jones has lost all year long in his fights.

The second round started like the first ended, Machida landing strikes. Jones seemed to have enough of it and took the fight to the ground. From there, he landed some big elbows that

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opened a huge gash on the forehead of Machida. That was the beginning of the end. They made their way back to their feet, Jones bullied him against the cage and sunk in a beautiful choke. Machida was out and the fight was stopped.

The co-main event was a rematch between Frank Mir and Antonio "Big Nog" Nogueira. The first fight was dominated by Mir with crisp striking and ended via knockout. The second matchup started to look like Nogueira would win via knockout as he had Mir rocked and woozy. Mir went down, Big Nog started to pound away on Mir's face, there was a scramble and Mir was on top and in control. Frank was able to transition into a kimura arm lock and Big Nog was close to getting out but fell into the move and made it even worse. Mir then proceeded to literally snap the arm of Nogueira. Broken arm and tap, and Mir win again in what was an unforgettable finish.

My pick for fight of the night instead ended in the fastest knockout in UFC history. Chan Sung Jung only needed seven seconds to finish off Mark Hominick.

Hominick threw a wild shot and missed, Jung blasted him, sent him to the ground and ended the night with some bombs. Seven seconds, say goodnight and say hello to KO of the night.

I love Tito Ortiz and what he has done for the UFC and for the sport of mixed martial arts but enough is enough. It's time to hand 'em up after another loss.

This time, Little Nog was the winner over Tito and the fight wasn't really competitive. Tito has seen his better days and the sport has simply passed him by. Almost fifteen years in the UFC is a very long and impressive time. He has one fight left on his contract and I have no problem with him getting another fight but then that has to be it. As a Tito fan, I just don't want to see him embarrassed again.

Full fight results:

MAIN CARD (Pay-per-view)

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- Jon Jones def. Lyoto Machida via technical submission (standing guillotine choke) - Round 2, 4:26 (to retain light-heavyweight title)
- Frank Mir def. Antonio Rodrigo Nogueira via submission (kimura) - Round 1, 3:38
- Antonio Rogerio Nogueira def. Tito Ortiz via TKO (strikes) - Round 1, 3:15
- Brian Ebersole def. Claude Patrick via split decision (29-28, 28-29, 29-28)
- Chan Sung Jung def. Mark Hominick via TKO (punches) - Round 1, 0:07

### PRELIMINARY CARD (ION Television)

- Igor Pokrajac def. Krzysztof Soszynski via knockout (punches) - Round 1, 0:35
- Constantinos Philippou def. Jared Hamman via knockout (punches) - Round 1, 3:11
- Dennis Hallman def. John Makdessi via submission (rear-naked choke) - Round 1, 2:58
- Yves Jabouin def. Walel Watson via split decision (28-29, 29-28, 30-27)

### PRELIMINARY CARD (Facebook)

- Mark Bocek def. Nik Lentz via unanimous decision (30-27, 30-27, 30-27)
- Jake Hecht def. Rich Attonito via TKO (strikes) - Round 1, 1:10
- John Cholish def. Mitch Clarke via TKO (strikes) - Round 2, 4:36

The next UFC will take place on Friday December 30<sup>th</sup>. After last night's fights and remarkable endings, it has a lot to live up to. I can't wait to see if it can happen.