

# Ring of Honor TV – November 11, 2015: Feeling Froggy

## Ring of Honor

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We're on a new taping cycle now as we've hit Glory By Honor. These should be some better TV shows as most tapings with names tend to be. The big story continues to be the build towards Lethal's next title defenses against Roderick Strong and AJ Styles, but we also have Adam Cole vs. Kyle O'Reilly likely about to be announced for Final Battle. Let's get to it.

Opening sequence.

### Cedric Alexander vs. ACH

Cedric has Veda Scott in his corner and that's always a good way to open a show. ACH is coming up on the final match in his best of five series against Matt Sydal. Cedric isn't interested in a handshake here so we have a feeling out process to start. A few kicks send Cedric to the ropes for a quick meeting with Veda and they trade flips over each other. ACH misses an enziguri and Cedric slams him head first into the mat.

Never one to sell for very long, ACH kicks him out to the floor but Veda blocks a dive, allowing Cedric to hit a running STO onto the apron as we take a break. Back with Alexander hitting some rolling suplexes and smiling a lot. It's a bit too much smiling though as ACH grabs a downward spiral into the top turnbuckle. The same missed enziguri works a bit better this time as ACH bounces back with a kick to the jaw.

Cedric rolls to the floor but another Veda distraction blocks the dive. You know they're getting in their dives on this show though as ACH hits that Jordan dive (Kelly: "Like a young Nigel McGuinness!") of his. Back in and a German suplex gets two on Cedric and another kick to the head

puts Alexander down again. The Dub Dub Stomp (egads the names in this place) misses and Cedric nails a running dropkick in the corner. He slips off the springboard though and ACH hits a superkick for indy darling move #1. It's followed by indy darling move #2 with a brainbuster, followed by the Midnight Star to pin Cedric at 11:25.

**Rating:** C-. I know that's something that's going to get me yelled at but I really don't like this kick and flip style. Alexander and Scott make a good pair, though it would be nice if he won something big after the feud with Moose. ACH on the other hand....I just can't get behind him. He's the definition of a flippy guy (though to be fair they're good flips) which makes for exciting matches, but they seem to be setting him up for something bigger. If that's the case, he needs to change his style a bit.

Post match ACH says he's going to beat Sydal.

After a break, Veda blames Nigel for the slip because of so much baby oil on the ropes.

#### Will Ferrara vs. Caprice Coleman

Before the match Caprice asks the fans to cheer for Ferrara but says he hasn't taught him everything yet. They trade some armdrags with Ferrara getting control with some armbars. Caprice slams him back down but Will snaps the arm to stop him again. An STO (we get it: you played No Mercy) puts Ferrara into the turnbuckle for two and some knees to the chest keep him in trouble.

Ferrara comes back with a tornado DDT (I'm sick of that move) for two as Prince Nana comes out to watch. Back up and Will misses a charge into the post but Caprice doesn't mind as he sends Ferrara's shoulder into the steel again. A one arm camel clutch (the Judgment Seat) gives Caprice the win at 6:01.

**Rating:** C. This told a much better story as Coleman couldn't hang with Ferrara as well as he thought he did so he cheated to win. Presumably this leads to a heel turn and a spot in the Embassy for Coleman, which is probably a good idea for him as the midcard veteran is only going to get him so far.

Nana gives Ferrara an envelope of his own post match.

It's Storytime with Adam Cole where he gets to talk about whatever he wants. In this case it's his issues with Kyle O'Reilly, even though everyone knows that Cole is the better man. After a clip of Cole pinning Kyle last week, we see him making Kyle tap back in 2012 in New York. Adam says that's all the proof you need, but he's not done until Kyle is out of ROH. Cole is far and away better than most of the roster on the mic.

Prince Nana says the envelopes contain the secrets to life. He is far from done in Ring of Honor.

We look back at the All Night Express (Kenny King and Rhett Titus) beating the Briscoe Brothers at All-Star Extravaganza.

#### All Night Express vs. Briscoe Brothers

Kenny and Mark get things going with Mark grabbing a headlock but taking a right hand to the jaw. It's quickly off to Titus who walks into a belly to belly, allowing Jay to come in but he's quickly taken down with a double shot to the face. Titus' splash gets two and we're already in the chinlock.

That goes nowhere so Jay comes back with a boot to the face, allowing for the hot tag (this early?) to Mark. Chops and a big flip dive have the Express in trouble and Titus gets stomped down in the corner. A quick Snake Eyes drops Mark but Jay is smart enough to break up the tag before Titus can go anywhere. Back from a quick break with Titus rolling over for the tag to speed things up.

Kenny cleans house and drops Jay off the apron to keep Mark in trouble. I love smart wrestling. King takes too much time posing though and walks into a forearm from Jay. The Doomsday Device to Titus is broken up but so is the One Night Stand. Jay's suicide dive sends Titus into the barricade and Mark adds a Blockbuster off the apron to King. The Jay Driller and Froggy Bo put Titus away at 11:32.

**Rating:** B-. Much better than the other two matches here as they went with a tag formula of keeping it moving the whole time. The Express is a good

team but the Briscoes are running into the problem that so many dominant acts have had to deal with over the years: what do you do when you've won everything? I know it's been awhile but is winning another title going to mean much?

They shake hands to end the show.

**Overall Rating:** C. As usual Ring of Honor is a really easy forty five minutes to sit through as it comes and goes with a few good matches and some simple, well done stories. It helps so much that they have an hour on TV a week because it doesn't have time to get weighed down. Unfortunately we might be coming up on another weird schedule due to Survival of the Fittest, but that's one of the things you have to deal with in ROH. Still though, fun show this week as is becoming the norm.

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