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SMACKDOWN OPENS WITH NICK ALDIS

* He’s there to introduce Cody Rhodes in the most boring way possible. (AUDIO)
* I guess Aldis doesn’t like Cody either.
* Cody comes out and Aldis tells him that his challenger for King & Queen of the Ring has been determined.
* The music hits and out walks the United States Champion Logan Paul.
* “So, Logan Paul…I think I know what you wanna talk about.”
* Logan says, “Main eventing the King & Queen of the Ring PLE, Champion vs. Champion, against Cody Rhodes, to truly kickoff the Logan Paul Levesque Era.” Is Logan marrying Triple H?
* Logan says he had the greatest rookie year of all-time, which is probably true.
* Logan tells Cody, “You won the 2023 Royal Rumble, but everyone was talking about my viral collision with Ricochet. You won at WrestleMania, but everyone was talking about IShowSpeed & Prime. My ideas and my moments, and look who’s taking all the credit.”
* The Pennsylvania crowd chants PRIME SUCKS so Logan tells them to shut up.
* He says him & Cody both debuted at WrestleMania 3 years ago…except it was 2 years ago and Cody didn’t debut, he returned.
* Logan says, “How can you finish the story when it’s not even your story? How about me knocking you out, pinning you on my logo, and walking out of Saudi Arabia as the Undisputed WWE Champion?”
* Cody responds with, “I assume people stand across from you and assume what a dumbass. I’m not gonna call you a podcaster or influencer. You went toe to toe with Floyd Mayweather. You won the United States Championship. If I won that United States Championship, that would make me a Grand Slam Champion.”
* Logan raises the mic to talk, but Cody grabs his hand to stop him.
* Cody says, “You can’t go a single match without grabbing those brass knucks. You’re taking credit for something, but this is a team…and at the QUEEN & King of the Ring, you’re going to find out where you stand on that team.”
* I’m sure this match will be really good, but this segment was so disappointing.

NAOMI VS NIA JAX

* First Round match in the Queen of the Ring Tournament
* A QR code popped on the screen during the match
* Nia gave Naomi a Samoan Drop on the floor.
* Naomi gave Nia the Heatseeker and hit the Split Legged Moonsault, but Nia kicked out.
* Nia was sitting on the top rope and Naomi gave her a Hurricanrana.
* In the end, Nia gave Naomi a Powerbomb, a Leg Drop, and then the Annihilator for the win.

CARMELO HAYES VS BARON CORBIN

* First Round match in the King of the Ring Tournament
* Presented by The Iron Claw now streaming on Max!
* Hayes talked shit to Corbin backstage before the match.
* Is Corbin a babyface now?
* Corbin gave Melo a Suplex but turned it into a Cutter.
* Corbin went for End of Days, but Melo countered and won with a…ROLLUP!

JADE CARGILL VS PIPER NIVEN

* First Round match in the Queen of the Ring Tournament
* They start out by taking turns running into each other until finally Jade knocks Piper down.
* Jade is still very limited so they had Piper dominate most of the match with basic moves.
* Jade made a comeback and hit a pair of Stinger Splashes and then knocked Chelsea Green off the apron.
* Piper hit a Cannonball in the corner and went for the Vader Bomb, but Jade pulled her down, hit a Pump Kick and then the Jaded for the win.
* Corey Graves acted like Jade was picking up Yokozuna
* After the match, Jade’s tag partner Bianca Belair came out for her match.

BIANCA BELAIR VS CANDICE LERAE

* First Round match in the Queen of the Ring Tournament
* Candice went for a Hurricanrana from the apron to the floor, but Belair caught her and swung her into the barricade.
* Indi Hartwell tripped Belair as she was getting back in the ring.
* Cool ending…
* Candice went for the Lionsault, but Belair grabbed her when she went to the 2nd rope and hit the KOD for the win.
* I wonder if they’ll burn Belair vs. Jade in the semi-finals.
* Either way, Jade’s gotta win Queen of the Ring and Belair’s gotta turn on her out of jealousy.
* They’ll be introduced in their tag team matches like, “Bianca Belair, and the Queen of the Ring Jade Cargill!”

VIDEO PROMO FROM SHINSUKE NAKAMURA

* Everything on SmackDown is about to change and it will never be the same again.
* Sure it will…

BACKSTAGE

* Solo Sikoa tells Paul Heyman, “I spoke to Roman Reigns and until he comes back, I’m in charge of the Bloodline.”
* Solo hugs Heyman and says, “I love you Wiseman.”

TAMA TONGA VS ANGELO DAWKINS

* First Round match of the King of the Ring Tournament
* Dawkins replaced Bobby Lashley due to injury…but it’s probably bullshit because they don’t want Lashley losing a match.
* Solo hopped on the apron early and Dawkins knocked him down and then Montez Ford jumped off the apron to land on Solo & Tanga Loa.
* Dawkins hit the Urah-Urah Slam, but Tonga kicked out.
* Then, Solo gave Ford the Samoan Spike, and then Tonga hit Dawkins with a Facelift for the win.
* After the match, Solo gave Dawkins the Samoan Spike and Heyman shit himself because he knows where that thumb has been.

AJ STYLES VS RANDY ORTON

* First Round match in the KOTR Tournament
* These two always have really great matches.
* Orton dropped Styles on the apron and then the announce table, but the fans chanted ONE MORE TIME and Orton obliged.
* Styles went after Randy’s leg and gave him a big chop block outside the ring.
* Orton went for the Draping DDT, but Styles countered and went for the Calf Crusher, but Orton rolled through it.
* Orton whipped Styles into the ropes and went for the Powerslam, but Styles held onto the ropes.
* Styles went for the Phenomenal Forearm, but Orton knocked him off the top rope.
* AJ locked in the Calf Crusher, put Orton put AJ in a chokehold so that AJ would let go.
* Orton hit the Draping DDT and went for the RKO, but Styles avoided it.
* AJ hit the Phenomenal Forearm, but Orton grabbed the bottom rope to break the pin.
* AJ setup for the Styles Clash, but Orton countered and won with the 3 most dangerous letters in sports entertainment RKO.

RAW OPENS WITH DREW MCINTYRE

* It was all one long shot starting with Drew backstage and ending with him in the ring.
* Michael Cole called Drew a hypocrite, so Drew leaned over the announce table and Pat McAfee yelled, “He just called you a hypocrite!”
* The fans chant CM PUNK and Drew says, “Maybe if we were in Atlanta or Charlotte, but Punk’s not gonna show up in Greensboro. He only makes the big towns brothers!”
* Drew is so fucking great (AUDIO)
* He says, “Punk constantly breaks your trust but you all keep taking him back. It’s like an abusive relationship. I don’t like talking about people like they’re stupid, but if you’re a CM Punk fan, you’re stupid!”
* Drew moves onto Damian Priest and calls him a paper champion, so Priest comes out and says, “Say it to my face.”
* Drew tells Priest, “You paid your dues and deserve success, you just don’t deserve to be champion. This is the case of the title making the man rather than the man making the title. It needs Drew McIntyre. You knew you couldn’t beat me one on one so you had to use that briefcase.”
* Priest says, “Did you not choose this life? Are you a WWE superstar?”
* The fans do the WHAT chant and Drew says, “I’ve been a WWE superstar since I was 21. Say WHAT if you think he’s a BS champion!” and of course they do and Drew points and laughs at Priest.
* Priest says, “You should look in front of the mirror and then blame that asshole. I wanted to cash in on Seth Rollins, and then you and I could’ve went to war at WrestleMania…but you stopped me from cashing in multiple times. That’s on you. When you won at Mania you should’ve just left with your wife, but you had to rub it in Punk’s face. You made Punk more important than yourself, this championship, and your wife. But your elbow’s gonna heal, and you want a shot at the world title…fine. You got it, but you can call me a paper champion all you want, but when I’m done with you, you’re gonna eat those words. Now ya’ll can rise to that.”

IYO SKY VS SHAYNA BASZLER

* Quarterfinals match in the Queen of the Ring Tournament
* They showed that Baszler beat Maxxine in the first round at a house show.
* This was pretty damn good.
* Iyo did her pose on the ropes, but Shayna hopped on the apron and threw Iyo to the floor.
* Another QR code…
* Shayna went for her arm stomp, but Iyo got out of it.
* Iyo hit a Springboard Moonsault to Shayna on the outside.
* Iyo went for the Moonsault finisher, but Shayna put her feet up, but Iyo caught them.
* Iyo went for a bridge rollup, but Shayna countered with the Kirifuda Clutch, but Iyo rolled through and locked in the STF, but Shayna powered out.
* Shayna went for a big knee strike, but Iyo blocked it.
* Iyo hit the Over the Moonsault for the win.
* After the match, Jackie Redmond tries to interview Iyo, but Iyo grabs the mic and I assume she said that she’s the next Queen of the Ring.

BACKSTAGE

* Priest is once again upset that Carlito is in Judgment Day’s locker room, but Carlito tells Priest that he can be an asset to them.

KOFI KINGSTON VS GUNTHER

* Quarterfinals match in the KOTR Tournament
* But first, Samantha Irvin says, “Please welcome back Lillian Garcia!”
* Lillian tells Samantha, “You’re doing an amazing job,” and then she shows Samantha how it’s done.
* Kofi dropkicked Gunther off the apron during the Ring General’s entrance.
* Kofi hit a Suicide Dive and attacked Gunther’s knee for a few minutes before the match even started.
* Kofi hit a top rope Leg Drop, but Gunther kicked out.
* Gunther put Kofi in a Boston Crab on top of the announce table.
* Kofi went for Trouble in Paradise, but Gunther countered with a Powerbomb and then made Kofi tap to the Boston Crab.
* It’s going to be Gunther vs. Orton in the KOTR finals.

BACKSTAGE

* Karrion Kross tells Kofi, “Tough loss, but don’t worry. There’s always time to turn things around.”

ALSO BACKSTAGE

* Adam Pearce tells Awesome Truth that he’s looking for a tag team to go up against them.
* In walks pornstar Kiana James (BUST A NUT)
* Kiana tells Pearce, “I’m looking forward to working under your tutelage. I’m here to leverage this opportunity to its fullest and prove to you why I’m exactly the 1%.”
* Pearce says, “If you need anything at all, do not hesitate to call on me.”
* Kiana says, “Don’t worry, I never hesitate, I adjudicate.”
* Kiana leaves and Truth says, “I don’t even know if that’s PG.”

ALSO-ALSO BACKSTAGE

* Jackie interviews Lyra Valkyria
* Lyra says she’ll always back up Becky Lynch.
* Becky walks up and thanks her for last week and then leaves.
* Liv Morgan walks up and asks Lyra, “Has Becky always been such a bitch?”
* Lyra says, “Why don’t you ask her yourself?”
* Liv turns around and Becky punches Liv but it looked awful.
* Becky says Liv, “I’m not the one who’s scared of a face to face fight bitch.”

ALSO-ALSO-ALSO BACKSTAGE

* Chad Gable tells Otis, “I don’t want the funny man. No worm tonight against Sami Zayn.”
* Gable tells Tozawa he has a match later and he better not do the worm.
* Ivy Nile tells Maxxine, “I could’ve helped you train for your match with Shayna,” but Maxxine says, “Coach Gable doesn’t want me training outside the academy.”
* Gable tells Maxxine to go train and she walks away.
* Gable tells Ivy, “You have potential. You want a piece of advice? Stop wasting your time with Taylor not so Swift over there.”

BRONSON REED VS TOZAWA

* With Chad Gable ringside
* Tozawa does well at first and Gable yells, “I taught him that!”
* But then, Tozawa rips his shirt like Hulk Hogan and Gable yells, “I didn’t teach him that!”
* Reed wins with the Tsunami and Gable yells at Tozawa after the match.

BACKSTAGE

* Jackie Redmond asks Pearce why Bron Breakker wasn’t put in the KOTR Tournament and he says it’s because he didn’t want to throw him into the deep end right away and the other men in the tournament earned their spots.
* Then, Breakker walks in and says, “They would’ve been in the deep end with me. I would’ve drug them all underwater and watch them drown and smiled. I should’ve been in the damn tournament.”

ZOEY STARK VS LYRA VALKYRIA

* Quarterfinal match in the QOTR Tournament
* Stark went for the Go To Tits, but Lyra blocked it and hit the Nightwing for the win.
* Jackie interviews Lyra after the match, and Lyra says some Irish shit and says, “You’ll find out what that means…”

OTIS VS SAMI ZAYN

* With Chad Gable ringside
* Otis teases The Worm, Gable hops on the apron and tells him not to, but Otis does it anyway and it works.
* Otis goes for the Vader Bomb, but Sami moves out of the way and hits the Heluva Kick for the win.
* Gable yells at Otis after the match, but Sami attacks Gable and goes for the Heluva Kick, but Gable rolled out of the ring.
* Otis helped Gable up, but Gable slapped the hell out of Otis.

BACKSTAGE

* Braun Strowman is talking with the Creed Brothers & Ivy Nile, when JD McDonagh walks up.
* JD tells Braun, “You’re sticking your nose in Judgment Day business, so consider yourself warned.”

DAKOTA KAI VS BECKY LYNCH

* Dakota did her Curbstomp like move with Becky leaning over the 2nd rope.
* Becky hit her Leg Drop off the 2nd rope while Dakota was leaning over the 2nd rope.
* In the end, Dakota went for a rollup, but Becky kicked out and put Dakota in the Disarmer, but Kairi Sane & Iyo attacked Becky for the DQ.
* Lyra Valkyria ran out for the save and Damage CTRL eventually retreated.
* But then, Liv Morgan showed up and threw Becky into the ring post.
* Lyra went after Liv, but Liv rolled out of the ring…making it impossible for Lyra to follow her.

FINN BALOR & JD MCDONAGH VS NEW CATCH REPUBLIC VS THE CREED BROTHERS VS AOP

* World Tag Team Championship #1 Contender Fatal Fourway match
* Only two legal men at a time
* JD & Tyler Bate start us off.
* Bate put his legs on JD’s shoulders and walked with his hands…and JD walked with him. (STUPID)
* AOP randomly got in the ring to slam everyone.
* Julius Creed takes everyone to Suplex City.
* Only 2 legal men, but everyone can get in the ring whenever they want.
* Julius gave Balor a top rope Superplex.
* Brutus hit a Brutus Ball from the top rope to the outside on Pete Dunne, Rezar, & his brother Julius.
* Bate spun Rezar around…
* Dunne was about to put McDonagh through the announce table, but JD was saved by Carlito, who gave Dunne a Backstabber on the table.
* Balor hit Dunne with the Coup de Grace for the win.
* Judgment Day vs. Awesome Truth for the World Tag Titles in Saudi.
* Backstage, Priest tells Carlito, “That was cool, but you’re gonna handle your business with Rey, right? Because the Judgment Day doesn’t roll with cowards.”

ILJA DRAGUNOV VS JEY USO

* Quarterfinal match in the KOTR Tournament
* Before the match, Dragunov said he’s going to beat Jey and move onto Gunther and he points out that he’s already beaten Gunther in NXT.
* Then, Gunther walks up and they have a brief staredown.
* Also before the match, Nerd Ricochet wishes Dragunov good luck.
* Jey’s entrance is awesome compared to Dragunov’s.
* Dragunov went for the H-Bomb with Jey laying on the announce table, but Jey moved.
* Jey’s ear started bleeding at some point.
* Dragunov hit the H-Bomb, but his hand hurts because Jey kicked it earlier.
* Dragunov went for the Torpedo Moscow, but Jey countered with a Spear and the Uso Splash for the win.
* After the match, Gunther walks out, smiles at Dragunov, and then gets in the ring to get face to face with Jey.
* Jey started doing his dance as the show went off the air.
* After the show, Gunther acted like he was going to dance with Jey, but then he kicked him in the stomach.

AWARDS

Worst Dressed: Nerd Ricochet

Best Dressed: Kiana James

Worst Acting: Nick Aldis

Best Acting: Drew McIntyre

Worst Comment: Cody – So…

Best Comment: Punk looks like a drug addict without ever taking drugs

Worst Match: Fatal Fourway Tag

Super Slow Mo Match: Jade vs. Piper

Best Match: Styles vs. Orton

Worst Move: Tyler Bate walking on his hands

Best Move: Phenomenal Forearm

Worst Moment: Cody & Logan

Best Moment: Drew’s promo

BREAKING NEWS:

RIC FLAIR

* In a recent interview with Tampa radio station Q105, Ric Flair said he was wrong for losing his temper during his visit to Piesano’s last week.
* He also denied being intoxicated, saying, “I only drank Michelob Ultras and probably two mixed drinks!”

SAMI ZAYN

* While speaking with the Daily Mail, Sami Zayn discussed why he thinks his chances of being a World Champion in WWE were higher under Vince McMahon’s leadership than Triple H.
* Sami said, “I think Vince saw me much more as a bad guy, for a number of reasons. He saw my irksome qualities, which he thought lent itself to being an irksome character. Having said that, I think things were a lot more unpredictable because of the nature of Vince’s week-to-week approach, that sometimes the marble would just fall in the ring hole, and now you’re champion, whereas with Hunter, I think he has a long-term vision, and if you’re not part of that vision, then the chances of breaking into that vision are much, much slimmer.”
* That’s why Sami got the Intercontinental Championship at Mania. That was his consolation prize.

RONDA VS. BECKY

* Ronda Rousey did an interview with Live Signing and said that she wanted to have a one-on-one match with Becky Lynch after returning in 2022, but WWE wouldn’t pull the trigger.
* I call bullshit on that. She returned as a babyface and they would’ve booed her out of the building if she went against Becky.

GABLE STEVESON

* This is old news but WWE released Gable Steveson.
* Dave Meltzer said Steveson was on a very big money contract and he wasn’t cutting it.

RUMORS:

CODY VS ROCK

* The Wrestling Observer says the current plan for WrestleMania 41 next year is Cody Rhodes vs. The Rock.

BECKY

* Fightful reports that Becky Lynch has still yet to re-sign with WWE despite her contract expiring at the end of the month.
* I wouldn’t worry about it though.

PUNK

* Dave Meltzer reports it’s possible that CM Punk could wrestle again by SummerSlam which is on August 3rd.

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