

Lockdown 2014 Preview

Yeah, TNA still has pay per views. It's been six months since the last one, but TNA still have them. We'll go with the main events first. Magnus over Joe to retain the title. They've spent way too much time building up Magnus to have him lose his first PPV title defense. Unfortunately TNA has gotten into this habit of building up long drawn out stories that can only really change at Bound For Glory, making the seven or so months leading up to them rather pointless. I think that's where we're going here as Magnus' title reign is built up as unbeatable until someone stops him at Bound For Glory.

Lethal Lockdown seems to be too easy to mess up. At the end of the day, MVP's team is just too strong to lose a straight match, but the last thing I want to see is Dixie begging to get power back. The second to last thing I want to see is Dixie with all the power, but it seems that we're going to get one of those things. You know, because Dixie is what really drives TNA of course. I'll go with Team Dixie for the win in a screwjob ending, because that's what TNA does when they have something good going.

Storm over Gunner with the Last Call. Gunner isn't a long term top guy and I think TNA knows it.

I'll take Gail to win the Knockouts Title in the cage because we haven't gone long enough without Gail talking about how she is the best Knockout in the world and issuing open challenges for the title because the idea of having a story in that division is just not going to happen no matter how long we need one.

There's a six man X-Division tag with three guys from Wrestle-1 in Japan against Bad Influence and Chris Sabin. I still don't get how this is supposed to appeal to the American

fans. It helps a bit with the international fans, which is fine but it might be a good idea to focus on America where the business is based. Does TNA think people are going to buy this show for Great Muta, who was a hot young act nearly 25 years ago? The other guys are the current X-Division Champion who beat Aries for the title in Japan recently and a guy who doesn't even have a Wikipedia page. I get that the match will be action packed and fun, but it's only going to do them so much good. Then again I've never been a fan of the invasion angles at all.

Tigre Uno over Manik. They've spent too much time building up Tigre with promos to have him lose his debut.

I'll go with Samuel Shaw over Anderson, setting up a rematch down the line.

Ethan Carter III over whoever they bring in to face him in Angle's place.

Overall Lockdown doesn't really interest me all that much. At the end of the day, they have eight matches on the card. Two of them are with guys debuting for the company with no story and a third is a mystery opponent. When you're only running one PPV every six months, I need a little bit more than a card with nearly half the matches having no backstory. The show should be fun as TNA PPVs usually deliver, but this doesn't blow my skirt up. The fact that every match is in a cage makes it even worse.

Thoughts/predictions?