# Best Of 2020: Moment Of The Year (Last Award)

We're (finally) wrap it up with a pretty important one because this is what people remember most. It might not be a whole match or a promo, but it's just something that felt important, which you don't get very often. The good ones are remembered for a long time to come though and that's what we're going with today, making it a nice way to end these things. Let's get to it.

As usual, in no particular order until the winner at the end.

Note that I'm intentionally leaving off the Brodie Lee Tribute Show. As great as it was, there's something that doesn't feel right about calling anything associated with it a positive (if that makes sense).

# Roman Reigns Is A Paul Heyman Guy

You can argue this being both the angle, surprise and moment of the year because that's not the kind of thing you expect to see coming. Reigns has been the mega clean face for so long now and now he's with Heyman? It's in the "What are you doing with him Andre?" vein and that is some pretty special praise. Then he wound up being the best heel in recent years, but it all started with this moment.

# Brodie Lee Squashes Cody

This is one of the my favorite styles of booking in all of wrestling as AEW completely shifted gears. They almost never do a squash and to do it against one of the biggest stars the company has took a lot of people by surprise. It felt like Lee was FINALLY being given a push that didn't involve a Vince McMahon parody and I could totally go for that. Then the rematch was awesome too and this set a lot of the stage for

that greatness.

### Sasha Banks Beats Bayley

There is something great about setting up a match that far in advance and then finally going somewhere with it. Banks vs. Bayley had been built up for years in NXT and WWE and we were actually getting to the big blowoff once and for all. While a lot of this is because it came at the end of a great story, a lot of it is because they had a heck of a fight that was worthy of the Cell. It felt like Banks accomplished something and that isn't a feeling you get very often.

### Le Dinner Debonair

Your tastes may vary on this one but it takes a lot to make my jaw drop in wrestling. The stuff with the two of them messing with the waitress was good enough but then they started singing and had wrestling lyrics to a song and dance routine. It isn't going to please a lot of people (and believe me I get that), but WOW this was a spectacle and you don't get those very often (at least not in a positive way).

## **Edge Returns**

If you have followed me for a bit, you know that one of my favorite things is to be wrong about saying never. After nearly nine years out of the ring, it would have been very easy to believe that Edge would never wrestle again (I'm not sure if anyone other than him believed he would.) so hearing Alter Bridge in the Royal Rumble was the kind of moment that made my head snap around. I'd say that warrants a mention.

I'm going with the personal favorite here and I can't help but smile.

# <u>Drew McIntyre Wins The WWE Title</u>

I've been a big McIntyre fan from the time he was in Impact to the time I had a rather nice chat with him at WrestleCon and

then saw him debut in NXT the next night. It is pretty rare for me to actively cheer for someone to win but as soon as he eliminated Brock Lesnar from the Royal Rumble, I knew what I wanted to see closing Wrestlemania. It's a shame that he didn't get to do it in front of 70,000 people, but what a moment it was and I got to smile at wrestling at a time when a lot of us needed to. That's the Moment of the Year.

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