



ROYAL RUMBLE LINES

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1. Dudley Boyz with Stacy Keibler v 2. Tazz and Spike Dudley

2v2Tag

WWF Tag Team Championship-G1

1RR 5:05.94 80 (0172) 1x-1b-1d-1d-1b-E-1x-E-2t-2t
Tazmission-Submission; Slow, yet strategic start; pickup at about 1/2 mark; nice closing by Tazz, gamely.

Very becoming match for the Tag Team Champions, especially Tazz who gave a strong closing sequence to retain the belts. The champs retaining was a fine, surprising aspect of this match. The strategic assault on Spike was a very constructive piece of the match. Nice cap off the TV buildup and good opener.

1. William Regal v 2. Edge

Singles

WWF Intercontinental Championship-G2

2RR 9:45.56 90 (0178) 2-1-E-1-Mx-1-E-E-2-1-2-2-1
FacePunch(BrassKnuckles)-Pin; Nice momentum trading throughout the match; considerably active, good overall.

Despite the general momentum line, there were short, yet drawing trades of offense throughout the match that gave a sort of constant drive all around. Presence of the brass knuckles was expected, but more importantly, logical in facilitating a shady title change and possibly maintaining a rivalry. High marks deserved here.

1. Jazz v 2. Trish Stratus

Singles-Sp.GuestRef

WWF Women's Championship-G1

Sp. Guest Referee-Jacqueline

3RR 3:44.18 60 (0161) 1-2-Mx-1-1-1-2
Bulldog-Pin; Better than anticipated; both competitors slightly above par expectations; good contest.

An above-fair contest here with no real added-effect, but something relatively stable if not solid to watch. Jazz's offensive demonstration was one of the higher notes here. Would have liked to see a little more offense, especially closing offense, from Trish before winning, but such could be overlooked. Lowest mark, but "worst" shouldn't apply.

1. Ric Flair v 2. Vince McMahon

StreetFight

4RR 14:55.16 85 2-1-2-1-2-2-2-2-2-E-1-1-1-1
FigureFourLegLock-Submission; Pace slightly below moderate throughout, yet efforts from both were enjoy-able.

Not a lot of trading here, but still enjoyable with each getting just about consecutive halves of the match to dominate. Perhaps a pre-match low expectation factors in here, so that is something to mind in the rating. Submission finish over a pin was nice to see. Relatively respectable.

1. The Rock v 2. Chris Jericho

Singles

WWF Undisputed Championship-G1

5RR 18:50.50 110 1-2-Mx-2-2-2-1-E-1-2-1**2-1-2-E-2-2-1
Thrust(IntoExpsdTurnbuckle)andRollUp(UsingRopes)-Pin; Pressing efforts with strong pacing yield superb match.

Much to admire about this match. For one, its interesting how much Jericho's ego-saturated character plays into his performance. With surviving expectations that The Rock would win, the finish was all too acceptable. The finish sequence had the total sense of a heel, making it all the more intriguing. Fine match.

30 Entries (See Next Page For Details)

30 Man Royal Rumble

#1 Contender Undisp Championship Wrestlemania X8

6RR 1:09:21.89 125 See next page for details
Clothesline(OverTopRope)-Elimination; Very strong with instances of intrigue; strongest drive came late, expectedly.

Like the way that the four special entrants were spaced throughout the match. Great rumble with the favorite, so to speak, taking the win here. Closing four competitors provided a shining segment to the match. Could have done without the Triple H end-rebound, but it had its desired effect. X8 is shaping up well. Night's best here.

BREAKDOWNS: Time: 6 Matches with 0 No contests (20/143.23) about 73.19 % of show time. Average Match Rating (6 Matches) 91.67 BestOfTheNight: 6RR 30 Man Royal Rumble 125
Types: 3 Singles (3 Title Matches), 1 Tag (1 Title Match), 1 StreetFight, Extraneous Segment Aggregate 4.00 WorstOfTheNight: 3RR Jazz v TrishStratus Sp.Ref. Jacqueline 60
1 Royal Rumble Overall Show Score 95.67

8 instances of interference (3 meaningful); Meaningful interference
5RR *LanceStorm *Christian
6RR *Lita (2) *MattHardy *JeffHardy *Undertaker
*StoneColdSteveAustin (3 Chairshots)

Title Changes: William Regal (New WWF Intercontinental Champion) Turns: None

Show assessment: Strong and enjoyable PPV. Very worthy showing, a good one to see.

RATINGS: I still continue with the system of using pre-match action and post-match to value a contest while giving the primary emphasis to the match itself which includes basic ring psychology, pace, mechanics and execution of move sets and high spots, the finish and its enjoy-ability, and how much the match advances a story line, if there is one to advance. But another element that I must convey is that I let the opening match or two set a baseline and then perform some degree of comparison of later contests to the baseline.

NON-MATCH SEGMENTS AND SCORES
●Edge/Lillian Int. (+2) Good in serving to continue his psychotic side, but no chair in match. ●Patrick/Cole Int. (+1) Humorous with SCSA interjecting. Worthy because it shut Stephanie up. Steph getting angry at "what" was worth a laugh.
●Post2RR Regal/Cole Int. (+1) I like that "power of the punch" line. ●SCSA (0) Nice to see the man is still around, but no value here.
●Flair Family Enters (+0) Nothing here of value. ●HBK at WWFNY

CLOSING NOTES:

1. Never thought one of the four special entrants would have made the final four, so it was quite intriguing when it happened. Mr. Perfect's Rumble performance was surprising in terms of time and effort, both above expectations.
2. Somewhat expected Jazz to take the title from Trish, but good to see somewhat of a competitive run with the title from Trish continued.
3. Jericho is still the champion, quite to my surprise, but such is a great move on the part of the WWF, IMHO. That cross table RockBottom in that match was crazy.
4. A laugh plus stemming from Lawler's directing Rock and Jericho to the Spanish announce table was definitely in order.
5. If you did not find something worthy in this showing, you did not see it. Fine points to be found all around.

Royal Rumble Match-6RR(20Jan02)

Total Time-1:09:21.89

Rating-125

	Entry	Ring-In	Ring-Out	By	Momentum Line
1	Rikishi	START	13 :40 .05	Undertaker (3)	
2	Goldust	START	13 :02 .03	Undertaker (1)	1-2-1
3	Bossman	02 :19 .76	5 :24 .57	Rikishi (1)	1-2-2/3-2-3
4	Bradshaw	04 :13 .64	11 :31 .01	Billy Gunn (1)	4/1-4/1-E-2-E
5	Lance Storm	06 :16 .40	11 :03 .39	Al Snow (1)	2/1-5-1/2-4/1
6	Al Snow	08 :14 .64	13 :26 .06	Undertaker (2)	6/4-6/1-Mx
7	Billy Gunn	10 :09 .85	13 :46 .56	Undertaker (4)	6/2-4/Mx-6-6/7-6/7
8	Undertaker	12 :37 .48	20 :17 .86	Maven (1)	8-8-8
9	Matt Hardy with Lita	14 :38 .50	18 :54 .12	Undertaker (6)	8*-9/*-8-9-8 (*Lita-1)
10	Jeff Hardy	16 :48 .96	18 :22 .39	Undertaker (5)	9/10/*-8-9/10-8 (*Lita-2)
11	Maven	19 :26 .92	22 :58 .96 ¹	Undertaker (73)	8-**-11-<8 post elimination> *Matt Hardy *Jeff Hardy
12	Scotty 2 Hotty	25 :53 .75	28 :29 .95	Diamond Dallas Page (1)	<8>
13	Christian	25 :22 .45	37 :46 .13	Stone Cold Steve Austin (1)	Mx-13
14	Diamond Dallas Page	26 :56 .66	32 :17 .00 ²	Christian (1/2) Chuck (1/2)	14-13-14-12-14
15	Chuck Palumbo	28 :56 .37	38 :00 .10	Stone Cold Steve Austin (2)	14-15-14-13/14-13/14
16	Godfather	32 :56 .98	34 :43 .82	Christian (1-1/2) Chuck (1-1/2)	13/14-13/14
17	Albert	33 :13 .95	34 :02 .56	Christian (1) Chuck (1)	17-13/15/16-16-13/15-15
18	Perry Saturn	35 :10 .42	38 :06 .41	Stone Cold Steve Austin (3)	18-15-18-15-18-15
19	Stone Cold Steve Austin	37 :27 .77	1: 04 :14 .18	Kurt Angle (2)	19-19
20	Val Venis	40 :13 .63	43 :09 .96	Stone Cold Steve Austin (4)	19-20-19
21	Test	41 :19 .80	43 :22 .37	Stone Cold Steve Austin (5)	21-20/21-20/21-19
22	Triple H	46 :14 .68	FINISH	WINNER	Mx-22-E
23	The Hurricane	47 :29 .33	48 :08 .14	Stone Cold (5-1/2) Triple H (1/2)	19/22-Mx-E
24	Farooq	49 :04 .31	49 :39 .53	Triple H (1-1/2)	24-19/22-22-19-E-22-19
25	Mr. Perfect	51 :48 .63	1: 07 :08 .22	Triple H (2-1/2)	25-19/22-25
26	Kurt Angle	53 :16 .19	1: 09 :21 .89	Triple H (3-1/2)	25/26-19/26-22/25-25/26-26-25
27	Big Show	55 :36 .62	58 :21 .96	Kane (1)	27-19/22-27-27
28	Kane	57 :35 .98	58 :37 .25	Kurt Angle (1)	Mx-28-19-26-Mx-22
29	Rob Van Dam	59 :27 .05	1: 01 :42 .92	Booker T (1)	29-22-E-19/Mx-E
30	Booker T	1: 01 :33 .62	1: 02 :06 .52	Stone Cold Steve Austin (6-1/2)	19/30-19-Mx-26-19-25/26-26-25/26*E-26-25-22-22-26-26-22

¹Questionable elimination by already eliminated Undertaker; incapacitated.

²Estimation, not shown.

Eliminations scored as solo (1) or assisted (1/2, 1/3, etc).