Best Of 2010s: Group/Tag Team Of The Year



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This is something where you can probably guess the headliners, but it was a good decade for both trios and tag teams. There might not have been as many great stables, but the group mentality got a nice boost over the decade. Some of the ones on here are among the best the WWE has ever had and that might never be topped. But what was the best of the last ten years?

Honorable Mention

Motor City Machine Guns – Someone mentioned them as a possibility and while I wrote it off at first, the more I think about it, the more they deserve at least a mention. With the influence they have, it's hard to not at least include them somewhere.

Briscoes - Best modern tag team never in WWE yes?

Undisputed Era — They haven't been around all that long but they have become one of the best things going in wrestling today. If nothing else, it's nice to see the smaller guys as a dominant force like this. It isn't likely to work outside of NXT, but it certainly works there.

Beer Money — What is there to say here? They're incredible.

<u>Usos</u>

I love these guys. There's something about a team of actual brothers, especially twins, that you can't beat and that's what you have here. It took them some time to get going and find their rhythm but once they got it rolling, they became one of the best tag teams in recent years and are on the list of best WWE tag teams ever. Their feud with New Day was an instant classic as those teams had some outstanding chemistry.

There are things these guys can do that get me every time and the dive over the top with a midair tag is at the top of the list. They make it look so effortless and it's the reason I'd put them at the top: no team should be able to make something look that smooth and yet they pull it off every single time. I'm glad they're back as I can always go for more of these two.

Young Bucks

Speaking of brothers, you have one of the most controversial teams ever. Some fans will tell you they're the best team of all time and others will tell you how they've killed tag team wrestling. I tend to fall somewhere in the middle: I don't like a lot of their stuff, but when you get down to it, these guys are athletic freaks and can do some of the best double team stuff around.

The main question is what kind of Young Bucks match are you getting. If it's the Superkick Party style, I never need to see it again as they have done it to death and there is little reason to see it again. Then there's the more Japanese style, where they're the fast team with some selling and a more down to earth psychology. That's where I can get into the Young Bucks and they're very fun to watch. Love them or hate them though, their impact cannot be denied and they have been the biggest regular tag team of the decade.

Bullet Club

Similar to the Young Bucks (appropriately enough), you have to include these guys whether you like them or not. Bullet Club became a sensation for a few years and had a lot to do with the rise of AEW. The team became absolutely huge in Japan and then came over to America to take things global. Armed with a truckload of money from the t-shirt sales, All In resulted and the rest was history (that might be a lose telling of the story but it's about 4:15 in the morning).

The Bullet Club took a group of wrestlers who were stars in the first place and turned them into superstars, showing that it could be done outside of WWE. That was their big selling card and it worked out very well. This is the beginning of the AEW roster and that is the kind of long term meaning that takes this kind of team to the next level. I wasn't a fan, but I became one of what they became, which is why they warrant a big spot.

<u>Shield</u>

You knew it would be one of these two. Shield debuted just over seven years ago and even though one of the members is gone, it has been very rare to see one of those members not on top of the company (or at least near the top) since their debut. This isn't your normal trio and there are very few teams who have ever come close (thinking about it, they really are one of the best ever).

The moment that sums them up as much as anything else is the night of Money in the Bank 2016. On one night, all three of its members were World Champion. Ignoring how having two title changes in about a minute and a half might not be the best idea, that is the kind of accomplishment that is never going to be topped and makes Shield legends in their own time.

Yeah you know who wins.

<u>New Day</u>

This was always going to be all either New Day or Shield but there were two reasons why I went with New Day and both of them tie together. The first reason is pure longevity, as we are coming up on six years of them being together and there is little sign of them slowing down. They're still funny, they still move merchandise and they're still successful. Why in the world would you break them up at this point?

The bigger reason though is how they got here. When the Shield debuted, they were instantly in the main event. They were brought in to be a success and that's what they did. New Day was seemingly thrown together due to a lack of anything better to do with them (If you need proof of how nothing they were at first, their initial name was Speed Force.). They just kept going though and turned into the team they are today. That's the proof that tyou have something that works and they have been doing it for a long time now. I'm not sure how much longer they can go, but how long have we been saying that now?

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