

Ring of Honor TV – October 17, 2018: The Return To The Land Of Flips And Dives



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We're FINALLY after the previous month's pay per view and that means it's time to do something fresh. Of course around here that doesn't mean much as Glory By Honor, as in the next major show, has already taken place. I really can't even mock them for this anymore as it's still such a problem. Let's get to it.

[Here are last week's results if you need a recap.](#)

We open with a recap of the ending of Death Before Dishonor, where Jay Lethal successfully defended the World Title against Will Ospreay but the Kingdom came in and beat him down. Matt Taven, now with a haircut, has his own World Title.

Opening sequence.

Here's the Kingdom to take over the ring. They're about to do something

that should have been done a long time ago. The Kingdom has been silenced for far too long and the referee has to hold the title while the ring announcer reads off Taven's resume. The last line says Taven is the ROH World Champion, which requires some coercing to be announced. No one comes out, but at least Lethal has a new challenger.

Video on Jeff Cobb showing up and then wrecking TV Champion Punishment Martinez. That could be a heck of a fight.

Chase Owens vs. Kenny King

Owens is Bullet Club and King is the hometown boy. They go to the arm holds to start until neither can kick the other in the face. King goes after the arm again but gets sent to the apron and dropkicked to the floor. Back from a break with Owens hitting a running neckbreaker for a delayed two until King slugs his way back into it.

The spinning leg lariat has Owens on the floor for the spinning corkscrew dive. A high crossbody gives King two and we hit a quickly broken chinlock. Owens loads up a swinging neckbreaker but twists it back into a faceplant for two of his own. The package piledriver is broken up and King bounces off the ropes but his knee buckles. Since Owens is dumb enough to fall for this, King small packages him for the pin at 9:43.

Rating: D+. You would think King would start getting better at putting a match together over time but that's still not the case. It's just spot after spot and then the finish with nothing connecting the sections together. The match wasn't horrible or anything but Owens is just kind of there and King needs someone to help him along.

Coast To Coast is ready to win the Tag Team Titles next week.

Back to Death Before Dishonor, where Colt Cabana joined Bully Ray and Silas Young to beat down Colt Cabana and Flip Gordon.

Flip Gordon vs. Shane Taylor

Hang on though as Flip grabs a mic. Gordon will fight him tonight but first, he needs to call out Bully Ray. At Death Before Dishonor, Ray had to cheat before the tag team tables match but Gordon put him through a

table anyway. Ray couldn't handle that though and had to screw him over. So what does Ray want next? TLC? A Las Vegas street fight?

Here's Ray to ask if he's bothering Flip. Ray: "Are you upset that I keep kicking you in the balls?" As Ray talks, Taylor grabs a chair and here's Silas Young for a low blow. The beatdown is on and no one comes out to help Gordon, despite Ray begging for someone to do so. Ian seems more interested than anyone else.

The Briscoes aren't worried about Coast to Coast.

Jay Lethal is proud about Ring of Honor selling out Madison Square Garden and he'd love to come in defending the title.

The Kingdom leaves the arena.

We recap the show to fill time.

Next week: Coast to Coast vs. Briscoes, Cobb vs. Martinez for the TV Title and Marty Scurll vs. Chris Sabin.

Addiction vs. Best Friends vs. Los Ingobernables de Japon vs. Young Bucks

One fall to a finish and it's Evil and Sanada for LIJ. Since there's no bell after the break, I'm not sure if this is joined in progress or everyone just being really rude. It's a huge brawl to start (I mean...duh) with the Bucks taking over (I repeat my duh) until Chuck sends them together. The lawn dart cutter sends Matt to the floor but LIJ breaks up the big hug. It's Addiction's turn to clean house with a clothesline to the back of Evil's head and a double stomp, followed by a pair of moonsaults to Sanada.

We hit the string of dives with Nick hitting the big springboard version. Barretta loads up one of his own but stops for a hug, followed by the stereo flip dives from the Friends. We head back in...FOR THE OPENING BELL, three and a half minutes after the fighting started. Ian: "WHAT???" Sanada ties Daniels and Kazarian up to start (for the second time) and it's a double dropkick for two on Daniels. Evil gets two off a side slam and we hit the chinlock to send us to a break.

Back with Daniels faceplanting Evil but the Friends, now in sunglasses, pull Kazarian off the apron. As Ian points out how dumb that was, Daniels fights back and makes the hot tag to Nick for the house cleaning. The Friends come in as well and get flipped around but it's too early for More Bang For Your Buck. Kazarian's slingshot cutter hits Trent but Sanada is ready for him with a hanging swinging neckbreaker.

Trent comes back in with a tornado DDT but Evil uses the referee for a Magic Killer. Angel's Wings drops Matt and the Awful Waffle gets two so Chuckie actually makes a tag. How nice of him. The Dude Buster hits Matt but Nick Swantons in for the save. Nick superkicks almost everyone until Matt turns it into double superkicks to everyone else. A dive onto a bunch of people sets up the Meltzer Driver for the pin on Trent at 7:50.

Rating: C+. Well what we got was good and being realistic, you might as well add in the pre-match stuff as part of the match itself. This was all about flying all over the place with very little story involved and there's nothing wrong with that whatsoever. We got a fun match out of the eight guys and there's nothing wrong with that. Entertaining match with the fans way into it.

Overall Rating: C. It might not be a great show but it's so nice to have something that ACTUALLY MATTERS. The Taven stuff is going to depend on your opinion of the guy and while I'm still not a fan, he's definitely better than he was just a few months ago. The main event was entertaining as well and the show was far easier to sit through than some of the dumb stuff they've done in recent weeks. Now just end the Bully Ray As The Super Heel story and we'll be fine.

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