NXT LVL Up – September 27, 2024: What A Finish

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It's the last show before the move over the CW and there is a chance that we could be seeing something change around here as well. Granted it's hard to know what you're going to be seeing change on this show as things tend to be about as basic as you can get around here. Let's get to it.

<u>Here are last week's results if you need a recap.</u>

Opening sequence.

Tyrike Igwe/Tyson DuPont vs. Uriah Connors/Kale Dixon

Igwe and Connors start things off and run the ropes until Dixon tags himself in for a cheap shot. A double shoulder drops Dixon but he's right back up to take DuPont into the wrong corner. The chinlock doesn't last long as DuPont fights up and runs Connors over, allowing the tag back to Igwe. House is cleaned in a hurry and the Heartstopper finishes Dixon at 5:20.

Rating: C. There wasn't much to see here as Igwe and DuPont are at last a regular team but they haven't done much of anything in months now. I do like that they're at least trying to put together some teams to see where they're going as it isn't like they've done anything else lately. Now if only the matches could actually be better.

Sol Ruca and Dani Palmer are put in a match against each other by the rather excited Mr. Stone and Stevie Turner.

Jasper Troy vs. Stacks

The much bigger Troy powers him into the corner to start but Stacks pulls it down into an early chinlock. That's broken up and Troy pounds him down with some elbows and a running splash in the corner. Stacks' sleeper is countered into a swinging slam and we hit the chinlock. Troy switches to an Argentinean backbreaker but Stacks slips out and dropkicks him into the corner. One heck of a cannonball gets two but Troy chases him outside, where Stacks drops his brass knuckles. The referee takes them from Troy, allowing Cement Shoes to connect for the pin on Troy at 5:42.

Rating: C. This felt like more of a focus on Troy and that makes sense. He has the size and movement to be a little something if given the experience. If nothing else, there's something to him as a bodyguard, as he certainly has the right tools. It's way too early to make that happen, but at least the potential is there.

Even Stacks seems to know he escaped there.

Kale Dixon and Uriah Connors say something needs to change, if nothing else for the sake of Dixon's hair.

Sol Ruca vs. Dani Palmer

Ruca takes her to the mat by the wrist to start but Palmer reverses into an armbar. Back up and Ruca flips out of an anklescissors and it's an early standoff. A test of strength results in Palmer's sunset flip attempt being blocked so Ruca grabs a seated abdominal stretch. Back up and Palmer runs her over, setting up a nice frog splash for two. Ruca tries an O'Connor roll so Palmer kicks out...sending Ruca into the ropes so she can hit the Sol Snatcher for the pin at 4:25. That finish was outstanding.

Rating: C+. The match was just ok but that finishing sequence was one of the better looking ones I've seen in a bit. Ruca

can hit that thing out of anywhere and it looks great every time. She's an athletic freak and if she can put together some more things besides that, she'll be a star in the making.

Overall Rating: C+. The awesome ending to the main event and a good showing from Troy made this a worthwhile enough show. The best thing here was that they had a bit of a variety and adding in Stone and Turner for a cameo boosted it up a bit. There are ways to make this show more interesting but for some reason they rarely happen. Spice it up on occasion and things can be more fun, like this show managed to do.

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