

Ring of Honor TV – June 2, 2021: It's Right In The Name

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It's time to start getting ready for Best In The World and that means we need to put a few matches together. Granted Ring of Honor likes to take its time setting these up so you never know how the build is going to go. Hopefully they at least have something good on this show, as Ring of Honor can be all over the place. Let's get to it.

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

We open with a recap of the Foundation retaining the Tag Team Titles over OGK last week.

Quinn McKay talks to the Foundation, who know that was a heck of a fight. It was great, but it wasn't pure. Therefore, every title defense from now on will be under Pure Rules.

McKay welcomes us to the show and runs down the card.

LSG vs. Joe Keys

The winner gets to pick if they want to be ranked in the TV or Pure Rules division. During the entrances, Keys talks about working through the dojo to get here and LSG talks about how he is tired of hearing about the future when he is the present. They go with the grappling to start with neither being able to go anywhere. LSG goes up for a springboard but dives into a backslide for two in a pretty cool counter.

Things reset a bit and Keys' chop in the corner seems to annoy

LSG a bit. A running forearm connects with Keys in the corner but he comes back with a tilt-a-whirl backbreaker as we take a break. Back with Keys cranking on the arms with a boot on LSG's neck. LSG tries to roll up but gets caught in a German suplex for two.

Back up and LSG hits a springboard spinning forearm for a breather, followed by a neckbreaker for two of his own. The cravate stays on Keys' neck and Rocket Bye Baby puts him down again. The Muta Lock goes on but Keys slips the hands off and grabs the rope. Keys manages to roll through a suplex for a double knockdown. They both get back up with Keys trying a rollup, only to get reversed into a cradle to give LSG the pin at 12:21.

Rating: C. This was a nice enough technical exchange and that's what they needed to do. What matters here is having someone new getting a chance because the company can always use some fresh blood. LSG has been around for a long time now and it should be nice to see what he can do higher up the card. The match wasn't anything great but the future is what matters here.

Post break LSG picks the Pure division.

We look at Silas Young turning on Josh Woods at the 19th Anniversary Show. Young talked about how it would be the last time Woods embarrassed him, because Young was teaching him to be a real man.

Then two weeks ago, Young cheated to beat Woods.

Young does not like the suggestion that he cheated but Woods came up to say not so fast. A Pure Rules match was made (they REALLY like those around here).

Survival of the Fittest is back next week.

Violence Unlimited is ready to destroy the Foundation because

violence has honor.

The Foundation knows that Violence Unlimited is in over their heads in a wrestling match because they can't cut it.

Violence Unlimited vs. Foundation

That would be Chris Dickinson/Homicide/Tony Deppen/Brody King vs. Jay Lethal/Tracy Williams/Rhett Titus/Silas Young. Kenny King is on commentary and we actually get some handshakes to start. Williams jumps Deppen to start and the beatdown is on in the corner. It's too early for the piledriver though as Homicide makes the save, meaning it's a quick history lesson on the CZW feud (from WAY back in the day).

It's off to Dickinson vs. Lethal and we take a break. Back (after seemingly nothing changed) with Dickinson shoving Lethal down, followed by an exchange of chops. Lethal manages a quick dropkick to the floor but it's too early for the suicide dive. Homicide gets in a cheap shot though and everyone comes in to glare at each other without actually fighting. We settle down to Homicide vs. Young, which is quite the battle of the generations.

Homicide sends him into the corner and hammers away but Titus comes in off a blind tag. A slam sends Homicide bailing to the floor but he comes back inside so the Foundation can take turns working him over. We take a break and come back with King coming in to blast the much smaller Gresham with a clothesline. The neck crank goes on for a bit before Unlimited gets a chance to take their own turns. Gresham shoves off Homicide's tornado DDT attempt and it's off to King vs. Titus.

Everything breaks down with Titus getting to clean house, including blocking Deppen's tornado DDT. A top rope knee to the back gets two on King and we take another break. Back again with Williams and Lethal picking King up for a double fireman's carry, with Titus adding a dropkick. The rest of Unlimited comes in for the save and Homicide hits a running

flip dive to take out Gresham and Williams. Lethal kicks away at King back inside but the Lethal Injection is countered into the Ganso Bomb for the pin at 19:17.

Rating: B. This got some time and the ending made it even better, as the Ganso Bomb is one of the more devastating (as well as scary) looking finishers today. I can go with the idea of King getting a nice win and the new stable is getting a little momentum. The name still isn't great, but at least you can get the idea right without having things be more confusing than they need to be.

Unlimited talks a lot of trash as Lethal is carried out.

One more Survival of the Fittest video wraps things up.

Overall Rating: C+. Another good show here as Ring of Honor manages to put things together and then make them work. That is where this show has been rather good in recent weeks as they don't try to do anything ridiculous. I can go with the idea of setting up something simple and then making it work, which is what has worked well for Ring of Honor as of late. Nice stuff here, with a rather strong main event.

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