

# John Cena Possibly Injured At House Show

<http://www.wrestlingrumors.net/john-cena-potentially-injured-during-wwe-live-event-on-friday-night/40780/>

This one doesn't sound that serious, but not doing the post match stuff isn't a good sign. At least he was able to finish the match. There's a good chance he won't be on Raw though and that's fine considering Seth has a second opponent for the pay per view.

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# Jimmy Snuka Charged With 1983 Murder

<http://411mania.com/wrestling/jimmy-snuka-charged-with-murder/>

This has been rumored for years now and it's finally happening 32 years later. Snuka already has stomach cancer and there's a good chance he could be going down for this too. This has really been a bad year for 80s stars but this is a different kind of bad.

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# Thought of the Day: Something Russo Got Right

I've been watching a lot of Raw from 1997 lately and it's such a different way of doing things.

Coming into Survivor Series, there is almost no card announced. You can see so many of the matches ready, but more often than not, the matches are all just announced at once. In other words, no long promos to set up a match and no contract signings. The matches are made by the powers that be, who actually do stuff when the cameras aren't rolling.

Also back in the day, you would see a lot of title matches just announced for the next week. For instance Ken Shamrock gets a World Title shot against Bret Hart. When was this made? Sometime during the week. Who made it? The WWF brass. No promo, no real reason for it, and we get a nice match as a result. In other words, the company didn't take you by the hand and explain everything to you like a four year old. I get the idea of wanting to explain stuff, but it could be as simple of an explanation as "Shamrock has been on a roll recently so the WWF has granted him a title opportunity." Three seconds, point made, move on.

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## WWE Network And An Adult Website

This is something I'd expect out of TNA. So on the Foxiest Features episode of the List, there's a quick comedy segment about a dating site for women who love men with scars. There's a website listed as part of the joke.....and it's an actual adult website. It's not full on adult stuff but there are various links for various similar sites. This is a case

where spending all of half a second typing the site into a computer could have prevented the problem, but now it comes off as something to make WWE look stupid.

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## **Jon Stewart To Host Summerslam**

<http://www.wrestlingrumors.net/jon-stewart-to-host-wwe-summerslam-on-sunday/39161/>

Well alright. I've heard worse ideas and the guy is definitely hot right now as well as a huge WWE fan so I have very few complaints.

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## **So I Started Watching The List**

I was thinking it would be a half hour version of Countdown. And it's a half hour version of Countdown. I have no idea why they dropped Countdown, which is pretty much the easiest show in the world to do and the format was as basic as you could ask for, but instead we now get this, which is the exact same thing but with almost all new names instead of anything historic.

To give you an idea of what I was in for, the first show was called Trendiest Divas, meaning we're already in Twitter territory. The top of the list of course? The Bellas, with a

special video on Stephanie to close things out. Yeah....I need to just watch Countdown reruns.

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## **John Cena Wrestling At Summerslam**

According to Cena himself on Summerslam. It's not really a surprise and probably the best possible option. This is probably my last Tough Enough related post this year.

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## **Thought of the Day – It's Been Awhile**

Looking at why this rematch with Undertaker is being better received than Lesnar's other rematch.

One of the keys to Brock Lesnar is spacing out his matches as well as you can. Since he's been back, Brock has had the following matches:

John Cena – Extreme Rules 2012

HHH – Summerslam 2012

HHH – Wrestlemania XXIX

HHH – Extreme Rules 2013

CM Punk – Summerslam 2013

Big Show – Royal Rumble 2014

Undertaker – Wrestlemania XXX

John Cena – Summerslam 2014

John Cena – Night of Champions 2014

John Cena, Seth Rollins – Royal Rumble 2015

Seth Rollins, Roman Reigns – Wrestlemania XXXI

Kofi Kingston – Beast in the East

Seth Rollins – Battleground 2015

Now, and of course this isn't an exact science, the two times that people seemed to be getting annoyed with Lesnar's booking was during the HHH trilogy which never stopped and the Cena feud. The Cena feud is where I want to focus though, as people didn't seem to mind Cena getting a rematch, but moreso that he got so many in a row.

That's the key to most of Brock's feuds and the reason the Undertaker rematch is being fairly well received: it's been a year and a half since the first match, so Brock has had a chance to fight other people. Brock is still a featured attraction and we want to see him against a variety of opponents. Of course he's going to have rematches, but you need to space them out instead of just doing them all in a row. Imagine Rock vs. Austin on three straight pay per views. Sure the matches would be great, but waiting two years instead of four weeks was a huge improvement.

That being said, I'd love to see some extra time between regular feuds too. So many title matches would be better received if we hadn't seen it just a month earlier.

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## Rewatching Wrestlemania XXX

Just felt like throwing it on (and I can because the Network is amazing). It's the opening segment with Hogan and Austin and.....dang man. When the glass shattered, even watching it now, I could feel my heart beating in my chest. It takes something really special to get me fired up again a year and a half after it happened and knowing it was coming, but this is one of the most amazing things I've ever seen. As soon as Austin came out I knew Rock was coming next but it couldn't have been better.

Then later on there's something else that isn't given the credit it deserves. When Lesnar hits the third F5 on Undertaker, Heyman has his evil grin and the cocky look on his face says "yeah I told you so". But then when the three count goes down and Brock wins, Heyman is STUNNED. Sure Heyman thought his man could do it, but then when Brock actually does it, even Heyman is shocked. That was such an amazing moment.

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# Layla Retires From WWE

<http://www.wwe.com/inside/layla-retires-from-wwe-27726062>

Does it count as news when you haven't done anything in months if not years? She's from that model era of wrestling where the Divas were mostly worthless in the ring and Layla was really just the bubbly one who looked good in small outfits. There were FAR worse Divas out there and Layla reached a point where she wasn't too bad. I'll give her this too: I saw her at a house show in person and my goodness the cameras don't do her justice. She was stunning.