

Main Event – February 11, 2021: The Short Form Dull

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Location: Tropicana Field, St. Petersburg, Florida

Commentators: Tom Phillips, Samoa Joe

We're on the way to the Elimination Chamber and I'm not sure what that is going to mean around here. Main Event continues to be almost always the same thing over and over again, which gets to be rather annoying around here. Hopefully we can get something a little better this week so let's get to it.

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

Opening sequence.

Dana Brooke vs. Peyton Royce

Mandy Rose is here with Dana. Peyton takes her down with a headlock, which is quickly countered into an exchange of rollups for two each. A few kicks put Brooke down and a middle rope stomp to the arm gives Royce two. Royce grabs a Fujiwara armbar but Dana sends her into the corner and hits a cartwheel moonsault for two. A suplex out of the corner puts Royce down again and there's a bulldog into a swinging neckbreaker for the pin at 5:38.

Rating: D+. I can go with Brooke getting ring time to improve because you really can see the progress that she has made. She might not be the best worker in the world, but she is miles better than what she was before. You can see the confidence in her and that is a great sign for the work she has put in over the months and years.

We look at Edge and Bianca Belair winning the Royal Rumbles.

From Smackdown.

Here's Edge for the big closing segment. Edge talks about how he spent the last seven months dreaming. He was dreaming every mile he logged because he wanted to get back something that was his. Then he outlasted twenty nine of the best in the world today to win the Royal Rumble. Now he isn't sure who he should face at the Royal Rumble. He asks his family and gets one answer, then he asks his friend and gets another answer. Then he was on his way here tonight and asked someone on the corner and got another answer. Edge: "His name was John. He was a nice guy."

Cue Roman Reigns and company to cut things off though as we get a bit more serious. Edge thinks it's funny that Reigns already needs backup, but Reigns promises that Paul won't make a move. Reigns sends Jey to the bus because he has this himself. Edge has one chance to acknowledge him as the main event of Wrestlemania...but here's Kevin Owens with a Stunner to Reigns before Edge can say a word to end the show. I don't think anyone was really expecting a decision from Edge here and they still have time to set things up in the future, but we're really not done with Owens vs. Reigns?

From Raw.

Here are Ric Flair and Lacey Evans for a face to face meeting with Charlotte. Before Charlotte comes to the ring, Ric (whose face looks rather weird for some reason) rants about how he never takes orders from a woman, including Charlotte. He isn't staying home though and now he needs someone to be exactly what he's looking for. That means a woman who has the looks and athletic ability, but just needs a little guidance and wisdom.

Lacey says people don't get what is going on between them and says she respects Flair, unlike Charlotte. Lacey would never talk to her father like that but she's the bad one in all of this? Cue Charlotte to say if Lacey wanted to get better, she should have trained in the Performance Center. Instead though, she's trying to use Ric and Charlotte to become a star.

Charlotte has been trying to protect Ric's legacy for seven years because she sees him for how he really looks. She doesn't mind Lacey being a star but they aren't taking her down. Ric suggests they be a tag team but Charlotte says she already has a partner in Asuka. Lacey says if she beats Charlotte, she's the new #1 contender. Charlotte says let's do this now so Lacey knocks her to the floor. A whip into the steps has Charlotte in trouble and we take a break.

After we see Miz and John Morrison telling Angel Garza that they'll take care of Bad Bunny, we're ready to go.

Lacey Evans vs. Charlotte

Charlotte is sent to the apron to start and slingshots back in with a rollup for two. A dropkick puts Lacey on the apron for some coaching from Ric and she trips Charlotte down. The slingshot elbow gets two on Charlotte and it's time to start working on the arm. Charlotte's good arm clotheslines Lacey down but it's way too early for the Figure Eight. More arm cranking has Charlotte in some more trouble but she nips up and gets in Lacey's face a few times in a row.

Charlotte sends her outside though and hits the strut but Flair puts himself between them to break up a dive. Lacey gets in another trip to send Charlotte into the apron and we take a break. Back with Lacey working on the arm some more with both the cranking and a hammerlock (because she is smart enough to mix up the arm work). A big crank on the arm gets two but the double springboard moonsault hits raised knees, banging up Lacey's knee in the process.

Charlotte chops her down and then into the corner, where they completely mistime something, with Charlotte charging at her, stopping, and then getting slapped. Charlotte kicks her to the floor but yells at Flair, allowing Lacey to get in another arm twist to take over again. Back in and Charlotte hits the spear, yells at Flair, and unloads in the corner. Charlotte

shoves the referee away and that's a DQ at 10:33.

Rating: C. Lacey's timing wasn't great here, which probably has something to do with her not exactly wrestling all that often as of late. At the same time, of course this is all about Charlotte vs. Ric, because why would it be used to focus on anyone but them? There was nothing here to suggest that Lacey was going to get a big rub out of the whole thing and that doesn't exactly bode well for the future.

Post match Flair breaks it up and gets in Charlotte's face. Charlotte says this is all hers and glares at Ric before leaving.

Video on Seth Rollins.

Ricochet vs. Humberto Carrillo

They go with the grappling to start with Ricochet shouldering him down for an early one. It's off to the mat for a bit before Ricochet snaps off a headlock takeover. That's broken up and Carrillo snaps off a headscissors into a standoff. We take a break and come back with Ricochet getting two off a crucifix, followed with an elbow drop for two.

Back up and they both hit running headbutts for a double knockdown. They trade shots again and a double kick to the head puts both of them down. Carrillo is back up with a torture rack faceplant for two but the moonsault misses. An ax kick into a spinning brainbuster gives Ricochet two more. The Recoil finishes Carrillo at 11:22.

Rating: C+. This was fun but not quite up to some of Ricochet's Main Event stuff. They went with a bit too much flipping and gymnastics stuff. I'm not big on having people doing the same stuff to each other at the same time and it didn't exactly work here. Not bad by any means, but it felt rehearsed and that isn't a good thing.

Video on Elimination Chamber.

From Raw.

Randy Orton vs. Drew McIntyre

Non-title. Neither can hit one of their finishers to start so Drew catches him on the apron. The hanging DDT is loaded up but here's Sheamus for a distraction as McIntyre is sent hard into the posts. We take a break and come back with Orton stomping away in the corner and sending McIntyre outside. McIntyre gets dropped back first onto the announcers' table, much to Sheamus' desire. The chinlock goes on back inside but Drew powers out in a hurry.

Drew gets in a few shots of his own, glares at Sheamus, and snaps off the release belly to belly. McIntyre busts out a superplex but can't hit the Claymore. Instead it's the Glasgow Kiss but Orton is right back with the hanging DDT. The RKO is loaded up and quickly countered into the Future Shock. The Claymore is loaded up but here's Sheamus to try the Brogue Kick, which hits Orton by mistake for the DQ at 12:14.

Rating: C+. They weren't trying to blow the roof off or anything here and what we got worked fine. It helps when you have two people this good doing their thing for a little while with a history behind them. This worked as a main event and the ending gives us a story not involving McIntyre as we head into the Chamber. Not too bad for a match that was done to death last year.

Post match, Drew immediately Claymores Sheamus to end the show.

Overall Rating: C. I'm never sure what to think about this show and that was the case again this week. It's just a show that came and went and no amount of highlights and recaps from lackluster TV shows is going to make that work. The wrestling was fine and then the highlights were about the same. Nothing to see here, and that's the case almost all of the time.

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