

Reviewing the Review – Monday Night Raw – August 10, 2015

So here's the thing: I really don't think this show warrants a full on Reviewing the Review. It's a stand alone show that is built around the drama of "Will Cena be at Summerslam or not." Well now we know the answer to that question, I really don't see the need to go through the entire show when nothing major happened and it was built around building to Summerslam, most of which is already set in stone. There were a few interesting things on the show which I'll cover here, but this won't be a step by step version of the show, as it would really be a big waste of your time.

Obviously the major story was Orton vs. Cesaro vs. Owens in a triple threat for a shot at the title later in the night, but I don't think the ending was ever in any serious doubt. Orton winning makes the most sense as he only has a minor story going on right now and you can easily put him in a title match, have him lose, and suffer no harm. Both matches were good, but the Sheamus interference was obvious from the second Orton pinned Cesaro.

There was a long video on Lesnar vs. Undertaker. It went well enough, but there were better ways to set up the match than the 123rd version of "yeah the Streak was amazing and I didn't think anyone would ever break it but Brock did and it was amazing" from a bunch of midcarders.

Miz, Ryback and Daniel Bryan did some stuff. It's as riveting as it sounds but I like Ryback more and more every week.

Neville beat King Barrett in a minute and twenty seconds before setting up the tag match with Stephen Amell at Summerslam. I like the idea of Amell in there as he's in great shape and looks like an athlete, but the Barrett squash just killed me. Bring up someone from NXT for that spot if it's going to be so short, but find SOMEONE else to take a quick beating like that. It doesn't accomplish anything and I really don't want to see Barrett at Summerslam now.

So yeah, Raw was good this week and most of the stuff didn't need any further discussion. Summerslam is looking great and the final go home show should offer a bit more to talk about.

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