

**19 September 2002**
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**1. Torrie Wilson and Rey Mysterio v 2. Jamie Noble and Nidia**

2v2MixedTag

 1SD 4:05.91 **57** (01.80) 1t-2n-1m-2j-1m-2j-1m

LegScissorsAwayIntoSunsetSlam-Pin; Some good efforts, action held OK/gd. throughout, steadily, closed nicely.

*Seemed effortful all around in this one. Nidia and Wilson have picked up some off of their outing last week (5SD, 16). Mysterio and Noble performed well as expected. Match ran pretty smoothly. Liked the intercept that set up the closing series, which itself was very good. Noble had a comical spot that was good for a little effect. Good.*

**1. Brock Lesnar w Paul Heyman v 2. John Cena**

Singles

 2SD 5:52.26 **18** 1-1-1-1-1-2-1

F5-Pin; Fair to start, paced OK until about 1/2, held up mostly thereafter, served purpose, too formulaic.

*Served the same purpose as two previous (5Sep02, 3SD, 61; 12Sep02, 1SD, 37) but this has become repetitive, and while building up Lesnar smartly enough, these are getting less merit-worthy. Looking at the momentum lines for the previous and this one, they are nearly identical. Good array by Lesnar and good set up to the F5, but that's it.*

**1. Edge and Rikishi v 2. Eddie Guerrero and Chavo Guerrero**

2v2Tag

 3SD 5:39.91 **76** 1r-1e-2c-2e-2c-2e-E-1r-1r-2c

CameraShot-Pin; In well with good exchanges which held, with some speed, drive about 3/4, good to finish.

*All round package in this contest. Offense was well balanced and got a nice tag series from the Guerreros here, similar to last week's (2SD, 84). This one exhibited good elements and quite likely had more in it. Match went on pretty well following the key tags near the end, and interesting to see Chavo pickup the pin. Somewhat strong.*

**1. Matt Hardy v 2. The Hurricane**

Singles

 4SD 5:56.87 **65** 1-2-1-1-E-2-2-1

TwistOffFate-Pin; Broke slow yet led into some steadily OK/good action, went on 3/4, spotted suitably.

*A slow start for this one, but it did provide a little added effect to begin this one. Match quality eased upward little by little, culminating in some fair/good exchange between this combination. Key spots were placed well enough and match had a little drive to it. Hardy picks up his second straight (last week's result corrected). Good deal*

**1. Kurt Angle and Chris Benoit v 2. Billy Gunn and Chuck Palumbo**

2v2Tag

 5SD 6:56.03 **83** Mix-2c-2b-1a-1b-1a-1a-E-2c-2b-2c

JungleKick-Pin; Quite good early on and moved nicely, active balance overall, closing melee done well

*A good early series built some interest here and the rest easily maintained it. The Benoit/Angle strife was worked in well, adding some intrigue to the finishing series and building up the post match confrontation well. The four man collision at the end capped this contest nicely. Like 3SD, would have liked a little more. Still, the night's best.*

**BREAKDOWNS:** Time: 5 Matches with 0 No contest (28:30:98) about 23.76 % of show time.

Types: 2 Singles (0 Title Matches), 3 Tag (0 Title Matches, 1 Mixed)

 0 instance of interference (0 meaningful);  Meaningful interference

 Average Match Rating (5 Matches) **59.80**

 Extraneous Segment Aggregate **11.00**

 Overall Show Score **70.80**

Title Changes: None

BestOfTheNight: 5SD KurtAngle and ChrisBenoit v BillyGunn and ChuckPalumbo

WorstOfTheNight: 2SD BrockLesnar v JohnCena

Turns: None.

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**SHOW ASSESSMENT:** Save for the second match, some good matches throughout and the non-match pieces served nicely. Strong en route to Unforgiven. Well done, SmackDown!

**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**

●DVon fired Batista(?) (+0.5) How did DVon do that. Brock and Steph want DVon to get UT look to collide later on him back or else. Heyman/Steph on UT's wife, UT on the way.  
 ●Steph on last wk. counter (+2.5) Sets up what should be a good Chal. accepted but stip? match and the back and forth retorts were hilarious. Angle was too, as usual.  
 ●Billy sg. or tag? Angle chal. sets SSD, Angle questions partner (Benoit)  
 ●Rikishi video, second (+0.5) Good short package on Rikishi, being shot, purpose.  
 ●UT video "Adrenaline" (+1) Another good video here.

●Eddie/Chavo on last wk. (+0.5) Well I believe him, waiting to see and match with Edge, how.  
 ●Eddie promises revenge  
 ●Post3SD Edge tries (+1) Ouch! That looked painful. Good to save, get chaired by Eddie and is cut badly.  
 ●Steph/Bischoff satellite (+1) That seemed a little odd, but a good exchange of words.  
 ●Steph says, if necessary, she might enjoy HLA(?) Stipulations agreed to.  
 ●Benoit video "Whatever" (+1) Same video as before(?) still effective  
 ●Heyman thinks UT is (+0.5) Good reasoning, but he turns out to be wrong.

●Unforgiven rundown. (+0.5) Not like SummerSlam's, but good.  
 ●Angle and Benoit argue (0) Now what?!  
 ●pre 5SD  
 ●Post5SD Benoit/Angle (+1) I like this bit as a prelude to the contest  
 ●submissions duel, both tap to other's move  
 ●UT arrives, on last wk. (+1) Interesting that Matt came out. What Brock did here has to be the most cowardly thing I have ever seen, but it worked.  
 ●calls out Brock, they collide, stalemate. Hardy retreat, UT pursues, Brock in "protective custody."

**CLOSING NOTES:**

1. For Mysterio's finisher today, Cole had hit right when he said "What the hell is that?" I called it as best I could, but well, you probably saw it so...
2. Another set of hilarious lines from Kurt Angle, and Billy and Chuck threw in some good dialogue as well. Entertaining segment.
3. That was one wicked chairshot to Edge after the third tonight and no attempt to block. Oh, the pain!
4. I could not help but laugh at Stephanie's "cheap sleazy thrills" line. Pretty well placed.
5. Some other numbers worth considering: 3 videos, all good; 0 points of interference, downright unprecedented nowadays.