



Lines

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1. Victoria and Lita v

2. Jazz and Molly Holly w Theodore Long

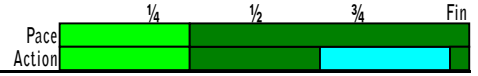
2v2 Tag

Obviously some humor effect from the neck strapped wig of Holly off of the humiliating stipulation last night at Wrestlemania. Also some humor value from Holly losing her wig and fleeing the arena. Still, hard to argue that these things could make up for a match that suffered from enough awkward action and iffy speed for time. Perhaps should treat this as an anomaly because this exact setup has produced better, but perhaps should do so very warily.

1Raw 3:0818 18 (169) 2h-2j-E-1l-1l 12j

DDT-Pin; Off a bit slowly, some action awkward, kicked 5/8.

Victoria 7 straight wins
Jazz 5 straight losses



1. Matt Hardy v 2. Chris Jericho

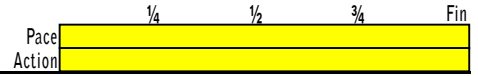
Singles

Have to appreciate how well Jericho used his rage following his humiliation at Wrestlemania the night before. Match moved considerably well throughout and liked that this was not entirely one-sided because of Jericho's rage, as has been known to happen in similar scenarios. Further liked Hardy's taunting of Jericho regarding Stratus as added insult. Though not always crazy about the DQ finish, it actually plays in rather well here. Will take despite lack of time.

2Raw 2:1084 23 Mx-2-1-2-1-2

@ChokeWithWire(MattHardy); Short but moved well with effect.

MttHardy 1st Raw win
CJericho 4 straight losses



1. Val Venis v 2. Kane

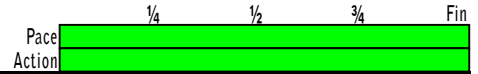
Singles

Even shorter than the last and of the similar rage rubric as the last. Hard to find something to fault in forty three and change, except of course perhaps the fact that the match was forty three and change and that Venis got in no offense. If one really has to find some solace, suppose one could have found a worse match to deal with, and truth be hold, we have seen those on the year. Speaking of which...

3Raw :4386 04 (141) 2

Chokeslam-Pin; Succinct, direct, little merit.

ValVenis 6 straight losses



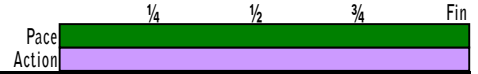
1. Miss Jackie v 2. Stacy Keibler

Singles

You really could not expect much to begin with given who was involved and you could make the argument that perhaps it was better to end this when it did by any means necessary. Have to say that both seemed tentative in their execution which should be no surprise and it is difficult to envision future contests between these two providing much more, but you have to remember that any value there is in having them on to begin with is not ring based.

4Raw 1:0104 01 (1610) Mx-2-1

ExecutiveInterruption-NoContest; Barely escapes zero.



1. Dudley Boyz v 2. Rob Van Dam and Booker T

2v2 Tag

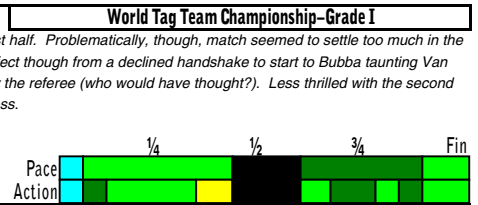
Despite the light start, match got into good form for the rest of the first half. Problematically, though, match seemed to settle too much in the latter half, only seeing any real recovery in the finish. Some good effect though from a declined handshake to start to Bubba taunting Van Dam about having no partner to tag to an actual false tag reversal by the referee (who would have thought?). Less thrilled with the second half, but match warrants a good performance figure for the tabs no less.

5Raw 18:1073 81 @-Mx-1b-1d-2t-2v-1d-1b-Mx-1b-2v-2t-E-1d-E-2v-E-8-1d-E-1b-1b-1d-1d-1b-E-2t-2t-Mx-2t 11b

Bookend-Pin; Off bit slow, into form, with effect, mostly fair.

Commercial Break.

BRDudley 3 straight losses
DVDudley 3 straight losses



1. Shawn Michaels and Chris Benoit v

2. Batista and Randy Orton and Ric Flair w Triple H

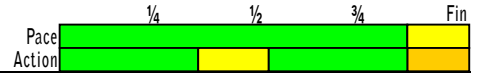
3v2 Handicap

It is becoming hard to argue with matches that pair up Benoit and Michaels. Their last pairing 14 days ago saw a 101 outing even though under even tag conditions. Elementally sound and the series of interference actually worked in this match's favor. Furthermore, this match kicked on very nicely to round this out, and loved the placement of the two Sweet Chin Music intercepts. Another triple digit for four involved and hard to argue with that.

6Raw 11:4867 100 2b-Mx-1m-Mx-1b-Mx-2o-Mx*Mx*1m*E-E-2b-2b-2f*2b-E-1b*Mx-1b 12b

Sharpshooter-Submission; Steadily, some increase, fine move at 7/8, nice finish.

Best of the Night
CsBenoit 3 straight wins



Breakdowns	Matches	6
	No Contests	1
	Total Match Time	37:03 ³²
	Pct. Of Show	37.81 (98)

Interference	1Raw	—
	2Raw	—
	3Raw	—
	4Raw	—
	5Raw	—
	6Raw	*Mick Foley *Triple H (4)

Title Changes None.

Match Types	Singles	3
	Tag	2 (1 Title)
	Handicap	1

Character Notes So Grenier is back on the roster, but just in time to say goodbye to La Resistance again? Also, Miss Jackie and Miss Keibler are continuing off their words last night at Wrestlemania.

Notable Matches

Best of the Night	6Raw	100	ShawnMichaels/Chris Benoit v Batista/Randy Orton/RicFlair
Worst of the Night	4Raw	01	Miss Jackie v Stacy Keibler

Notable Segments

Best of the Night	S-1	+ 1.0	Triple H title tirade; Michaels saves Benoit from Evolution.
Worst of the Night	S-7	-0.25	Val Venis almost exchanges towel for shirt when Kane interrupts.

Show Scoring	Match Contribution Index	51.45
	Segment Contribution Index	26.95
	Overall Show Score	78.40

Assessment Definitely not the worst possible effort from Raw and the new draft is intriguing. Still, keeping to the merits, a steady set of segments tonight but even though there were two strong matches, had to wait through four much lesser to get there. Dicy to recommend.

Segment by Segment

●TRIPLE H comes out, left arm in a sling; he asks if one match or having a title around your waist once makes on the best; he claims it does not, but what does it defending a title consistently, which is what he has done, beating them all; he acknowledges that he tapped out and asks if it makes everyone happy, because it took two men to beat him; he also says that when he looked himself in the mirror he knew he was still the best alive today; he goes on to say that CHRIS BENOIT has not won because now the target is on him, and everyone will gun for him and that he will soon heal, and when he does, it will be one on one; BENOIT emerges, saying he beat him and SHAWN MICHAELS and became the best; he goes on to say that when TRIPLE H is ready to face him again, because BENOIT will consistently beat him and make him tap from then on; TRIPLE H says not on his best day; BENOIT says today is not his best day and attacks TRIPLE H; EVOLUTION soon arrives and the four surround BENOIT but before they enter, MICHAELS runs out to hold them at bay with a chair in hand; BATISTA gets a chairshot after trying a sneak attack; ERIC BISCHOFF comes out, saying VINCE MCMAHON gave him orders not to make any title matches tonight or in the near future, which MCMAHON will explain when he arrives later; BISCHOFF says he can make the main event still so since EVOLUTION beat the ROCK AND SOCK CONNECTION last night, BATISTA, RANDY ORTON, and RIC FLAIR will face MICHAELS and BENOIT later tonight.	Something different about that Triple H. Um, new style? New shoes? Oh, really? Toting one less belt than before are you? OK then. Well I guess it is all wrapped up... no title matches? What the hell kind of order is that?	+1.0
●JONATHAN COACHMAN asks MICHAELS why he helped BENOIT; MICHAELS says is protecting his investment because helping BENOIT means he will eventually get a title shot as he has beaten BENOIT and has earned one which no one else will take; he says he will protect his tag partner tonight and if he has to, he will take TRIPLE H out for good.	On Fox this Sunday: Bradshaw shows you how to invest in Benoit as well.	+0.5
●CHRIS JERICHO is asked by TODD GRISHAM about his defeat at the hands of CHRISTIAN and TRISH STRATUS' betrayal. JERICHO leaves, nonresponsive.	Grisham! Idiot! What were you thinking	+0.5
●Post 3Raw After being disqualified, an enraged JERICHO continues the assault on MATT HARDY then leaves the arena in the same state; then during the break, JERICHO, still angry, bolts from the arena	Oh but revenge just might be his in the end.	0
●ORTON appears, saying he beat MICK FOLEY at Wrestlemania XX with an RKO and proved he was better, but does not think FOLEY or his family believes that; ORTON then challenges FOLEY to a one-on-one match with EVOLUTION banned from ringside so he can prove he is better to FOLEY'S family; ORTON then asks FOLEY when his son "Huey" grows up not with FOLEY as a role model, but idolizing ORTON.	That was one sinister and creepy facial expression from Orton.	0
●LA RESISTANCE, with SYLVAN GRENIER back, says everyone is together again with their new French Poodle, Fifi with only the tag titles missing and that they were robbed at Wrestlemania; STONE COLD STEVEN AUSTIN appears, saying there is a problem having LA RESISTANCE roam the halls with its dog then proceeds to cite the "French bitch" with a ticket; RENE DUPREE defends Fifi but AUSTIN says he is ticketing DUPREE; DUPREE says they will not stand for such, but AUSTIN wants to know what they will do about it.	Adding to the ranks is La Resistance. Dupree and Conway have only seven combined wins, so Fifi can still pass them up this year.	0
●Pre 3Raw VAL VENIS stands in the ring with his chosen hottie, who will remove his towel; she does so and decides to return the favor by giving him her shirt, but before she can remove it, KANE hits the ring to begin the match.	So close, yet so far away Venis.	-0.25
●Video highlights: WWE Hall of Fame induction ceremony.	—	NR
●VINCE MCMAHON disrupts 4Raw, apologizing to MISS JACKIE and STACY KEIBLER saying he has something on his mind to say; he says that things need to be changed in the spirit of "Where it all begins again"; he says it is a promise as it is time to shake things up, citing General Managers' complacency and protection of friends and certain groups, and that it is time to give the people new matches, rivalries, and superstars; MCMAHON says one week from tonight, the SmackDown superstars will come to Raw because there will be a lottery for rosters, regardless of personnel, with no exceptions whatsoever; MCMAHON says it is time for a new WWE.	Well the no title match order makes sense now. Not sure what to make of this just yet.	+0.5
●JOHNNY SPADE is talking to BISCHOFF about the roster draft when EVOLUTION storms in; TRIPLE H wants to know what is going on, wanting to know if EVOLUTION is going to be broken up; TRIPLE H says he is not leaving until he is champion again; BISCHOFF says MCMAHON has spoken and that no one is exempt from the lottery draft.	As Nelson Muntz would say, "Ha, Ha!"	+0.5
●Video highlights: Wrestlemania XX.	—	NR
●SPIKE DUDLEY comes out for a match when CHRISTIAN, STRATUS in tow, attacks him from behind and disposes of him by pinning him with STRATUS making the three count for show; CHRISTIAN tells DUDLEY it was just wrong place and wrong time and says STRATUS has something to say; she says before everyone judges her, it was in fact JERICHO who made the bet for one Canadian Dollar to sleep with her; STRATUS asks JERICHO the irony the effort he put into screwing her when she screwed him, or rather, someone else; CHRISTIAN calls everyone in New Jersey "creepy little bastards" of which he is not one because he has the girl; CHRISTIAN says he tried to warn JERICHO as he was getting soft and STRATUS did not want that, but a man like CHRISTIAN who makes things a little rough; following last night, CHRISTIAN and STRATUS makes out in the ring.	Um, you know Ms. Stratus, Christian also agreed to that bet.	+0.5
●GRENIER gives Fifi a pedicure as DUPREE paces; GRENIER says they should have the titles and just got back together can could be split because of the draft; ROB CONWAY tells DUPREE to relax; DUPREE says AUSTIN insulted him and his culture and tonight will go out to the ring to represent France and show him what LA RESISTANCE is about.	You're about a stunner away, Dupree.	0
●DUPREE comes out to the ring, French flag in hand; he addresses AUSTIN saying he and Americans think of the French as cowards, but that he is proof of the opposite; he asks why they should go out and fight the war and get shot for Americans; AUSTIN emerges on the ATV and attacks DUPREE, closing things out with a Stone Cold Stunner.	See what I mean?	0
●Preview from the set: THE ROCK speaks about Walking Tall.	—	NR

Closing Notes

1. Is it me, or did Triple H seem a tad perturbed tonight? Seriously, he pulls off the emotion very well.
 2. Speaking of Triple H, wasn't that quite the number of interfering shots for an injured man? Just a thought.
 3. And Ross tonight, saying what we all know to be true regarding Flair: "Flair needs to take that page out of his book."
 4. Can it be? Might we actually get that singles match between Foley and Orton? Well it's about time damn it!
 5. How many times now has Spike Dudley suffered from non-match syndrome as a result of wrong place, wrong time? That's one stat I do not have.
- Ex. By the way, I was planning on releasing a new rankings list, but that seemed moot given that people will be shifting come next Monday.