**ARE WE RECORDING?**

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**NXT STARTS WITH A VIDEO PACKAGE OF ANDRADE CIEN ALMAS**

* **It shows when he was partying, then Zelina shows up in the crowd, then she slaps him, then he becomes champion. It was great story telling, which is what’s missing on Raw & SmackDown**
* **Then we see the feud between Gargano & Almas, which leads to the win or leave NXT match.**

**VELVETEEN DREAM COMES OUT**

* **He gets in the ring and grabs a mic so I thought we were getting a promo, but then No Way Jose comes out and I realize I forgot about this match being scheduled.**
* **Dream gets the win after hitting The Purple Rainmaker.**
* **After the match, Velveteen Dream gets on the mic and says he’s the male competitor of the year, overall competitor of the year, and he had match of the year.**

**WILLIAM REGAL ANNOUNCES THE 3RD DUSTY RHODES TAG TEAM CLASSIC**

* **Regal says the winners of the tournament will face the NXT Tag Team Champions at TakeOver New Orleans**
* **Mauro Ranallo then ponders who will win (AUDIO)**
* **Let’s look at the bracket…who do you have?**

**NIKKI CROSS VS VANESSA BORNE**

* **I don’t know if we’ve ever seen Borne’s entrance but she has good music and a very sexual entrance…it was really hot.**
* **Nikki gets the win and hopefully she’s in the title hunt at TakeOver.**

**ALMAS VS GARGANO FOR THE NXT CHAMPIONSHIP**

* **This time, Gargano’s wife Candace LaRae is in his corner.**
* **Zelina Vega gets involved early in the match, so Candace dives through the ropes onto Vega. Candace then chases her to the back.**
* **Mid-match, Almas puts Johnny in the Gargano Escape, but Johnny eventually rolls out of it. Ranallo screamed, “If anyone knows how to get out of the Gargano Escape, it’s Gargano!”**
* **Gargano then tries for Cien’s Hammerlock DDT but Almas escapes out of it!**
* **Almas then attempts the Hammerlock DDT with Gargano’s legs hanging off the top rope, but Gargano escapes, throws Almas outside the ring and then dives outside the ring, hitting a Tornado DDT.**
* **Almas accidently knocks out the ref, Johnny locks in the Gargano Escape on Almas, but then Ciampa appears in the ring and hits his former BFF with his crutch again. Ranallo was basically crying at this point.**
* **Almas picks up Gargano, hits the Hammerlock DDT, and pins him to retain his championship and kick Johnny Wrestling out of NXT.**
* **After the match, Candace comes out to console her husband, and the crowd chants, “Thank you Johnny” and my heart broke when Gargano stood up and told the fans, “I’m sorry.”**
* **The final shot we see is Ciampa waving goodbye from the crowd.**

**WORST DRESSED: Velveteen Dream**

**BEST DRESSED: Vanessa Borne**

**WORST MOMENT: No Way Jose**

 **BEST MOMENT: Tornado DDT**

**THINGS WE TALK ABOUT**

* **Kairi Sane and Shayna Baszler will face each other next week. Ranallo was recapping what happened last week and said, “Kairi Sane pounced on Baszler like Black Panther did to it’s box office competition!”**

**FAN QUESTIONS**

**TAKEOVER PREDICTIONS**

* **Thanks Fabio Morabito**
* **Thank you Ryan Henslee for making the PPV prediction title. Get yours at Ry’s Championship Design on Facebook!**