



# NO WAY OUT LINES

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6WayTagTeamTurmoil

#1 Contender Tag Team Championship Wrestlemania X8

1NWO 16:37:59 70 See next page for details  
ClotheslineFromHell-Pin; Somewhat slow early on with pace pickup; quite active throughout; slightly weakened late.

Each division had a fair to quite good set of action and the average pace was above par. Nothing spectacular here which is a little disappointing given that this is a PPV match and that the Hardys and Dudleys were involved. Less convoluted than anticipated given the match type. Some good merits, a fair opener; more possible though.

1. Goldust v 2. Rob Van Dam

Singles

2NWO 11:06:69 77 (02:59) 1-2-0-1-2-1-1-1-1-1-E-2-2-1-2  
FiveStarFrogSplash-Pin; Some viable efforts and action from both; midway weakening but stable thereafter.

Some benefit of the doubt is warranted as this was their first match. There was some healthy offense from both and I liked the out of ring action. The slow offense by Goldust at mid-match was detracting, but he had some good spots to redeem with. Increase in the pace and action later keeps interesting. Good but better expected in future.

1. Booker T and Test v 2. Spike Dudley and Tazz

2v2Tag

WWF Tag Team Championship-G1

3NWO 7:16:37 58 (03:22) 1t-E-2s-1t-1b-1t-1b-E-2t-E-2t  
Tazzmission-Submission; Good action amidst lighter pacing; closing sequence slightly above par; somewhat formulaic.

Not a bad match but the structure of Tazz-Spike matches have become rather formulaic, as was demonstrated here. Some good marks like Tazz's end match offensive but finish seemed a little lacking. Honestly could not see Booker T and Test win the titles at any point so that detracts. All factor in to just a borderline good score.

1. Edge v 2. William Regal

SinglesBrassKnucklesPole

WWF Intercontinental Championship-G2

4NWO 10:27:36 83 (26:30) 1-1-1-2-2-2-E-E-Mx-E-1-2  
FacePunch(BrassKnuckles)-Pin; Good efforts; pace was a little off throughout but action compensates somewhat.

Efforts were there from both which resulted in some good exchanges, however, match not quite up to standard of match on 20Jan02 (that one posted a 90). Most glaring detractor of the match is the continuous even momentum from about the 3/4 point to about 7/8 through the contest. Lightly strong contest with some purpose.

1. Undertaker v 2. The Rock

Singles

5NWO 17:25:96 87 (00:80) 2-1-1-1-1-1-2-1-1-1-E-Mx-2-1\*2\*\*2  
RockBottom-Pin; Moderately paced throughout, but a majority of the match unbalanced; some weak areas.

Most of the match contained offense from the Undertaker, which taken as a whole, was better than expected. Still his offense seemed overdrawn. More from the Rock needed here to improve score. Finish was OK, but I would rather the owners didn't get involved. Nothing really spectacular but some considerable worth here.

1. Kurt Angle v 2. Triple H

Singles

#1 Contender Undisputed Championship Wrestlemania X8

Sp. Guest Referee- Stephanie McMahon

6NWO 14:41:00 92 (02:04) 1-2-E-2-1-2-1-1-1-E-2-2-1-2-1-2-1  
AngleSlam-Pin; Efforts well drawn from both; pace stayed at or above normal throughout; some detraction.

Some good drive in the trading strings of offense throughout the match. Execution was very good too much referee involvement steals away some merit. Pace seemed lightly pressed constantly, which is a plus. Hoped for an ending that did not involve Stephanie officiating, but I will live with the finish. Better found in 21Jan01 contest, but nice deal.

1. Stone Cold Steve Austin v 2. Chris Jericho

Singles

WWF Undisputed Championship-G1

7NWO 21:34:90 114 0-Mx-1-1-1-2-1-1-2-1-2-1-1-E-2-2-2-2-1-1-2-2-1-2-1-2\*2  
Stunner-Pin; Strong efforts and great action with some slowdown; end interference easily foreseeable; fine.

Not quite the level of last months PPV title match, but a lot to admire here. Stone Cold earlier offensive were vigorous and consistent. Jericho was forced defensive early but took his share in the later stages with strong effort. Had to see the finish coming given the backstage segment and nWo's lack of ring presence earlier. Best of the night.

<b>BREAKDOWNS:</b>	Time: 7 Matches with 0 No contests (139:09:87) about 60.10 % of show time.	Average Match Rating (6 Matches) 83.00	BestOfTheNight: 7NWO StoneColdSteveAustin v ChrisJericho	114
	Types: 4 Singles (1 Title Match), 1 Tag (1 Title Match), 1 SinglesPole (1 Title Match) 1 TagTurmoil	Extraneous Segment Aggregate -0.50	WorstOfTheNight: 3NWO BookerT and Test v Tazz and SpikeDudley	58
	7 instances of interference (2 meaningful); <input type="checkbox"/> Meaningful interference	Overall Show Score 82.50		
	1NWO *StacyKeibler *Lita *DudleyBoyz	Title Changes: None.	Turns: None	
	5NWO *RicFlair *VinceMcMahon *RicFlair <input type="checkbox"/>			
	7NWO *nWo (Hogan, Hal, Nash) <input type="checkbox"/>			

Show assessment: The wrestling had its merits, but the out of ring on goings were shaky at best. Scores somewhat good, but lesser relatively, considering this is a PPV. No real nWo shock value. Mixed feelings.

**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.

<b>NON-MATCH SEGMENTS AND SCORES</b>	●nWo debuts and wants a chance. (-2) Maybe this was more of a mocking gesture, but a more fiendish deal expected given the hype.	●Rock/Coach INT (+0.5) Somewhat good form from the Rock, but not quite up to standard.	●Angle leaves. (+0.5) Smart move; HHH will get up eventually.
	●Flair/Cole INT (0) More of the same from UT. Nothing of value from Flair	●Angle/Lilian INT. (0) Yes, we have seen the medals before. Yes, we know Steph is the ref, blah, blah.	●Rock and the old personas of nWo. (+15) Letting those who didn't know about it; now that's some comedy.
	●nWo offers beer to SCSA. (-1) Minus two for continuing the "humble" facade; one for SCSA's response to the gift.	●Mr. Perfect at WWFNY. (0) Boy that chess win sure went to his head; now he is a perfect jerk.	●nWo assaults and brands SCSA. (0) True colors come out and the assault begins, but anticlimactically.

### CLOSING NOTES:

1. Was Stephanie trying to emulate Austin when she attacked that referee near the end of the Angle-HHH match? Watch those head movements again and you might have a hard time proving otherwise.
2. Regal sure does come prepared. I always take drinks to friends' houses in case they have none. So why can't Regal take knuckles on the chance he might not get them?
3. The referees got their share of hits tonight. What idiot agent argued for them "Hey, I want more hits for these referees, they deserve it, this contract does not give them nearly enough?"
4. Jericho had it right when he said to Regal that debuts are supposed to be something exciting and great; apparently the nWo was not listening that day.
5. Main events were good, one posted a 114, best singles thus far, but can it hold for the rest of the year at the top? Doubtful.

# Tag Team Turmoil-1NWO(17Feb02)

Total Time-16:37.59

Rating-70

Entry	Ring-In	Ring-Out	Finish	MomentumLine
1. Scotty2Hotty and Albert v 2. Christian and LanceStorm	START	02 :56 .91	Unprettier-Pin	1s-1a-2s-1s-2c
2. Christian and LanceStorm v 3. HardyBoyz with Lita	03 :19 :50	06 :12 :32	SwantonBomb-Pin	3x-2s-2c-E-3j-2s-3j
3. Hady Boyz with Lita v 4. Dudley Boyz with StacyKeibler	06 :39 :70	10 :52 :17	RollUp-Pin	3x-4d-4b-4d-Mx-E-3m*(Stacy)*(Lita)3m
3. Hardy Boyz with Lita v 5. Billy and Chuck	11 :46 :38	12 :21 :96	FameAssEr-Pin	*(DudleyBoyz)3m-5b
5. Billy and Chuck v 6. APA	12 :49 :21	16 :37 :59	ClotheslineFromHell-Pin	5c-6b-Mx-5c-5b-E-6b