MAKE SURE EVERYTHING WORKS!!!!

* SYNC AUDIO

ARE WE RECORDING????

* Make sure!!!!!

PATRONS

* Austin Williams

SMACKDOWN OPENS WITH AJ STYLES

* They showed footage of Solo Sikoa jumping off a platform to crash on Styles 3 months ago.
* AJ says, “Randy Orton & LA Knight both want Roman Reigns, but I don’t give a damn about them. I want Roman Reigns at the Royal Rumble.”
* So, LA Knight walks out and tells AJ, “You can have Roman Reigns, after I have him first. But after what happened last week, the first name on my list is AJ Styles!”
* We learn the reason why AJ Styles is pissed is because Knight replaced him in the tag match with John Cena against the Bloodline which led to him getting the title match at Crown Jewel…and that’s a stupid reason.
* Then, Randy Orton walks out and says, “The Bloodline took me out for 18-months, so nothing is gonna get in my way.”
* Knight points out the fact that the Bloodline took out Orton & Styles, but not him…which means he gets Roman Reigns.
* Then, Nick Aldis walks out and says, “In two weeks, we present SmackDown New Year’s Revolution, and we’ll have a triple threat match, and the winner faces Roman Reigns at the Royal Rumble.”
* One thing I do like about Triple H taking over is people aren’t saying PPV or match after saying THE ROYAL RUMBLE.
* For the last 5 years or so, Vince McMahon made everyone say, “I’m winning the Royal Rumble match OR I’m challenging you to a match at the Royal Rumble PPV.”
* Orton makes the most sense, but I wouldn’t mind a Fatal Fourway.

LATER BACKSTAGE

* Roman Reigns makes Paul Heyman bring Nick Aldis to him.
* Roman tells Aldis that he should’ve asked him before booking the triple threat match and Styles vs. Solo.
* Aldis tells Roman, “I run SmackDown now. I’m looking forward to seeing who faces you at the Royal Rumble for the Undisputed WWE Universal Championship…and I really hope we can get to know each other better.”

BIANCA BELAIR, ZELINA VEGA, MICHIN, & SHOTZI VS DAMAGE CTRL

* In a Holiday Havoc match (GRUNT)
* Shotzi unwraps a present and gets a chair!
* Michael Cole asked Corey Graves, “What do you think Shotzi wants for Christmas?” and Graves said, “Cole, that’s a loaded question and I like my job.”
* Another inside joke?
* Then, Michin & Vega started hopping together in the ring like idiots, but Kairi & Asuka hit them with candy cane kendo sticks.
* But then, Belair & Shotzi hit Kairi & Asuka with their own candy cane kendo sticks.
* Belair & Michin Suplex Bayley onto an empty but wrapped box. Even Michael Cole was like, “There’s nothing in there.”
* Belair put another empty box on Iyo’s head, and then Belair put Iyo on her shoulders and then Shotzi hit her with a dropkick from the top rope.
* Kairi unwraps a trash can lid and murders Shotzi with it and then throws her into a tree.
* Vega hit Kairi with a soft chair shot to the back.
* Dakota Kai threw a pumpkin pie in Vega’s face and then Asuka spit the mist in her face.
* Then, Asuka & Kairi open two big person-sized boxes…and it’s Alba Fyre & Isla Dawn!
* Asuka screams as if it’s the Undertaker. There’s NOTHING scary about these girls.
* Fyre & Dawn take out the Kabuki Warriors as Bayley watches from 2-feet away.
* Belair hits Bayley with the KOD, but then Belair lays down so Iyo can conveniently give Belair the Moonsault off the top rope.
* Instead of pinning Belair, Iyo gets up and celebrates. (STUPID)
* Then, Michin hits Iyo with EAT DA FEET and then gives Iyo a Senton through a table for the win.
* Corey Graves yelled, “Hallelujah! Holy crap! Where’s the Tylenol?”

BUTCH VS DRAGON LEE

* For the NXT North American Championship
* Butch broke all 10 of Dragon Lee’s fingers and both his arms.
* Butch went for the Bitter End, but Lee countered with a Canadian Destroyer, and then won with Operation Dragon.
* Handshake after the match
* Later backstage, Pretty Shitty bullies Butch AGAIN, so he attacks them AGAIN, but this time officials separate them.
* Aldis tells Butch to find a tag team partner and he’ll face Pretty Shitty at New Year’s Revolution.

KEVIN OWENS VS CARMELO HAYES

* Semi-finals of the United States Championship Tournament
* Mid-match, Hayes pointed to the titantron because they had the United States Championship graphic there. Is that his WrestleMania sign?
* KO went for the Pop-Up Powerbomb, but Melo countered with a Codebreaker or First 48.
* Melo went for Nothin but Net off the top rope, but Owens moved and hit the Pop-Up Powerbomb, but Melo kicked out.
* So, KO hit a Swanton Bomb and a Stunner for the win.
* Owens helped Melo up after the match and they shook hands.

ANOTHER VIDEO PROMO FROM KARRION KROSS

* Kross takes credit for the Bloodline crumbling, Drew McIntyre turning heel, Nakamura turning heel, and Rey striking his own son.
* Kross says, “The greatest proclamation is soon to be forgotten without a scribe…without authors.”
* Scarlett says, “Do you see the vision?” and then she screams.
* They flash images on the screen and if you pause it, you can see the silhouettes of Paul Ellering and the Authors of Pain.
* So, 3 wrestlers and 2 managers. Just throw in Nikki Cross.

BOBBY LASHLEY VS SANTOS ESCOBAR

* Semi-finals of the United States Championship Tournament
* Lashley and the Street Profits are babyfaces once again or maybe they always were.
* Lashley was selling an injured leg to get sympathy.
* Lashley setup for the Hurt Lock, but then someone in a luchador mask hopped the barricade, so security grabbed him.
* Then, another masked man shows up and both masked men beat up the Street Profits.
* This distracts Lashley and Escobar wins with a…ROLLUP!
* After the match, Escobar takes off the masks to reveal Humberto Carrillo and Angel Garza (INCEPTION)
* That was a rumor after Santos turned heel

VIDEO PROMO FROM LOGAN PAUL

* Logan mentions Kevin Owens & Santos Escobar in the finals of the tournament.
* This was obviously pre-recorded and they made no effort to even pretend like it was LIVE.
* “It’s between a guy who cried over Rey Mysterio and the other won’t take his shirt off in the pool.
* He also said KO looks like if Reddit were a person.

AJ STYLES VS SOLO SIKOA

* Backstage, before the match, Michin gives Styles a hug and says, “We missed you,” but Styles cringes.
* Karl Anderson says, “We haven’t heard a thing from you. We didn’t expect you back.”
* Luke Gallows asks, “We good?”
* AJ moves Michin’s arms off of him and says, “I don’t know, are we?”
* Stay away from them AJ! How are they still employed?
* Styles went for the Phenomenal Forearm, but Solo caught him and went for the Samoan Spike, but AJ ducked and almost won with a rollup.
* Styles ends up hitting the Phenomenal Forearm, but Solo rolls out of the ring, and then Roman Reigns runs out and attacks AJ for the DQ.
* AJ gets the upper hand, but Solo saves his Tribal Chief.
* Roman & Solo start beating up AJ together, but Randy Orton runs out for the save.
* Jimmy Uso runs out and attacks Orton, but then LA Knight runs out for the save.
* Knight & Orton clear the ring.
* Styles yells at Orton & Knight, and then he attacks them.
* This leads to all 3 of them brawling to end the show while the Bloodline watches.
* It should’ve ended with Knight hitting Styles with the BFT as revenge for last week.

AWARDS

Worst Dressed: Karl Anderson – The Ascension?

Best Dressed: Dakota Kai

Worst Acting: Nick Aldis

Best Acting: Roman

Worst Comment:

Best Comment:

Worst Match: 8-Woman Tag

Super Slow Mo Match: Lashley vs. Escobar

Best Match: KO vs. Hayes

Worst Move: Belair

Best Move: Pop-Up into First 48

Worst Moment: Alba Fyre & Isla Dawn

Best Moment:

BREAKING NEWS:

THE ROCK

* Last week, The Rock posted on Instagram some photos of him meeting a kid for Make-A-Wish.
* Rock said, “I told him a little secret that may or may not involve some dude returning to WWE to lay the SmackDown on all their candy asses.”
* This is more fucked up than some people realize.

REGAL

* William Regal recently appeared in a video for NXT announcing that his son Charlie Dempsey will be competing for All Japan Wrestling.
* Apparently, the reason why Regal wasn’t used for War Games was because his one year non-compete clause with AEW just recently ended. He’s been with WWE, but he wasn’t able to be on WWE TV for a year.

RUMORS:

ROYAL RUMBLE RUNDOWN

* Look at this
* (PHONE)

CHARLOTTE

* PWInsider says Charlotte Flair is scheduled for surgery in early January, which gives her an estimated return around October.
* Fightful reported that Charlotte recently signed a new contract with WWE and it was one of the highest paid deals to a woman in WWE history.
* Fightful also says Sasha Banks wants more money than Charlotte got to return to WWE.

BAYLEY

* PWInsider reports that Bayley re-signed with WWE for multiple years.

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