

ECW On Sci Fi – July 31, 2007: Give Me A Second

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The CM Punk vs. John Morrison feud seems to be continuing and Punk might have a new path to get back to the title. Last week Morrison introduced the 15 Minutes Of Fame, where you can get a title shot for surviving against him in a fifteen minute match. That could go in a few different ways so let's get to it.

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

Opening sequence, with Let The Bodies Hit The Floor back as the theme song.

Here is John Morrison for an opening chat. He is our portal to the infinite and the new face of extreme. Join him in the Palace of Wisdom or continue to be slaves to society. He is a fighting champion, so tonight it is a new 15 Minutes Of Fame Challenge against one of the greatest athletes in Arizona. We hear about some Arizona athletes, none of whom were up to Morrison's standards. Instead, we have this challenger.

John Morrison vs. Joey Blaylock

Non-title and Morrison knees him down, setting up the corkscrew neckbreaker for the pin in less than thirty seconds. As he has been in the past, Blaylock would become better known as Joey Ryan.

Post match Morrison says that wasn't much of a challenge so he wants another opponent. Cue Tommy Dreamer, to say he has been

around longer than fifteen minutes and wants a shot of his own. Cue Elijah Burke to say Dreamer is prehistoric and fifteen years past his time. Someone like him deserves the shot, but here is CM Punk to interrupt as well. If Morrison is that confident, let's do it one more time, and if Punk loses, he'll never challenge again. Morrison turns them all down, because that was a grueling match. Instead, do the triple threat thing, with the winner getting a 15 Minutes Of Fame challenge next week.

Stevie Richards vs. Kevin Thorn

Rematch from last week where Richards won in an upset. Thorn powers him into the corner to start and stomps away before tying Richards in the ropes. The neck crank doesn't last long so we go with the reverse chinlock to keep Richards in trouble. There's a torture rack to stay on the back and Thorn drops to his knees for a backbreaker and a near fall. Back up and Thorn misses a charge into the post, setting up a rollup to give Richards the fluke pin.

Rating: C-. Again, giving someone some wins is the perfect way to build them up. It really is that simple a lot of the time but for some reason it is turned into something far too complicated. Richards was a joke and suddenly looks like a little something just by winning two matches. Odds are it doesn't lead anywhere, but at least they're making a bit of an effort.

Video on Big Daddy V.

Video on CM Punk.

Big Daddy V vs. Jeff Michaels/Brandon Gaston/John Armstrong

Everyone goes after V at the same time so Michaels is gorilla pressed onto Armstrong. The beating is on in a hurry and it's a triple splash in the corner. A swinging Boss Man Slam drives Gaston onto the other two for the triple pin. Almost a literal

squash.

Post match the Boogeyman returns (now with new face paint) and V bails.

Extreme Expose dances, followed by Layla introducing Miz.

Miz vs. Balls Mahoney

Miz sends him to the apron to start and a drop toehold sends Mahoney face first into the middle buckle. Mahoney fights back with an uppercut and spinebuster for two with Miz putting his foot on the rope. Back up and Mahoney misses a charge into the corner, allowing Miz to hit the Reality Check for the fast pin.

Video on Tommy Dreamer.

Elijah Burke says that was a nice video but he'll just tell you what's about to happen because his highlight video would go on a lot longer. He's going to win tonight.

HHH is back at Summerslam.

Tommy Dreamer vs. CM Punk vs. Elijah Burke

The winner gets a 15 Minutes of Fame match against John Morrison next week. Joined in progress after a break with Punk getting kicked to the floor, leaving Dreamer to send Burke face first into the buckle. Punk is back in so Dreamer neckbreakers him down for an early two. Burke sends Dreamer outside and pounds on Punk, setting up the chinlock. That's broken up and Punk kicks Burke in the face for two of his own, only to get backdropped over the top (and partially onto the steps).

The fans want tables but have to settle for Burke Russian legsweeping Dreamer for two. Burke's handstand elbow out of the corner gets the same, with Punk making the save this time. Punk sends Dreamer outside as well and hits the double suicide

dive for the big crash. They all get back in with Dreamer belly to back suplexing Punk for two, with Burke making a save of his own.

Burke stomps on both of them until Dreamer pulls him into a Texas Cloverleaf. Punk breaks that up with a hard kick to the back of Dreamer's head, setting up a butterfly backbreaker for two on Burke. Dreamer takes Burke up top but it gets turned into the Tower of Doom to put everyone down. Back up and Punk sends Dreamer outside, setting up the GTS to finish Burke.

Rating: C+. I can't believe I'm saying this, but Dreamer was a nice addition to the match as it gave you a possible second option. No one would have bought Burke having a chance one on one against Punk but there was a tiny chance that Dreamer could have pulled it off. Punk is the way to go though, and now he has a chance to earn another title shot, but it needs to be his last one.

Overall Rating: C. As has been the case for a long time, the World Title is the only thing that feels like it matters around here. They did set up Boogeyman vs. Big Daddy V, but that can't go longer than one match. Richards is interesting to a point, though I can't imagine he is anything more than a light meal for a bigger star. A second story would do a lot of good around here, and that is more than building someone up for a one sided feud.

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