

# History of Summerslam Count-Up: 2006 – Hogan And DX Are In Charge. Are We In 1998?

## Summerslam 2006

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Attendance: 16,168

Commentators: Jim Ross, Jerry Lawler, Michael Cole, Tazz, Joey Styles, JBL

So a few things have happened since last year, but a lot of the show is the same. DX is back, feuding with the McMahons, Edge has risen to prominence and is the WWE Champion, and Booker is now a British guy. Your main events are Booker vs. Batista and Cena vs. Edge, along with the DX vs. McMahon tag match. The other major difference is the return of ECW, which as usual has one match. This is far different than the ECW you see today, as the title match is Big Show vs. Sabu.

Hogan is here again, this time against Orton, while Flair and Foley are having an I Quit match, which would be Foley's last big angle as he would leave for awhile very shortly after this, returning in about 9 months for a few appearances here and there before becoming commentator for about a month before leaving for TNA. That's enough recap from me, so let's do this. Oh one last thing. Angle would be released 5 days after this show and would debut for TNA about 5 weeks after this.

The opening video is generic to say the least. It's just promos and clips from the three major feuds. I'm really disappointed in this.

The 6 announcers welcome us to the show which takes a few minutes. Lawler says that he's the WWE's original party animal which just amuses me.

## Rey Mysterio vs. Chavo Guerrero

Remember how I said I was disappointed? That's nothing compared to this. This contest is being held because these two have been fighting over who was closer to Eddie. This is nothing short of disgusting to me. Eddie passed away less than a year ago, and this isn't even the first angle that was because of him. I get that he was a huge star, but you don't need to use him to further storylines.

Chavo says that Rey is living off of Eddie's legacy, which in reality he likely was as he got the world title at Mania, but that's a different argument for a different time. They show video packages of both men's relationships with Eddie as I feel like I'm in 5th grade. Seriously, this is like two 8 year old girls arguing over who someone's real best friend is. However, the other friend just happens to be dead. See? No matter how you say that it's not respectful or paying tribute. IT'S CREEPY.

Also, the whole Dominick storyline is completely omitted. In other words, thanks to the magic of WWE, the whole angle about Eddie trying to destroy Rey's family and steal his son has been completely forgiven. And people wonder why WWE is criticized so much. Apparently Chavo is retired or something but this is a one night only event. If only that were true. As much as I can't stand JBL in the ring, he's pretty good on commentary.

It's nice to have him out there as he was a wrestler far more recently than Tazz was. Chavo cost Rey the title. Thanks for mentioning that 3 minutes into the match. JBL makes an Arturo Gatti reference which is just weird to hear at this point. Chavo is complaining that Rey is trying to make a name off of Eddie. Yeah, I don't need to criticize that. JBL calls Chavo's comeback the biggest one since the resurrection. Again, don't even need to make fun of that.

JBL goes on to say that these are two of Smackdown's best. If this is one night only, wouldn't that mean he's not on Smackdown at the moment? Rey is having mask issues so we take a short break. Ok I like JBL. He's actually really good at this. They both stand on the top rope and...just kind of jump off. Yeah that spot looked really stupid. Bradshaw keeps calling him Shavo which is getting annoying.

Yeah JBL is already getting annoying. If he says "He's a Guerrero!" one more time I'm going to scream. Eddie was a groomsman at JBL's wedding? How much do they want to break down the walls between reality and kayfabe? 619 but Chavo avoids the senton and they go to the floor. Vickie, now with about another 50 pounds on her and in full annoying mode heads to the ring and goes after Chavo for no apparent reason, slapping him.

The three amigos get Chavo booed out of the building. Cole calls a hurricanrana a headscissors. Since Chavo got booed out of the building for the triple suplexes, Rey does them as well as everyone is being booed now. Rey goes up for a frog splash and Vickie tries to stop him, resulting in him getting crotchted. Chavo hits a suplex which is called a brainbuster, leading to the frog splash as Vickie screams to win it. Post match, they still won't shut up about how it's about family etc.

**Rating:** C+. The match was fine, but the rating is hurt a lot as this storyline is just flat out horrid. It's completely disrespectful, and while it got both of the Guerreros jobs, it just wasn't needed. There were about a dozen other ways to do this that wouldn't be disrespectful at all, nor would they have ticked off the crowd. I hated this, but the wrestling was ok I guess. It would have been better if I had watched it muted.

Booker and Sharmell are in the back with Booker still being British, which is oddly a far better gimmick for him. He was

completely generic as Booker T, but this is quite memorable. Edge and Lita come in and they argue about who the most powerful couple in wrestling is. That would be Vince and Linda.

This would lead to the triple threat challenge at Cyber Sunday which was all three championships on the line at the same time and was ended by Kevin freaking Federline. They make a bet about their title matches that didn't mean anything at all in the end.

Ad for the best managers DVD. That's a lost art in wrestling anymore.

It's time for the ECW title match. The story is pretty simple: Big Show is ECW Champion and Sabu wants to be. Sabu won a ladder match against Van Dam on ECW to get this match, albeit with help from Show. Styles screams that this was VINTAGE ECW. Is this a running joke that we just never caught on to?

#### ECW Title: Sabu vs. Big Show

This is extreme rules, and for the ECW WORLD Title. Yes it was called a world title back then. For those of you that haven't seen Sabu before, consider yourself lucky. He's the epitome of everything that's wrong with hardcore wrestling as his skills were limited at best and dangerous at worst. However, he was an extreme icon, so it's all good. The ECW belt looks like a toy on Show. Within 5 seconds of the bell, Sabu has hit Show 4 times with a chair. That's a good way of foreshadowing the match.

Show steps on it and crushes the chair which looks cool. This is more or less just Sabu using weapons and Show beating him up. It's a simple formula but it's working to an extent. The chair shots sounds SICK. If you think Hardy botches moves, he's Bret Hart compared to Sabu. It's table time, as Sabu is the guy that made them famous, far more so than the Dudleys who are more known for them.

Sabu gets him through the table which the more I think about it the more I think that it is nowhere near as great of a spot as it's built up to be. A Vader Bomb pretty much kills the Arabian. Big Show brings in a table and stairs which is a cheap indy show name if I've ever heard one. Show sets up a tiny bridge with a table over two sets of stairs.

Sabu climbs on it and of course it falls over, so he sets it again as Show just looks at him. Naturally, he's booed for it. Chokeslam through the table ends this, even though Sabu is on the table and therefore his shoulders are technically up, but why am I trying to use logic on a match like this?

**Rating:** C. It was a hardcore match with good chair shots. What are you really expecting here? It was fine for what it was, but it's nothing special. Sabu as usual was just flat out horrid and Show didn't have to do much. It was ok, as long as you don't take it too seriously.

We see Layla winning the Diva Search. Yeah I don't care either. In the divas locker room, Layla shows off her horrible acting skills while Trish yells at her for saying she doesn't belong here. Truer words have never been spoken. Three years have passed and Layla still can't do crap. Of course, in the end Trish is fine with it and everything is cool. They take her into the shower and spray her down with water. Yeah, it's stupider than it sounds.

A band called the Teddybears did the theme song. Is there a point to these things that I'm missing?

We get a recap of Hogan vs. Orton, which is billed perfectly as legend vs. legend killer. These Hogan highlight packages are always cool. More or less all this happened for was to get Hogan's reality show pushed and to promote Brooke. Orton hit on her and Hogan stopped him, resulting in Hogan getting RK0ed on a car.

We also get highlights of all the legends that Orton hit with

the RK0, which is a decent list I guess. We even got a parody complete with impersonators. More or less, this is Orton replacing Shawn, but lower on the card, as it should be.

### Hulk Hogan vs. Randy Orton

Wow Hogan goes on third? That's very surprising. Unless I'm overlooking something, this is Hogan's last match to date in WWE. He appeared once other than this at the 15th anniversary where he fought off Khali, but other than that he's been gone. You know it's a good thing Vince is rich. He has to pay a lot of money for roofs. Hogan of course gets the legendary pop that he deserves. Ross of course mentions that Hogan has a bad knee. Hulk Hogan doesn't get hurt you idiot.

Hogan definitely is looking smaller here, but he's still muscular. The reaction for Hogan really is awesome. I love the old school merchandise like the towel and shirts. The entrance goes on forever just like the old school ones did. This is always fun and this is no exception. This is a much better reaction than he got last year and I think it's because they got the formula right: Hogan vs. evil. That was the problem with Shawn.

He was still a face so why would we want to see Hogan beat him up? The fans didn't buy it so while it worked, it wasn't great. It's weird seeing someone being taller than Orton. In a head scratcher, Hogan gets put in a headlock and goes down to one knee in just a few seconds. Everyone goes a bit blind as the headband goes off. They use an overhand wristlock and it looks decent. I'm quite surprised. Other than shoving Orton at the beginning, it's been all Orton.

Dang it why is it that every time I say that the comeback begins? Hogan gets on the second rope and punches him, which for some reason surprises JR. It's not like this is a new thing for him. He hits a clothesline with authority, which is another term that's never made sense. How can a clothesline

have authority? Can it give you an infraction while you try to start a resistance? The bias for Hogan and his rule breaking will never cease to amuse me.

In a weird time, they mention that the fans from the old AWA days remember the times when he refused to obey the rules. Why not just go with the time he was a heel in the far more famous WCW? Maybe there's something to that theory of WWE never mentioning WCW because they know it's better. Orton finally goes for the knee which is what makes sense all along, as given away by the massive knee braces on both legs.

They finally mention that Hogan was the main event of Summerslam 90, which I've long since theorized. Apparently Orton is craving to be loved. Thank you Sigmund Ross. Orton slides under the big boot just like Shawn did last year and hits the picture perfect dropkick. Screw Bob Holly. Orton's dropkick is perfect. Now here we have something that makes me change my mind about a lot of the criticisms that Hogan gets.

Randy hits the RK0 and covers, and Hogan doesn't kick out. He puts his foot on the rope. That's very subtle but when you think about it, that's a huge show of respect to Orton. Of all of the big finishers that Hogan has been hit with over the years, I've never seen him not kick out of it with that big power move. He didn't power out of the RK0. He had to use the weaker kickout. That's a huge show of support for the young kid and it makes him look dominant.

The thing is they never mentioned it as a big deal, despite it being one of the biggest rubs that Hogan has ever given anyone. Anyway, Orton celebrates because he thinks that he's beaten the legend himself and maybe he has a right to, but Hogan's foot didn't go unnoticed by the referee despite the announcers being completely oblivious to it.

Hogan staggers to his feet and limps around in a circle shaking his head which is a truly sad sight to see in my eyes

as he just doesn't have the physical strength anymore to do it the way he used to. We all know how this is going to go. Hogan circles Orton, shakes a finger in his face, kicks him in the head and after about 15 seconds, drops the leg for the pin.

I love how nonchalant Hogan is after the legdrop, as if to say yeah I know he's not getting up for a month. Lawler marks out like an 8 year old for this and I love that. If this were anyone else I'd hate it but in this case it's fine as this is Hulk Hogan. He's the greatest ever and he should be treated as such. As Hogan celebrates we see a guy with a tattoo of Hogan all over his entire back. That's either creepy or awesome.

**Rating:** B. This is exactly what a modern Hogan match is supposed to be. You have a young guy that is kind of proven but not quite and he just can't beat Hogan despite getting close. Now some of you again might say that Hogan didn't give Randy the rub here, but on a closer look he did.

That lack of a kickout of the RK0 was in reality was huge. It made Orton look like a monster because it was enough to stop the super kickout from Hogan, which no other move has ever done in history. That's about as big of a rub as you could give.

We see a big party that was held yesterday announcing the debut of 24/7. Kennedy is there, which amuses me.

Foley is in the back and Melina comes up and hugs him. Now this was a very interesting storyline that I wish had been given more time to develop. Flair had run down Foley in his book and Foley did the same. There was a real life feud between these two but they've since patched things up. Melina was a real life friend of Foley who was stuck in the middle of this for some reason. They had agreed to an I Quit match here after having a pretty bad one at Vengeance.

Ric Flair vs. Mick Foley



Sweet goodness Lillian is amazing looking. Foley brings in some weapons with him. It's weird seeing Foley more or less as the heel and Flair as the face. There is legit animosity between these two which always helps things get better. Foley jumps him and it's on. Running knee to the face in the first ten seconds from Foley. And then he does it again with the garbage can.

Mandible Claw goes on and Flair is down. This is more or less a squash almost but Foley grabs the mic and says make it easy on yourself and say it's over. Naturally it's not over and Foley gets barbed wire. On his alternate commentary from his DVD, Foley says he felt he didn't have aggression here and he felt bad about it. Flair wraps barbed wire around his hand and CHOPS FOLEY. This left a HUGE scar on his chest that he shows on the DVD and it's awful looking.

Barbed wire board is rammed into the face of Flair and he slides under the ring to blade I think. Oh yeah he's busted open. The fans want tables. Something I'd like to do here is time how long between that chant starting and the amount of time before they're introduced. Teasing them like that is a great idea as we have to wait for awhile instead of instant gratification.

Barbed wire board dropped on Flair results in him shouting obscenities to Foley. Foley busts out the tacks as there hasn't been much of anything from Flair here. Flair is slammed onto the tacks for the second time in about two weeks after Show did it to him on ECW recently. Dang there are a ton of tacks in Flair's arms.

Time for the barbed wire bat here. Flair is bleeding like crazy at this point. And now Flair sends him into the post and beats his arm with the bat. Foley is apparently wearing a Japanese Cactus Jack t-shirt. BIG bump as Foley is on the apron and Flair gets a running start with the bat and sends Foley to the floor and he bangs his head on the concrete. Cue

Melina down to the ring to check on Foley who is out and the referee stops it.

Ok never mind as Flair decides that's not enough so we're going to keep going. Flair says he didn't say I Quit so we keep going. He beats on Foley even more until Melina throws the towel in for him and says he quits. Foley still didn't say I Quit so I don't get why Flair would accept that either. Oh ok he didn't. Foley quits seconds later I think after Flair threatens to hit Melina.

**Rating:** B-. On Foley's DVD he does commentary for this match and he says that it wasn't a very good match despite having a massive scar on his chest from the barb wire spot. He said that he never really took this as far as he could have to make it a truly bloody classic, but he thought it was ok. I would have to disagree with him to an extent though as it was at least decent.

Having Melina play into the equation at the end was a great move, despite her turning on Foley and having him fired less than a week later. I also really like the false ending as it makes you wonder how far they're going to take this one.

Vince and Shane are in the back with Estrada. They more or less say that Umaga will be backing them up tonight. JBL gets in one of the best secretive lines you'll ever hear as he calls him Armando Ali Baba Estrada. Back in OVW, Estrada played an Iranian character named Osama. That's a very nice little inside joke.

### Smackdown World Title: Booker T vs. Batista

There's no buildup here other than Booker is champion and Batista never actually lost the title but had to drop it due to injury. Booker's wife just does nothing but shout "All hail King Booker!" over and over. JBL's sucking up is quite humorous. She's at 11 times already. After 15 of them, we finally get Booker's entrance. Isn't that in essence a jobber

entrance? He's already in the ring when his announcement is made. Yep, Booker gets no respect.

Batista gets a solid pop but nothing mind blowing. This was one of three consecutive Smackdown PPV main events involving these two, so you really don't have to think that hard about why there were jokes about how repetitive these shows were. If I remember right these two had a legit fight backstage at some point and Booker beat up Batista with relative ease.

They botch a spinkick spot but I'm not sure who is to blame. Booker throws the kick but Batista wasn't there so they had to have him keep spinning. It didn't look that good. We get a loud and long boring chant as the first 2-3 minutes of this is primarily Booker having Batista in a chinlock. Batista is quite rusty here which is certainly playing a role here. Booker hits him with the scepter on the floor, which means Batista is moving even slower than he was before and that's saying a lot.

Back in to an arm hold, which is the same thing as a chinlock in essence. The crowd chants she's got herpes at Sharmell. This is just amusing. Booker gets crotched by missing a kick, so Batista, ever the strategist and in ring general, picks him up and drops him the same way over another rope. What's the point of that? Couldn't he do something more original than that?

Booker hits a missile dropkick which used to be his finishing move in WCW, yet here is just a run of the mill move and the same thing happens with the Book End. JBL makes a bowling analogy which makes me shake my head. Batista hits a jackhammer which Booker pops up from. I love how neither of these guys have an original move to save their life.

Batista hits a bad full nelson slam to set up the power bomb. Sharmell runs in and slaps Batista for the DQ. Yes that's actually the finish they went with. Post match Batista beats

up Booker and BADLY botches the Batista Bomb. He barely got him up and it looked like he was trying to use it on Khali.

**Rating:** D. For the second year in a row Batista has the worst match of the night. It was barely over 10 minutes long, it was about 4 and a half minutes of rest holds, and the finish was completely stupid. Batista botches so much out there that it was just horrid. If you want to know where the stigma of Batista sucks comes from, I present to you Exhibit A. This was just flat out awful all around and felt like it belonged on Smackdown.

Jeff Hardy is coming to Raw.

DX is talking to someone who we can't see and they tell him that Vince said Umaga is the biggest monster in the company.

Recap of DX vs. the McMahons and the feud that Satan is afraid of. This feud went on ALL summer and produced only a handful of decently funny moments. It was way too long and was stupid, primarily as it was DX vs. the Spirit Squad, who were tag champions at the time.

Despite beating them about 5 times, DX never won the tag titles. Why that's the case is beyond me. It might be because they couldn't have two major stars as champions. That couldn't happen. We need our male cheerleaders blast it!

### Vince McMahon/Shane McMahon vs. DX

In case you've forgotten it, Shawn made his Summerslam debut in a 6 man tag in 1989. Just thought I'd remind you because JR has only said it at the last three Summerslams. We get the traditionally way too long DX intro. Good night Lillian looks great. HHH says that we need to get ready to suck it. Shawn says if you're not down with that, they're going to tell you to suck it. Well I'm glad we've got so many choices to pick from.

To say JR doesn't like Vince is an understatement. Apparently one day Vince will run a hostile takeover of the afterlife. Spirit Squad runs out and uses their trampoline to come in. Two backdrops, a toss over the ropes, Sweet Chin Music and a Pedigree later they're gone and HHH has a new sweatband. Finlay, Regal and Kennedy run out to beat on DX. The McMahons haven't even left the stage yet in case you were wondering.

While the club from Finlay would usually drop Khali, since it's used on DX, it has little effect at all. Big Show is here now and as they try to fight him, we finally have some logic as the other EIGHT GUYS that DX beat up finally wake up and help out, so it's 9 on 2 here with the McMahons still to come. See, this is the first time ever that I can recall where Vince finally had a brain and realized he owned an army of guys to beat up whomever he was feuding with at the time.

He'd always send one at a time. You own the company Vince. Send out 10 guys at once or something to beat the other dude up. See how effective it can be? I really feel sorry for Styles and Tazz as they've been sitting there all night doing nothing after calling a single match. That's just stupid. Why not have them sit up near the entrance so they can at least go sit in the back after their match? HHH goes through the ECW table as Vince and Shane finally are in the ring.

JR is really getting annoying with this running Vince down. We finally have a bell. It's Vince against Shawn to start. Ross calls the heels the money maniacs. That's like the main event of Summerslam 88 from my nightmares. HHH is still on the floor from the chokeslam through the table. HHH tries to get up but Shane hits a baseball slide to knock him onto JR and King. Ross flips HHH over as he's ticked off about being covered by a big sweaty man.

The way it looked was just quite funny. Demolition Decapitator or whatever that move was called lands on Shawn. The McMahons hit a Hart Attack which is just appropriate being used on HBK.

This is followed up by a Doomsday Device. This is actually kind of cool. Of course HBK kicks out though and this isn't even surprising to the announcers. You have to love the power of kayfabe don't you? Shawn finally gets a tag and HHH looks perfectly fresh.

Even Hulk Hogan thinks a comeback like this is stupid. JR says it's adrenaline. I say it's nonsense. As if 9 run ins weren't enough, we make it a perfect ten as Umaga comes out. Oh wait it's 11 since Estrada is with him. We now have 15 people in this match, not counting the referee and 4 announcers, all of which have been involved in this match. Counting Lillian, that's 21 people that have been at ringside that we know the names of and have been involved in this match somehow.

Anyone else think that's a lot? It turns out that the person DX was talking to was Kane who chases Umaga off to start their feud which, shockingly enough, Kane jobbed in. Shane sets up for Coast to Coast but Shawn...knees him in the leg I guess, to stop it. Of course it's called Sweet Chin Music. It's probably good that he did that as Shane would have been about a foot short. Vince takes both finishers to end this mess.

The recaps and celebration goes on for about two and a half minutes just to make sure we know that this was really a huge win for our triumphant heroes. Somewhere around JR's 8th sports analogy for how amazing DX's win is, the faces are finally about to leave the arena. Oh wait, we have MORE replays for you. To begin with, they set for their double pose but I think Shawn's elbow is hurt as he can't do the double bicep. He was holding it earlier after going over the top rope with Shane.

They do a very good job of changing the camera angle for the Shane kick as it's from behind Shawn now and therefore looks like he actually got the kick. That's very smart and well done so points for that. Some big fat guy comes out about a foot and Shawn sort of acknowledges him, which I'd assume is

someone saying to wrap this up as it's over. I don't think he was supposed to be on camera.

**Rating:** C-. This was a very hard one to grade as it's just a mess. With more than ten people running in that aren't involved in the match at all, it's a hard one to grade. However, I'll give them credit for FINALLY getting the idea behind Vince as the evil owner right. However, at the end of the day, there was too much going on here for it to be taken seriously. The flaw with this feud is simple: DX are former world champions, and Vince and Shane are businessmen.

There's no reason to believe that the McMahons would have a chance at all here. Granted they got the theory correct by adding in a lot of people that know what they're doing to make the feud more interesting. It was better than I'm making it sound, but it wasn't great.

Kane actually helped out a lot here as he took away some of the ridiculous odds for DX. JR needs to shut up though, as for about 20 minutes he did nothing but talk about how great DX was and how evil the McMahons were. It's one thing to mention it a few times, but he must have cracked the 20s in times he complained about it. It was completely annoying and WAY overdone.

Wrestlemania 23 is in Detroit.

Time for the final recap of the night as we look at Cena vs. Edge. They tried as hard as they could to make this an epic feud and they got as close as possible without actually getting there. Edge won MITB in 2005 and shocked the world by stealing the title in January after an Elimination Chamber win by Cena. I remember watching that match and texting a former friend of mine that was a diehard Cena mark. I told her the next day that Cena lost the title to Edge and she almost fell over.

The reaction was great. Cena got the title back soon enough

but Edge won it from RVD on Raw in July. Edge beat up Cena's father 6 days prior to this, and Cena is the hometown boy here. We cut to the theme song of the show to get more clips from this feud, including the live sex celebration that as I've said a dozen times, was nothing special. It truly wasn't. It was them moving around under a blanket and nothing more. Big freaking deal.

### Raw World Title: Edge vs. John Cena

Apparently if Edge gets disqualified he loses the title. Cena gets a VERY mixed reaction. The main selling point here is Cena's father, which makes a lot of sense actually. Lita needs to freaking cut her bangs. You have a hot face. Show it off. She's Women's Champion here which was her final reign I believe. Correction it's her next to last reign as she would lose to Trish next month in Toronto so Trish could retire as champion.

Lita was gone in November, leaving the whole division completely destroyed, the issues of which are still being felt to this day. This is more or less standard stuff with Edge getting close to a bunch of count out wins. On one of these, Edge knocks Cena to the floor and Cena's eyes are just hilarious. They're bugged out all over the place as he looks like he just remembered that Christmas is tomorrow or some other cliché from a bad movie.

For some reason I have My Immortal by Evanescence stuck in my head. As you can tell, this match isn't holding my attention that well. Fans are solidly behind Edge it would seem. You have to love that in Cena's hometown he's still not popular. This was the era that Cena was beginning to be truly despised by a lot of fans in, as he was just constantly shoved down our throats, and it would only get worse as the year long title reign was coming.

However, I think those criticisms are unfair for one simple



reason: who else was the title going to go on? HHH would be injured in just a few months, HBK lost to Cena at Mania before feuding with Orton and would leave for knee surgery (which had to be legit. It's an HBK knee injury after all), and Cena was feuding with Edge right here. In short, who was there left to put the belt on, Umaga? See what I mean? There were no other choices other than for Cena to hold the title.

We get a Cena chant that is a lot stronger than I think it actually was if that makes sense. Cena starts his huge comeback of all his standard stuff, complete with an STFU. Lita sets up with the belt to hit Cena but Edge says no as it would cost him the title. She slips him some brass knucks after he makes the ropes though. FU is countered and Edge nails him in the back of the head with the brass which sounds awesome to end it and the show.

**Rating:** C+. This was fine, but just fine. It's nothing epic at all despite what the announcers would like you to believe. There really wasn't a solid main event this year and it showed bad. This would probably be the best choice for it though, as there's not a lot that would have topped this.

Either way, the match was just ok, but it felt like the title should have changed here. It would change the next month in Toronto as Cena was booed out of the building, so why wait? Why not have Cena get the big win here in his own hometown? Either way, this was ok but nothing great.

**Overall Rating:** C+. This show is the epitome of slightly above average. Everything on it is just ok. There isn't a big moment or a big match that makes it jump off the page at you, as Flair and Foley or Cena/Edge is probably the match of the night by pure default. It's an ok show and watchable, but it's nothing great at all.

DX vs. McMahons was ok, but just ok. That's the only thing I can think of to describe any of the matches on here: ok, but

just ok. It's nothing special at all and because of that, it's right in the middle of recommended and not recommended. Some might like it but others will be bored out of their minds.