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Obviously we're in Mexico now and we only have two people left. The Young suspension may be a blessing in disguise as it might give them an opening to round out this season after the thirty two weeks they've had so far. After last week there aren't any major loose ends that need to be tied up so maybe there's a means to an end now. Let's get to it.

We start in the ring....WITH A CHALLENGE??? Striker has a rope and there are flags around the ring ropes (not the one Striker is holding). It's a capture the flag challenge. There are only O'Neil and Bateman left. This is worth 15 points to really make sure we make the rest of the challenges before this worthless by comparison. They both have on weightlifting belts and there's a rope attached on their backs. Whoever can get the most flags wins. And after about 15 seconds Bateman jumps Titus and leaves him laying. Titus wins and the main event tonight is Titus/Percy vs. Bateman and whoever Bateman picks.

Tyler Reks vs. Yoshi Tatsu

Hawkins is limping to the rings with Reks. Reks and Hawkins complain about the injury and Reks sounds nothing like his looks would make you expect. Reks overpowers him to start so Tatsu chops away. Yoshi snaps off a spinwheel kick to take over so Reks, being a modern WWE heel, hides. Reks takes over again and the fans don't seem all that impressed by him.

An O'Connor Roll doesn't work for Tatsu and Reks works on the back a bit. Tatsu responds by hitting a big kick to the

head...and never mind as Reks beats him down all over again. Yoshi dodges a charge and Reks' shoulder hits the post. That allows Tatsu to go up top for the spinwheel kick and the pin at 4:33.

Rating: C-. Not much of a match here but it was fine. This was very basic as they were keeping things simple, primarily due to there only being about 4 and a half minutes to work with. Tatsu's new look hasn't meant much of anything, but at least he's not talking about an action figure anymore.

Post match Reks and Hawkins beat down Tatsu but the Usos make the save. I smell a 6 man.

AJ has a note in the back when Kaitlyn comes in. It's from Horny and he says leaving is the best decision he ever made. Kaitlyn says it's from Maxine. Kaitlyn, who looks a lot worse with light blonde hair, fights Maxine next.

Kaitlyn vs. Maxine

Both of them look good but Kaitlyn looks better with darker hair. She has great legs though. Maxine is in essence in a swimsuit. Here's your Maxine fact: her aunt is a careless maiden from Guadalajara who is engaged to a one legged Elvis impersonator who does a great version of Blue Suede Shoes. The match is your usual basic stuff here that isn't very good.

Maxine hooks something like a dragon sleeper but Kaitlyn falls into the ropes. The fans here do not care at all. All Maxine so far but I'd rather look at Kaitlyn in gold so I'm not paying attention to the match here. Kaitlyn takes over with her horrible looking offense. She hits a Bubba Bomb and then a full nelson with her legs to make Maxine tap (with her foot) out at 4:48.

Rating: D. It's your usual bad Divas match and more proof that AJ was the best choice for the 3rd season winner. Kaitlyn looks great in tight gold shorts and other than that, she's

about as worthless as anyone else you're going to find on the roster. Not much here overall and the girls just aren't that good. Granted this is on NXT so it's not like anyone is watching them.

Video on how insane Raw has been lately and how its been in chaos, even dating back to Punk winning the title at MITB. This eats up like five minutes.

Kidd turns down Bateman to be his partner. Maxine comes up to yell at him for not being here. She leaves and JTG comes up to agree to be his partner. Oh my.

Percy Watson/Titus O'Neil vs. JTG/Derrick Bateman

Bateman vs. Watson gets us going and Watson shows off a bit. We go to the mat with a headlock as Regal explains exactly where the arm is supposed to be for it to hurt the most. Leave it to an old villain to know that. There's a double tag and JTG gets his head kicked off. That was a nice touch because I don't like JTG. O'Neil has black and pink on for breast cancer awareness. That's always cool.

The good guys double team JTG for awhile and rule the ring as we take a break. Back with Bateman hammering away on Watson which doesn't work all that well for him. They head to the floor and Bateman hits a missile dropkick off the apron which gets two back in the ring. Off to JTG again who hammers away a bit more. A spinning neckbreaker gets two. Watson tries to fight back and the fans react to it.

This match has somehow been going on for ten minutes. It's one of those matches where nothing has been going on at all but it's been happening if that makes sense. Titus finally gets the hot tag that we know has been coming for awhile now. Bateman breaks up the pin but misses a top rope cross body. Clash of the Titus ends this at 10:41.

Rating: D+. The match was pretty boring but the problem with

it is that it summarizes the main problem that these guys are having anymore: there is no reason at all for these matches to take place. If we're just waiting around for the end of the show and the matches don't really count towards records or standings or anything, what's the point? I mean, how many times can O'Neil pin Bateman before it stops meaning anything? I think that's the question they're trying to answer.

Overall Rating: C-. Not a horrible show but at the same time it reiterates the same issue I just went into: this show is chasing its own tail. We're no closer to finding a winner of this competition than we were two months ago and the only thing that has really changed is that Young is gone and that's not even because of the show but rather him being Wellnessed. Young will be able to return in about two and a half weeks and he'll probably be brought back and we'll be right back where we were two weeks ago. Such is the life of NXT I guess.

Results

Yoshi Tatsu b. Tyler Reks – Top Rope Spinwheel Kick

Kaitlyn b. Maxine – Full Nelson Leglock

Titus O'Neil/Percy Watson b. JTG/Derrick Bateman – Clash of the Titus to Bateman

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