

Monday Night Raw – November 25, 2024: That's A Lot In One Night

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Location: Desert Diamond Arena, Glendale, Arizona

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We are less than a week away from Survivor Series and as of now, we have three matches officially set for the show. That means we are probably going to need some new matches announced, but World Heavyweight Champion Gunther defending against Damian Priest will likely get some attention of its own. Let's get to it.

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

We get a quick preview of the night.

Here is Gunther for an in-ring chat. After a look back at Damian Priest taking him out backstage last week, Gunther is asked about Priest's claims that Gunther's confidence is slipping lately. Before Gunther can reply, cue Priest to interrupt, saying it's time for Gunther to brag about how he can do anything. Priest says that he is Gunther's problem and now the problem is taking the title. What happens to the Ring General when he loses to a street guy?

Gunther hits him with the microphone and the fight is on, but they go outside where Priest takes over. The Razor's Edge sends Gunther through the announcers' table as Gunther is taken out again. They're making Priest look like a threat to Gunther and that's how the buildup needs to go.

Jade Cargill is officially out of WarGames due to her

injuries.

Bianca Belair and Naomi aren't sure who can replace Cargill. Iyo Sky suggests Kairi Sane but the two of them want Bayley. Rhea Ripley comes in to say she doesn't care, as long as they stay away from Liv Morgan. Belair isn't impressed with the "leadership" on Team Ripley.

LW0 vs. American Made

Tornado tag. Mysterio gets knocked down to start so the Creeds can take over on Lee in the corner. Back up and Mysterio helps take Julius out so a springboard moonsault can get two on Brutus. Lee and Brutus go to the corner, with Julius running the corner to superplex Lee back down. Mysterio's attempt at a 619 is cut off with a clothesline and we take an early break.

Back with Julius running Mysterio over again and hitting a 450 for two with Lee making the save. Operation Dragon gets two with Brutus making a save of his own. A double superplex is loaded up but Mysterio cuts it off with a 619 to the legs, setting up a double top rope double stomp from Lee. The referee almost gets crushed in the corner but here is Chad Gable to twist Mysterio's mask around. Julius grabs a rollup for the pin at 10:46.

Rating: C+. They were smart to have the match be all action as it plays to the LW0's strengths, though this feud hasn't played to many strengths at all. It's just kind of been there over the last few weeks and that isn't making me want to see them stay at it. The ending at least gives the Creeds a win for a change, but it's only going to get them so far.

We look at the social media impact of CM Punk and Paul Heyman returning on Smackdown.

R-Truth comes in to the Judgment Day's clubhouse and says they're not a family anymore. Finn Balor throws him out, but R-Truth says Thanksgiving is off (that was funny). With R-

Truth gone, Balor rants about the team's recent issues but they can turn it around. They don't have any leaders, but if they listen to him, it will be ok.

Bron Breaker vs. Ludwig Kaiser

Non-title. Breaker powers him into the corner and then runs Kaiser over with the clothesline. The big run around the ring to set up the spear only hitting the announcers' table though and we take a break. Back with Kaiser working on the banged up ribs with a seated abdominal stretch. Breaker fights out and hits a powerslam into the super Frankensteiner. The spear is cut off with a kick to the face though...and here is Sheamus to jump Kaiser for the DQ at 8:52.

Rating: C+. Yeah that was the most logical way to go here and you can probably pencil in a triple threat for the Intercontinental Title sooner than later. While I would rather have the title match be one on one, there is at least a story here and all three have a reason to want the match. As for this one, Kaiser continues to look good when he is given the chance, as he is better than the average lackey. Breaker on the other hand is an athletic freak, with the explosiveness on that spear looking great.

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Post break, all three have to be held apart. The triple threat for the title is confirmed for Survivor Series.

Long recap of Paul Heyman bringing back CM Punk to be the final member of Team Reigns at Survivor Series.

Sami Zayn and the Usos are in the back and they think they can trust Punk, who will sit down with Roman Reigns on Smackdown.

Tag Team Titles: War Raiders vs. Judgment Day

The Raiders are challenging and Erik runs the Judgment Day early without much trouble. The champs get knocked down again

and we take an early break. Back with Balor working on Ivar's neck with a front facelock as Ivar is rather energetic on the apron. McDonagh comes in with a slingshot moonsault and it's back to Balor for the stomping.

A missed charge allows the tag off to Ivar though and house is quickly cleaned. The spinning kick drops McDonagh but here is the rest o Judgment Day for a distraction. The War Machine connects but Dominik Mysterio puts the foot on the rope. Balor grabs a rollup to retain the titles at 9:52.

Rating: C+. Pretty standard tag match here though it was nice to see the champions actually defending the belts for a change. They almost never do that, which commentary pointed out. At the same time, the Raiders already lose their big shot, but at least they had some nice wins on the way here. They should be fine with that kind of power offense.

We look at New Day's ten years together.

New Day is ready to get back to where they need to be.

New Day vs. Alpha Academy

New Day can't even agree on who should start and it's Woods being knocked into the corner for the Caterpillar. The top rope backsplash gives Tozawa the pin on Woods at 1:46. The team is hitting rock bottom and that's what needs to happen.

Post match, arguing ensues and Kofi talks about how he's done everything for Woods. That's why Woods didn't get to call the shots: he's too reckless. Woods takes credit for Kofi becoming World Champion but Kofi says the reason Woods has never won the World Title is he isn't good enough. They're about to fight but agree to see each other at the reunion next week. Dang it's weird to see these guys doing this and dang I'm not sure what's going to happen at that reunion.

Miz sends the Final Testament off to find the Wyatt Sicks.

They all leave, and Nikki Cross pops up to scare Scarlett.

Post break the Final Testament and Miz are back, with Scarlett freaking out. Karrion Kross will deal with it.

Before the show started, General Manager Adam Pearce announced the Women's Intercontinental Title, with a tournament starting up next week.

Survivor Series rundown, with LA Knight defending the US Title against Shinsuke Nakamura also added.

Nia Jax is ready to squash Bianca Belair.

The Bloodline is impressed by Roman Reigns scoring CM Punk, but that's the last one they're getting. On Smackdown, Jacob Fatu will smash Jey Uso to get the WarGames advantage.

Nia Jax vs. Bianca Belair

Non-title WarGames advantage match. Jax starts fast and hits a running splash in the corner to take over. Belair fights up and flips over her though, setting up a dropkick out to the floor. Jax sends her into the barricade though and we take a break. Back with Jax missing a sitdown splash in the corner and missing a charge into the post. A legdrop works a good bit better though and a middle rope version gets two.

The Annihilator is broken up so Jax heads to the top, where Belair gorilla presses her own (geez). A Samoan drop sets up another failed Annihilator attempt (with a turnbuckle pad being exposed somewhere in there) so they head outside. Jax drops her onto the announcers' table and opts for the countout but cue Bayley to send Jax into the exposed buckle. Belair adds a 450 for the win at 11:08.

Rating: B-. Jax's dominance was on display here and it made for a solid enough main event. The Bayley part at the end is interesting, as it makes me wonder if she might have had something to do with Cargill being attacked in the first

place. The assist also protects Jax from taking a clean fall so this was well put together all around.

Overall Rating: B-. None of the matches were worth going out of your way to see here, but what mattered the most was having Survivor Series get a big push. The women's WarGames has its advantage, Gunther vs. Priest got a nice boost and two more title matches were set. That's an efficient two hours and the show is looking better as a result, Solid work here and Survivor Series has some potential.

Results

American Made b. LWO – Rollup to Mysterio

Ludwig Kaiser b. Bron Breaker via DQ when Sheamus interfered

Judgment Day b. War Raiders – Rollup to Ivar

Alpha Academy b. New Day – Top rope backsplash to Woods

Bianca Belair b. Nia Jax – 450

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