Boxing – Trotter dominates over Alexandrov

Iain Trotter won all four rounds as he dominated Russian opponent Konstantin Alexandrov.

It was no surprise that the unbeaten Haddington middleweight took the four-round bout 40-36 in front of a packed house at The Royal Highland Centre at Ingliston last weekend.

Trotter appreciated the opportunity and conceded that this was the biggest crowd he had ever appeared in front of.

He got a real buzz from it and, unsurprisingly, Trotter wants more and quickly. The East Lothian-based fighter is determined to move up the rankings.

But his plan – that could change, however, if he is offered a bout – to enjoy Christmas before getting back to business.

Alexandrov was part of his learning process. Trotter faced a durable opponent with a high guard and was reluctant or unwilling to come out of his shell.

He offered little and Trotter was able to pick his punches as the diminutive Russian bobbed and weaved his way around the 22-foot ring. He survived, however, and Trotter moves on. The ambitious Scot revealed he was nervous facing such a big crowd.

That nervousness left him once he started fighting but conceded that that his arms were getting sore punching.

And he said: 'He was a tough guy. I'm a bit sore banging my

hands into his head.

"However, I needed that fight and going the distance was a bonus."