

ECW on TNN – November 12, 1999: Raven Did The Right Thing

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Location: Hara Arena, Dayton, Ohio

Attendance: 5,000

Commentators: Joey Styles, Joel Gertner

We're past November to Remember now and for the most part nothing has happened. The Impact Players and Rhyno won the main event which meant nothing at all. Other than that RVD is still TV Champion and Awesome is still world champion as well. It's time to build to Guilty As Charged which at least had some bigger matches on it. I'm not sure what's going on tonight so let's get to it.

The Impact Players arrive but Jason says Sandman is on the warpath. Rhyno pops up and says he's not worried about Sandman because he'll Gore him in half.

Opening sequence.

Joey runs down the card and plugs the website, which has a lot of stuff about the PPV apparently.

Dreamer is sitting in a bathroom and imitates Raven. Apparently Raven is just like all of us rather than being all hurt and disturbed. Raven wants to destroy Dreamer, but what can he put Dreamer through that he hasn't been through already? Dreamer busts himself open by ramming his head into a wall.

Jerry Lynn vs. Steve Corino

Corino says the thing that bothers him the most are people that refuse to wrestle hurt. He has a bad appendix but has been wrestling for months now. Jerry has bad ribs here but he runs over the manager Corino is here. They quickly head to the floor with Corino being sent into the barricade and then into a chair. The "injured" Jack Victory gets up but a low blow puts him down. It does however allow Corino to get in a chair shot to the bad ribs followed by a backbreaker for no cover. Corino charges into a boot and Lynn hits a tornado DDT to take over. Cradle Piledriver hits and we're done. Too short to rate but it was fine.

Tajiri runs in post match and Mists Lynn. Super Crazy runs in for the save but the blind Lynn goes after Crazy for a bit, which goes nowhere.

Cyrus says TNN is happy with Joey on commentary but they don't care for Gertner at all. This would go on for MONTHS. Apparently Gertner has heat with the boys and gets himself over at the expense of the boys. My goodness every word he says could apply to Cole today. What's Cyrus doing today anyway? Joel went too far when he went at Taz (Joel got choked out from behind) at the PPV so there's going to be a meeting about Joel's future.

Gertner is stunned.

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Post break Joel begs the cameraman to spread some good words about him. This is supposed to be a parody of the WWF corporate structure I think but it's missing badly.

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Yoshihiro Tajiri vs. Super Crazy

They go to the mat for their usual fast paced sequence. Tajiri armdrags him down and it's headscissors a go-go. It's a standoff so they head to the floor with Tajiri hitting a huge dive over the top. They head into the crowd with Crazy taking over with a clothesline. Crazy dives out of a balcony and they head back to ringside. Tajiri sends him into the barricade and we go back inside.

A sunset flip is countered by Crazy but Tajiri reverses the counter into the Tarantula. Crazy shrugs that off and hooks a surfboard with a dragon sleeper. Brainbuster by Tajiri is broken up but the triple moonsault hits knees. Jerry Lynn runs in to attack Tajiri but Crazy goes after Jerry as well. A Cradle Piledriver to Crazy is followed by a standing moonsault from Tajiri for the pin.

Rating: C. This was a pretty wild brawl which is pretty unnecessary when you have guys that work together like these two do. The ending doesn't make a lot of sense as Crazy saved Lynn earlier but they fought here. Crazy went after Lynn first too, but why would he do that? Because of the blind attack earlier? If Crazy was watching the match and knew that Lynn needed a save, wouldn't he have known that Lynn was blinded? See why this year was bad for the company overall?

Rhyno vs. Sandman

Actually scratch that as we go to Axl Rotten and Balls Mahoney in the back who talk about beating up the Baldies. They're in a bathroom and the Baldies jump out of the stalls to beat them down. You didn't miss any of the match as that was all during Sandman's entrance. Rhyno immediately gores him down and Corino steals the cane. A powerslam gets two and Rhyno yells at the fans. Sandman gets sent to the floor and then into the barricade to make it a matching set.

The drunk takes over by sending Rhyno into the steel and they go back inside. Why would Sandy want to go back into the ring? You see new stuff every day. The Heinken-rana (yes that's really what it's called) hits but

Rhyno comes back with a powerslam for two. Rhyno misses a Swan Dive onto a chair and it's a White Russian for Corino. Sandman canes Rhyno down and here's Credible to cane Sandman. The match is thrown out somewhere in here.

Rating: D+. The fans liked it but this was much more of a brawl than a match. This was Sandman's return from an injury so you can't really blame him much for being out of rhythm. Then again that might be due to near alcohol poisoning but that goes without saying. There wasn't much here but it was fun for the live crowd.

Dreamer comes out for the second save but Storm comes in and beats him down too. Raven is watching in the back and finally runs in for the save. Sandman destroys Raven for past hatreds until Dreamer takes him down.

Raven wants to know why he got beaten up after he did the right thing. He says Dreamer let the drunk beat him up like his dad did when he was seven. Raven cries while saying he did the right thing over and over to end the show.

Overall Rating: D+. This was barely a fallout from November to Remember as almost nothing on that show was mentioned. To be fair, that probably has to do with this show being taped before the PPV happened but that's no excuse. It makes for a dull TV show because it's basically a throwaway episode due to the taping schedule. Then again the next PPV was in about two months so they had some to throw away.

Since I screwed up the previous review's link, here's November to Remember if you're interested:

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