

NXT LVL Up – September 23, 2022: Back To It

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The low level roller coaster continues with this show as I'm not sure what to expect. There have been some minor stories to set up some matches, plus a few appearances from bigger names. Then again, given this show's track record, all of that will be dropped as soon as possible. Let's get to it.

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

Opening sequence.

Dante Chen vs. Bryson Montana

The rather strong Montana runs him over to start so Chen grabs a headlock and hopes for the best. Some takeovers give Chen some momentum and there's a dropkick to stagger Montana. That's about it for the offense though as Montana runs him over and hammers away on the mat. A Michinoku Driver gives Montana two and we hit the bearhug. Chen fights out and hits a clothesline, followed by a boot to the face. The double chop finishes Montana at 5:42.

Rating: C-. I still have no idea what they see in Chen but he keeps sticking around here and keeps getting wins. Chen is completely average in the ring and does nothing that makes me want to see whatever he is doing next. Montana might not be much, but at least he has a good look, which puts him ahead of Chen.

Myles Borne, with a VERY mumbly voice, is ready for Andre

Chase. Don't let him talk again.

Indi Hartwell vs. Valentina Feroz

They fight over wrist control to start until Hartwell powers her down to the ground. Back up and Feroz grabs a sunset flip into a headlock but Hartwell slips out without much trouble and grabs a nerve hold. A suplex sets up a double arm crank on Feroz, who powers up and hits a crossbody. That's too far for Hartwell, who hits a spinebuster for the pin at 4:34.

Rating: D+. Hartwell has fallen so far in the last few months and it is kind of sad to see. She is a talented wrestler but there is only so much room for her without anything to do. The Dexter Lumis stuff going away more or less took her legs out and I don't see that getting better anytime soon, especially with a not so great match like this one.

Andre Chase vs. Myles Borne

Borne wrestles him to the mat to start but Chase slips out for a standoff. Chase takes him down by the arm and cranks on a hammerlock. Back up and Borne hits a dropkick before taking him down by the arm as well. With that broken up, Chase hits the spelling stomps and a high crossbody finishes for Chase at 5:36.

Rating: C. Borne is someone who can do some nice things on the mat, but there is nothing more to him than amateur style. That is going to get your foot in the door, but you need something better than that to make an impact. I haven't seen that from him yet and until that changed, he isn't going much further than this. On the other hand you have Chase, who could break through to the next level but I'm almost scared to see him try.

Post match Chase shakes Borne's hand, which might be a bit of recruiting.

Overall Rating: C. Yep, so much for anything having staying power around here, but at least they did keep the interviews between the first and second match. It isn't much, but it does add the slightest bit of flavor to what we're seeing here. LVL Up is still little more than a warmup show for the real NXT broadcast, and that doesn't exactly make for a great show. Until that changes, it's going to be little more than filler programming and that isn't overly interesting

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