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Tommy McGovern (Bermondsey)

Active: 1947-1953

Weight classes fought in:

Recorded fights: 58 contests (won: 39 lost: 15 drew: 4)



Fight Record

1947

May 8	Charlie Harris (USA)	WPTS(6)	Bronx Forum, New York City USA
		<i>Source: Boxing News</i>	
Jun 25	Fox Williams	WRSF2	New York City USA
		<i>Source: Boxing News</i>	
Jul 11	Donald Murray (USA)	WPTS(6)	Madison Square Garden, New York City USA
		<i>Source: Boxing News 30/07/1947 page 12</i>	
Jul 11	Donald Murray (New Rochelle USA)	WPTS(6)	Madison Square Garden, New York City USA
		<i>Source: Boxing News 30/07/1947 page 12</i>	
		<i>McGovern 9st 9lbs Murray 9st 10lbs</i>	
Aug 25	Phil Terranova	LPTS	USA
		<i>Source: Boxing News</i>	
Sep 22	Jimmy Warren (USA)	LPTS(8)	New York City USA
		<i>Source: Boxing News</i>	

Oct Jimmy Warren WPTS USA

Source: *Boxing News*

1948

Mar 25 Billy Barton (Liverpool) WPTS(8) East India Hall, Poplar

Source: *Boxing News* 07/04/1948 page 13

Match made at 9st 12lbs McGovern 9st 9lbs Barton 9st 9lbs

Apr 12 Johnny Fitzpatrick (Doncaster) WRTD6(8) Manor Place Baths, Walworth

Source: *Boxing News* 21/04/1948 page 11

McGovern 9st 10lbs Fitzpatrick 9st 12lbs

Apr 16 Ben Duffy (Jarrow) LPTS(10) Belle Vue, Manchester

Source: *Boxing News* 21/04/1948 page 14

McGovern 9st 8lbs 12ozs Duiffy 9st 5lbs 12ozs

May 17 Claude Dennington (Peckham) LPTS(8) Fratton Park, Portsmouth

Source: *Boxing News* 26/05/1948 pages 14 and 15

Dennington was South Eastern Area Lightweight Champion 1948-49.

McGovern 9st 10lbs 4ozs Dennington 9st 9lbs

Promoter: Harry Garcia Attendance: 8000

Aug 10 George Daly (Blackfriars) WPTS(8) Selhurst Park Football Ground, Sydenham

Source: *Boxing News* 18/08/1948 pages 14 and 15

Daly boxed a British Lightweight Title Eliminator twice in 1935.

McGovern 9st 9lbs 12ozs Daly 9st 9lbs 8ozs

Attendance: 10000

Sep 2 Morry Jones (Liverpool) WKO10(10) Stadium, Liverpool

Source: *Boxing News* 08/09/1948 page 14

McGovern 9st 11lbs 8ozs Jones 9st 9lbs 8ozs

Nov 8 Freddie Smith (Sheffield) WPTS(8) Arena, Harringay

Source: *Boxing News* 10/11/1948 page 15

McGovern 9st 10lbs 6ozs

Nov 30 Tommy Barton (Mile End) WKO2(10) Manor Place Baths, Walworth

Source: *Boxing News* 15/12/1948 page 12

(South Eastern Area Lightweight Title Final Eliminator)

McGovern 9st 7lbs 12ozs Barton 9st 7lbs 8ozs

1949

Jan 10 Bert Hornby (Bolton) WPTS(8) Town Hall, Leeds

Source: *Boxing News* 19/01/1949 page 14

Hornby boxed for the Central Area (North) Lightweight Title 1949.

Match made at 9st 11lbs McGovern 9st 9lbs 12ozs Hornby 9st 12lbs

Hornby overweight and paid forfeit

Jan 24 Solly Cantor (Canada) LPTS(8) Royal Albert Hall, Kensington

Source: *Boxing News* 26/01/1949 page 15

McGovern 9st 9lbs 4ozs Cantor 9st 9lbs 8ozs

- Feb 21 Harry Hughes (Wishaw) LPTS(8) Royal Albert Hall, Kensington**
Source: Boxing News 23/02/1949 page 15
Hughes boxed for the British Lightweight Title 1949 and was Scottish Area Lightweight Champion 1947-51.
McGovern 9st 10lbs Hughes 9st 10lbs
- Apr 5 Vernon Ball (Cwmparc) DRAW(8) High Road Baths, Leyton**
Source: Boxing News 13/04/1949 page 14
Ball boxed for the Welsh Lightweight Title 1948.
McGovern 9st 10lbs 4ozs Ball 9st 10lbs
- May 2 Freddie Smith (Sheffield) WPTS(8) Town Hall, Leeds**
Source: Boxing News 18/05/1949 page 12
McGovern 9st 11lbs Smith 9st 10lbs 8ozs
- May 30 Jimmy Toweel (South Africa) DRAW(8) Empress Stadium, Earls' Court**
Source: Boxing News 01/06/1949 page 15
McGovern 9st 10lbs 4ozs Toweel 9st 11lbs 8ozs
- Jul 12 George Daly (Blackfriars) WRSF6(12) Selhurst Park Football Ground, Sydenham**
Source: Boxing News 20/07/1949 page 13
(South Eastern Area Lightweight Title)
McGovern 9st 7lbs 12ozs Daly 9st 7lbs 14ozs
- Sep 6 Jim Keery (Lisburn) WPTS(8) Arena, Harringay**
Source: Boxing News 14/09/1949 pages 13 and 14
Keery boxed for the Northern Ireland Lightweight Title 1940 and 1950.
McGovern 9st 8lbs 8ozs Keery 9st 10lbs
- Oct 17 Arthur King (Canada) LPTS(10) Royal Albert Hall, Kensington**
Source: Boxing News 26/10/1949 page 7
Match made at 9st 11lbs
- Nov 14 Ben Duffy (Jarrow) WRTD2 Manor Place Baths, Walworth**
Source: Boxing News 23/11/1949 page 11
Duffy boxed for the Northern Area Featherweight Title 1945 and 1946 and 1949.
McGovern 9st 10lbs 12ozs Duffy 9st 11lbs
- Nov 28 Al Wilburn (Hickleton Main) WPTS(8) Manor Place Baths, Walworth**
Source: Boxing News 07/12/1949 page 11
McGovern 9st 10lbs 4ozs Wilburn 9st 12lbs

1950

- Jan 9 Chris Jenkins (Stourbridge) WPTS(8) Manor Place Baths, Walworth**
Source: Boxing News 18/01/1950 page 7
Jenkins was West Midlands Area Lightweight Champion 1948.
McGovern 9st 11lbs Jenkins 9st 9lbs 4ozs
- Jan 31 Ellis Ask (Finland) WPTS(8) Empress Stadium, Earls' Court**
Source: Boxing News 08/02/1950 page 7
Match made at 9st 12lbs McGovern 9st 10lbs 8ozs Ask 9st 10lbs 12ozs
Promoter: Bill Goodwin & Alf Hart

Feb 27 Frank Parkes (Nottingham) WPTS(8) Manor Place Baths, Walworth

Source: *Boxing News* 08/03/1950 page 13

Parkes was North Midlands Area Lightweight Champion 1949-50 and Midlands Area Lightweight Champion 1953-56.

McGovern 9st 11lbs 6ozs Parkes 9st 11lbs

Apr 4 Peter Fallon (Birkenhead) WPTS(12) Royal Albert Hall, Kensington

Source: *Boxing News* 12/04/1950 page 7

(British Lightweight Title Final Eliminator)

Fallon boxed for the British Welterweight Title 1953 and was North Central Area Lightweight Champion 1949 and Central Area Lightweight Champion 1950.

McGovern 9st 7lbs 12ozs Fallon 9st 7lbs 4ozs

Apr 19 Alberto Diori (Italy) WPTS(8) Manor Place Baths, Walworth

Source: *Boxing News* 26/04/1950 page 13

McGovern 9st 11lbs 4ozs Diori 9st 10lbs 12ozs

Promoter: Jack Solomons

May 1 Chris Jenkins (Stourbridge) WRTD5 Winter Gardens, Malvern

Source: *Boxing News* 10/05/1950 page 11

McGovern 9st 11lbs 8ozs Jenkins 9st 12lbs 6ozs

cut eye

Jul 11 Billy Thompson (Hickleton Main) LPTS(15) Sun Street Greyhound Stadium, Hanley

Source: *Boxing News* 19/07/1950 page 11

(British Lightweight Title)

Thompson was British Lightweight Champion 1947-51 and European Lightweight Champion 1948-49.

McGovern 9st 7lbs 11ozs Thompson 9st 8lbs 10ozs

Sep 13 Morty Kelleher (Ireland) WRSF6(8) Arena, Mile End

Source: *Boxing News* 20/09/1950 page 14

McGovern 9st 10lbs 4ozs Kelleher 9st 9lbs 4ozs

Oct 7 Mickey O'Neill (Belfast) WPTS(10) King's Hall, Belfast

Source: *Boxing News* 08/11/1950 page 12

O'Neill was Northern Ireland Area Lightweight Champion 1949-52.

McGovern 9st 9lbs 12ozs O'Neill 9st 11lbs 12ozs

Promoter: George Connell

Dec 5 Tommy Barnham (Fulham) WPTS(12) Empress Stadium, Earls' Court

Source: *Boxing News* 13/12/1950 page 5

(Southern Area Lightweight Title)

Barnham boxed a British Lightweight Title Eliminator 1952 and was Southern Area Lightweight Champion 1952.

McGovern 9st 8lbs 12ozs Barnham 9st 7lbs 10ozs

1951

Jan 16 Allan Tanner (British Guiana) LPTS(8) Ice Rink, Streatham

Source: *Boxing News* 24/01/1951 page 5

McGovern 9st 10lbs 12ozs Tanner 9st 9lbs

- Mar 1 Des Garrod (Paddington) WRSF(8) Romford Road Baths, West Ham**
Source: Boxing News 07/03/1951 page 7
 McGovern 9st 10lbs Garrod 9st 11lbs
 cut eye
- Mar 20 Frank Parkes (Nottingham) WPTS(8) Empress Stadium, Earls' Court**
Source: Boxing News 28/03/1951 page 11
 McGovern 9st 11lbs 12ozs Parkes 9st 12lbs
- Apr 23 Maurice Mancini (Leamington) WRSF(8) Palais de Danse, Wimbledon**
Source: Boxing News 02/05/1951 page 10
 Mancini was Southern Central Area Lightweight Champion 1949.
 McGovern 9st 12lbs 8ozs Mancini 9st 10lbs 8ozs
 Promoter: Moss promotions
- Jul 23 Emmett Kenny (St Helens) WPTS(8) Football Ground, Gravesend**
Source: Boxing News 01/08/1951 page 11
- Aug 28 Billy Thompson (Hickleton Main) WKO1(15) Greyhound Stadium, Wandsworth**
Source: Boxing News 05/09/1951 pages 12 and 13
(British Lightweight Title)
 McGovern 9st 8lbs 8ozs Thompson 9st 8lbs 12ozs
 Attendance: 6000
- Nov 6 Roy Ankarah (Gold Coast) LPTS(10) Empress Stadium, Earls' Court**
Source: Boxing News 14/11/1951 page 7
 Match made at 9st 11lbs McGovern 9st 10lbs 12ozs Ankarah 9st 2lbs 10ozs
- Dec 11 Allan Tanner (British Guiana) WPTS(10) Royal Albert Hall, Kensington**
Source: Boxing News 19/12/1951 page 7
 Match made at 9st 11lbs
 Promoter: Jack Cappell

1952

- Mar 20 Jorgen Johansen (Denmark) DRAW(15) Copenhagen Denmark**
Source: Boxing News
(European Lightweight Title)
- Apr 22 Hoacine Khalfi (Algeria) LPTS(8) Arena, Harringay**
Source: Boxing News 30/04/1952 page 5
 McGovern 9st 10lbs 12ozs Khalfi 9st 9lbs 12ozs
- Jun 11 Cliff Anderson (British Guiana) WPTS(10) Coney Beach Arena, Porthcawl**
Source: Boxing News 18/06/1952 page 11
 McGovern 9st 8lbs 8ozs Anderson 9st 7lbs 4ozs
 Promoter: Cynydd Beynon
- Jul 26 Frank Johnson (Manchester) LPTS(15) Belle Vue, Manchester**
Source: Boxing News 30/07/1952 pages 11 and 12
(British Lightweight Title)
 Johnson was British Lightweight Champion 1952-53 and British Light-Heavyweight
 Champion 1955-56 and British Empire Lightweight Champion 1953.
 McGovern 9st 9lbs Johnson 9st 5lbs 10ozs

- Oct 13 Emmett Kenny (St Helens) **WPTS(8)** **N.S.C., Mayfair**
Source: Boxing News 22/10/1952 page 13
McGovern 9st 11lbs Kenny 9st 11lbs 4ozs
- Nov 13 Claude Dennington (Peckham) **WPTS(8)** **Pier Pavilion, Hastings**
Source: Boxing News 19/11/1952 page 12
McGovern 9st 12lbs Dennington 9st 13lbs 8ozs
- Nov 24 Frank Parkes (Nottingham) **WPTS(8)** **Winter Gardens, Weston-super-Mare**
Source: Boxing News 03/12/1952 pages 12 and 13
McGovern 9st 11lbs Parkes 9st 9lbs 8ozs
- Dec 2 Ricky McCulloch (Belfast) **WPTS(8)** **Baths Hall, Ipswich**
Source: Boxing News 10/12/1952 page 14
McCulloch was Northern Ireland Area Lightweight Champion 1953.
McGovern 9st 12lbs McCulloch 9st 11lbs
- Dec 15 Tom Bailey (Liverpool) **WPTS(10)** **Free Trade Hall, Manchester**
Source: Boxing News 24/12/1952 page 15
Bailey boxed a British Featherweight Title Eliminator twice in 1951 and 1952 and was Central Area Featherweight Champion 1951.
McGovern 9st 10lbs Bailey 9st 10lbs

1953

- Jan 20 Joe Lucy (Mile End) **LPTS(12)** **Royal Albert Hall, Kensington**
Source: Boxing News 28/01/1953 pages 4 and 5
(Southern Area Lightweight Title)
Lucy was British Lightweight Champion 1953-55 and 1956-57.
Referee: Jack Hart
- Feb 9 Johnny Mahlangu (South Africa) **WPTS(8)** **High Road Baths, Leyton**
Source: Boxing News 18/02/1953 page 12
McGovern 9st 11lbs 12ozs Mahlangu 9st 13lbs 4ozs
- Apr 20 Jacques Prigent (France) **LPTS(10)** **Royal Albert Hall, Kensington**
Source: Boxing News 29/04/1953 pages 5 and 13
McGovern 9st 12lbs Prigent 9st 9lbs 12ozs
- May 18 Solly Cantor (Canada) **DRAW(8)** **Embassy Sportsdrome, Birmingham**
Source: Boxing News 27/05/1953 page 12
McGovern 9st 11lbs 14ozs Cantor 9st 10lbs 12ozs
- Sep 29 Joe Lucy (Mile End) **LPTS(15)** **Empress Stadium, Earls' Court**
Source: Boxing News 07/10/1953 pages 5 and 12
(British Lightweight Title)
McGovern 9st 9lbs Lucy 9st 9lbs
Referee: Fred Blakeborough

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