

Dynamite – May 19, 2021: The Moving Day Show

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We have two shows left before Double Or Nothing and that means it is time to start hammering home the card. This time around we have a Tag Team Title match with the Varsity Blonds challenging the Young Bucks. Other than that, we are likely getting some more matches set for the pay per view. Let's get to it.

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

Opening sequence.

Christian Cage vs. Matt Sydal

Taz is on commentary and it's a feeling out process to start, with Sydal's grab of a leg being reversed into a headlock. Sydal slips out for a standoff but gets sent outside for a crash. Back in and a backbreaker sets up a top rope elbow to the face for two on Sydal. There's a headbutt to the back and a stomp to make it worse, as Christian is wrestling a bit more villainish here.

Another backbreaker is countered with a headscissors though and Sydal's jumping spinning kick to the face gives him a breather. The Meteora gives Sydal two and there's a clothesline for the same. Christian misses a charge and gets taken down with a spinwheel kick to the face, followed by a running knee in the corner. Christian's spear is countered into a sunset flip for two and he misses a high crossbody as well. Now the spear can connect for two but Sydal pulls the

knee out. A backslash hits knees though and the Killswitch finishes Sydal at 9:15.

Rating: C+. I'm not a big Sydal fan but he was making it work here with Christian looking better than he has so far in AEW. I'm curious to see him being more aggressive, as it certainly seemed to suit him better. Christian still isn't the star he was before, but he can still do things like this well enough.

Post match Taz yells at Christian but here is Ricky Starks to interrupt. Starks is his own man and he is right here. He isn't going to be on the sidelines like these flunkies, so he and Christian have some business to handle. Cue Team Taz to jump Christian and Sydal for the beatdown. Hangman Page comes in to go after Cage, but Hook gets in a chop block. Cage powerbombs Page down hard.

Here's what's coming tonight.

The Varsity Blonds talk about Brian Pillman, who was not Brian Pillman Jr.'s inspiration to get into the business. All he knew was the dark side of the ring, but then he was inspired by the Young Bucks. Griff Garrison talks about running the Young Bucks' merchandise table at an independent show, but the Bucks of today are not the Bucks of those days.

Jon Moxley and Eddie Kingston aren't sure about what they're facing with the Acclaimed (Kingston: "One's a rapper, the other is the rapper's friend."). They also don't get why they're going to a superkick party when neither of them throw superkicks. Oh well. They'll just beat up the Acclaimed.

The Acclaimed promises to stomp Moxley and Kingston's a**** and that is a mic drop.

Jon Moxley/Eddie Kingston vs. Acclaimed

Moxley and Kingston come out to the Major League version of Wild Thing, because AEW thinks Cleveland and Cincinnati are

close enough. Caster says that Kingston looks like a pack of Newports and Moxley's wife is trying to get him for an oral session (Caster: "What? She just wants me to be on the podcast!"). Moxley knocks Caster silly with a right hand and we start with a double shoulder to put Caster down again.

Kingston plants with an STO but gets caught with a super dragon screw legwhip as we take a break. Back with Kingston getting over for the hot tag to Moxley to clean house, but he gets caught in a suplex/high crossbody combination. Kingston makes the save and sends Bowens into the barricade but Moxley gets sent outside as well. Caster throws Bowens the chain for a distraction so he can bring in the boom box. Moxley breaks that up though and hits Caster with the boom box instead, setting up a wheelbarrow into a Paradigm Shift for the pin at 10:25.

Rating: C. This was a way to get Moxley and Kingston a win over a name team before they get their title shot. There is nothing wrong with building a team up, even if the Acclaimed is better known for their talking. Moxley and Kingston are turning into a pretty good team in the ring and their showdown with the Bucks very well could steal Double Or Nothing.

Chris Jericho and Dean Malenko reminisce about the number of holds they know.

Scorpio Sky and Ethan Page are in the ring to talk about Sting. Sky always wanted to be like Sting, but then he grew up and is now a grown man. Sting isn't the man he used to be and now Sky is his own man. Page talks about Darby Allin loses and promises to be the nail in his coffin. Cue Sting and Allin to clean house, including Allin with some skateboard shots. The Scorpion Deathlock goes on but Page gets away, only to have the Dark Order cut off...well some of their exits at least.

The Pinnacle is at a nice dinner with MJF talking about how unfunny Chris Jericho is. Dax Wilder goes on a rant about how

they have to deal with Jericho even after thirty years. Last year's Stadium Stampede was a dog and pony show but this year it's going to be serious. Shawn Spears attacks a waiter for making a mistake and smashes a bottle, so Tully Blanchard throws him some money. MJF says if the Inner Circle agrees to Stadium Stampede, it will be their last match, because when you're in the Pinnacle, you're always on top.

Hikaru Shida vs. Rebel

Non-title and Britt Baker is here as well. Rebel fakes an early injury but then snaps off some jumping jacks. Shida doesn't take kindly to her dancing and puts on her own glove before trying the Lockjaw. Baker grabs the Women's Title, allowing Rebel to hit Shida in the back with a crutch. A toss suplex gets two on Shida but she is right back with a knee breaker. The Stretch Muffler makes Rebel tap at 2:01.

Post match Baker comes in and drops Shida onto the belt.

Last week, Kenny Omega and Don Callis came in to see Orange Cassidy in the trainer's room after he got dropped on his head. They need Cassidy to be the AEW mascot instead of challenging him for the title, so they have a contract for him to sign, saying that he can have his match later when he is a little healthier. Cassidy doesn't even look at it and rips it up (rather slowly). Omega talks about how bad it could be if Cassidy takes the One Winged Angel and they offer him another copy of the same deal, which he can think about.

Here is the Inner Circle to respond to the Pinnacle. Ortiz promises violence and Sammy Guevara says this is never over, no matter what he ever does. He promises to douse the Pinnacle in a Little Bit Of The Bubbly and make them flop around like fish if he has to, but they have to have this match. Jake Hager is in too, which just leaves Jericho's opinion. Jericho talks about being done with Blood & Guts and how they left a piece of their souls.

They aren't sure if it's worth it, but Jericho can't stop thinking about MJF looking down at him as he came crashing down. MJF scared his family and his children, and he will never forget it. So was it worth it? Of course it was, because it has given him the fire to end MJF once and for all. Stadium Stampede is on and if the Pinnacle wants to beat him, they'll have to kill him and they are still alive. So yeah, the match is on, and Pinnacle is going down. Very fired up promo here from Jericho, assuming he can back it up in the match.

Jade Cargill is asked about her decision on a manager but MJF's former agent comes up to say he wants to work for her instead of vice versa. Why is Cargill getting an interview with Schiavone instead of a sitdown with JR? Cargill tells him to leave and gets what she wants.

NWA Women's Title: Red Velvet vs. Serena Deeb

Deeb is defending and hammers away to start, including some uppercuts. A fisherman's neckbreaker gives Deeb two and she stomps away in the corner. Velvet is right back with a dragon screw legwhip though and we take a break. Back with Velvet hitting a high crossbody for two, followed by a standing moonsault for the same. Velvet shoves her off the apron to break up a neckbreaker attempt, setting up a moonsault to drop Deeb again.

Back in and Just Desserts misses but Velvet counters a sunset flip into a cradle for two more. Serena powerbombs the heck out of her for two and we hit the Serenity Lock. Velvet can't get to the rope but doesn't tap, meaning Deeb lets go and tries a Figure Four. That's reversed into a small package for two so it's back to the Serenity Lock, with Deeb driving the knee into the mat a few times to make Velvet tap at 9:36.

Rating: B-. Probably Velvet's best match to date and that is a good thing to see. She looked smoother in here than usual and I bought her as having a chance to pull it off in here at

times. Granted some of that might be due to being in there with Deeb, who can work with just about anyone.

Pac is glad to have his title shot because there is nothing Don Callis or Kenny Omega can do about it. Who is betting against him now?

Anthony Ogogo vs. Austin Gunn

A bunch of people, including an American flag clad Cody Rhodes, is here. Gunn dropkicks him down at the bell and Ogogo is starting to protect his bad eye. A gut shot puts Austin down and he is in big trouble. Back up and Ogogo does it again, meaning Gunn has to stop the referee from calling for the bell. Gunn is bleeding from the mouth and a pop up right hand knocks him silly for the knockout at 2:15. More baby steps for Ogogo and that's a wise way to go.

Post match Ogogo grabs Cody's American flag and throws it away, which is too far for Cody.

Christopher Daniels won't say anything about SCU splitting up last week. Daniels whispers something to Kazarian and walks away. Kazarian says he can't explain what Daniels means to him, but Kazarian knows what is next. Last week, he lost something very important to him and he blames the Elite for what happened. He is hunting them down and he is a bomb you cannot defuse and a gun you cannot unload. Kazarian as a singles star is an intriguing way to go.

Here is Miro for a chat. He thanks Jesus Christ for giving him the talent to hurt people, like he did to Darby Allin last week. Miro took what Allin said could not be taken and now everyone knows that it doesn't matter who you are. If you have what he wants, it's done. The fans want Allin, so Miro holds up the title and says here he is. Next week, he'll be defending the title against someone and will destroy him on his way to Double Or Nothing.

Cue Lance Archer, who says he has been the beast of AEW since Miro was trying to get a day to himself. Last year he lost in the first ever TNT Title match, so nothing is stopping him from winning at Double Or Nothing. Miro is going to be his Bulgarian b****, which Miro says he has never heard before. As Archer has said, everyone dies, but Miro is going to make sure Archer dies first. Miro was showing the fire here like he has yet to do in AEW.

Here's what's coming next week, with Dante Martin getting the TNT Title shot. We are also getting a celebration of the Inner Circle's greatest moments, plus Jade Cargill's open challenge (Since EVERY SHOW NEEDS AN OPEN CHALLENGE THESE DAYS!).

At Double Or Nothing: Sting/Darby Allin vs. Ethan Page/Scorpio Sky.

Tag Team Titles: Young Bucks vs. Varsity Blonds

The Bucks are defending, Julia Hart is here with the Blonds and Don Callis is on commentary. Garrison and Nick run the ropes until a boot to the face drops Nick in a hurry. Matt comes in and gets one of his own, allowing Pillman to come in for some stereo dropkicks to the champs. We settle back down to Pillman armdragging Nick and working on the arm but Nick gets over for the hot tag to Matt.

That means Pillman gets sent outside for a crash onto the ramp, leaving Nick to walk the ropes and jump down onto him. A neck snap across the top rope has Pillman down again and we take a break. Back with Pillman hitting a crossbody and getting over for the hot tag to Garrison. House is cleaned in a hurry and Garrison hits a slingshot crossbody onto both champs. It's back to Pillman, who gets suplexed down so Nick can dive onto Garrison.

Some kicks to the back keep Pillman in trouble but he sends Nick's kick into Matt and hits a superkick of his own. Matt is right back with the Sharpshooter and Nick adds the cold spray

to the eyes. Garrison makes the save but Nick hits a couple of superkicks. Matt gets another can of spray but Hart calls him out for it. That's fine with Matt, who has a third can to spray her as well. The Sharpshooter goes on and Nick adds the slingshot X Factor to knock Pillman silly. Pillman taps at 11:55.

Rating: B-. I like the Blonds more each time I see them but there was never a bit of drama here. As usual, this was the Young Bucks Show as they are smarter than anyone they face, which goes along with being more athletic because we need to be reminded of how great they are every chance we have.

Post match here are Jon Moxley and Eddie Kingston to choke out the Bucks and steal their expensive shoes. And the socks too!

We run down the Double Or Nothing card, with Tony making it clear that Sting/Allin vs. Page/Sky will NOT be a cinematic match. Also, Moxley/Kingston are now the #1 contenders and get their title shot.

Overall Rating: B. This was a promo heavy show and that's what mattered most here. Since this is the last regularly scheduled Dynamite before the pay per view, they had to rush the build this week and get things ready for Double Or Nothing. That worked out rather well as I'm a good bit more interested in seeing the show than I was coming in. The wrestling here was good to quite good, but this was all about the talking and they were feeling it this week.

Results

Christian Cage b. Matt Sydal – Killswitch

Jon Moxley/Eddie Kingston b. The Acclaimed – Wheelbarrow Paradigm Shift to Caster

Hikaru Shida b. Rebel – Stretch Muffler

Serena Deeb b. Red Velvet – Serenity Lock

Anthony Ogogo b. Austin Gunn via referee stoppage

Young Bucks b. Varsity Blonds – Sharpshooter to Pillman

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