

Live Notes From Monday Night Raw

Back from the show with some quick notes.

1. This wasn't the most interesting show. The big reveal of Balor at the end was hardly a surprise, though that's just going to happen every now and then. Other than that we had Reigns' promo (which only kind of felt like a heel turn as WWE still won't go full speed ahead with anything he does), the Revival (again not really a surprise) and Angle as GM (not really a surprise, though Teddy Long's R-Truth style cameo was hilarious).

2. Reigns reached a new level of booing tonight. I've never seen such loathing.

3. The THANK YOU TAKER opening was rather touching.

4. As is always the case on here, the wrestling meant nothing, though it's not supposed to.

5. Uh....oh yeah there's the Draft (or whatever it is), which is going to change everything. That kind of makes tonight's show worthless, which isn't the best possible idea. Make the announced next week and do the Draft in two weeks, or after Payback. It's not like it's doing you much good by announcing it tonight.

6. Overall, the show was entertaining, but it's kind of collapsing under its own reputation. If you don't have 134 different stories and angles and surprises, it feels underwhelming. It was good, though there's only so much you can do when your surprises aren't really surprises.

7. Oh and the beach balls. SCREW OFF WITH THOSE THINGS ALREADY! During the Neville match, there were probably close to 25 of them being batted around in the span of five minutes. It's really, REALLY distracting for someone trying to watch the match (much like the Wave in the main event) but then again this crowd, which claims to be a bunch of wrestling fans,

would rather entertain themselves because apparently WWE doesn't do it for them.

8. Could anyone make out what they were chanting during Sheamus/Cesaro's match? I never could get it.