NXT - September 12, 2012: Too Much Dusty Is Not A Good Thing

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Back to Florida for the best run TV show in wrestling every week. The main feud seems to be Richie/Ricky Steamboat vs. Kassius Ohno which doesn't really do much for me. Both guys are pretty dull in the ring but Ohno made me chuckle in the backstage segment last week. Other than that we're still looking for a challenger for Rollins so maybe we'll have some development in that tonight. Let's get to it.

Jey Uso vs. Kenneth Cameron

Jey takes him down to start and throws Cameron out to the floor. Back in and Jey runs into a boot in the corner as Kenneth takes over. I love Ascension's look. They look like guys that could beat the tar out of anyone which is something you rarely get in tag teams anymore. A clothesline sets up a chinlock with a bodyscissors by Cameron.

Back up and Jey tries to speed things up, only to get hiptossed into the corner. After another clothesline from Cameron, Jey tries to speed things up and gets in some shots to the face, but O'Brien trips him up on the floor. Cameron hits what looked like a suplex but I think there was supposed to be a kind of spin into a cutter at the end. Not that it really matters as it looked like a suplex and only gets two. Jimmy superkicks O'Brien down and the distraction lets Jey hit a superkick for the pin at 5:26.

Rating: C+. This is something you hardly ever see anymore: a competitive midcard match that never got boring and had a quick ending. Another thing that NXT has over Raw and Smackdown: the announcers mostly talk about the match. On the main shows they have to hype the main event, which is fine, but I don't need to hear about 35 different social media platforms every five minutes. It's ok to explain why we should care about what we're watching in the ring every now and then, and you get that on NXT.

The Usos celebrate in the crowd.

Dusty Rhodes is talking to someone when Rick Victor comes in and demands an NXT Title shot. Dusty says prove you're worthy of one. Short and simple.

Big E. Langston vs. Chad Baxter

Langston pounds him down to start and easily blocks a sunset flip. The fans chant for Chad for some reason. The fans don't exactly fire him up as Langston hits three straight backbreakers followed by a running splash (Vader used to do this. I'm not sure what to call it but Baxter was standing in the middle of the ring and Langston hit a standing splash to knock him down) and the falling slam for the pin at 1:58.

Post match Langston hits another falling slam and counts himself a five count. Langston says a three count is normal, but he isn't normal so it's five counts for him. He gives Baxter a third slam and gets another five count. This goes on too long but the fans are digging Langston.

Ohno says next week he's going to have a sparring session.

We get a video on Trent Barretta missing. He's been found though and he's back next week.

Garrett Dylan vs. Damien Sandow

Sandow says that Dylan has the option of getting beaten up or sitting ringside for a lecture Sandow has prepared. Sandow pounds him down into the corner and continues to do so in the middle of the ring. Dylan gets in some basic offense but gets taken down, hit with the wind up elbow and the double arm neckbreaker gets the pin at 1:35.

Rollins doesn't care who he faces for the title. Rick Victor comes up and says he doubts Rollins even knows his name. Rollins agrees so Victor slaps him. Victor is ono the top of Rollins' list now.

Raw ReBound is about Cena vs. Punk at the end of the show.

Rollins talks to Dusty and demands a match with Victor next week.

Tyson Kidd vs. Michael McGillicutty

Winner gets a shot at Rollins somewhere down the line. See how much a title can enhance a feud like this one? They head to the mat quickly and McGillicutty controls with a headscissors. Kidd counters into an armbar but Michael makes the rope. They fight over a wristlock until Kidd suplexes him to the mat to take over. McGillicutty grabs a headlock on the mat but Kidd rolls out and sends McGillicutty to the floor.

Back in and McGillicutty elbows him down and we take a break. We come back McGillicutty holding a chinlock, only to get taken down by a sunset flip. McGillicutty gets a two count of his own and the fans chant SHAH with every count. I remember the ECW fans doing that for Hack Meyers but why are they doing it for McGillicutty? Kidd gets sent into the buckle but he kicks McGillicutty in the face to escape a suplex back into the ring.

Kidd speeds things up and hits his dropkick to the side of Michael's head for two. McGillicutty slides to the floor to avoid a spin kick but Kidd hits a kick through the ropes and a kick off the apron to take Michael down. Back in and a springboard elbow hits McGillicutty's knees. Wouldn't that hurt McGillicutty just as much?

Perfectplex gets two but Michael gets crotched on the top. Kidd tries a top rope rana and it mostly hits, but his feet were under McGillicutty's arms. I've seen him do that before so maybe it's intentional. A jawbreaker staggers Kidd but he comes back with an enziguri. McGillicutty ducks and the McGillicutter gets the pin for Michael at 10:30 shown of 14:00.

Rating: B-. These two have great chemistry against each other and the match here was another good one. The ending was nice and fast paced with McGillicutty knowing Kidd's offense well enough to avoid it and hit the McGillicutter to end it. Also, this is another reason why the title helps the show: it gives these two a reason to fight some more.

Overall Rating: C+. Good stuff here again but I'm worried about Dusty being on the show three times in one episode. One of the best things about NXT is that they don't waste any time on stuff like GM's and match making like they do on Monday and Friday. I'm hoping this is just a one off thing and it doesn't happen every week because it'll bring the show down.

Results

Jey Uso b. Kenneth Cameron — Superkick

Big E. Langston b. Chad Baxter — Falling Slam

Damien Sandow b. Garrett Dylan - Double Arm Neckbreaker

Michael McGillicutty b. Tyson Kidd — McGillicutter

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