# NXT UK - March 11, 2021: There's Something Nice About This

#### **NXT UK**

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It's time for a first ever match as we're getting a mixed tag this week. I'm not sure how much of a deal that is but they have hyped it up well enough. On top of that we are getting a Heritage Cup rules match as Tyler Bate continues to try and get back on track. That could make for an interesting story so let's get to it.

Here are last week's results if you need a recap.

Opening sequence.

# Tyler Bate vs. Dave Mastiff

Heritage Cup rules. Feeling out process to start with Bate's headlock being countered with a wristlock. The much bigger Mastiff powers him down but Bate nips up into a standoff. Mastiff takes him down with some tests of strength for two each and Bate pops up before Mastiff can sit on his chest. Mastiff flips him down by the wrist to end the first round.

The second round begins with Bate having to dodge the big man and getting in a few shots to the face. Bate ducks underneath him and goes to the middle rope where a sunset flip gives him the first fall at 1:35 of the round. Bate slowly strikes away to start the third round, with Mastiff taking over off a shot to the face. For some reason Bate tries a fireman's carry....and manages to get him up, only to have Mastiff reverse into a

crucifix for the tying pin at 1:27 of the round.

Bate is all freaked out as round four begins and Mastiff sends him flying with a toss. Some slams have Bate in trouble as Mastiff channels his inner Ezekiel Jackson. Mastiff hits a powerbomb and then drops down onto his ribs, which is enough to send Bate bailing to the floor for a labored breather. Bate gets rammed into the barricade to make it worse but he dives back in to beat the count at nine. Mastiff gets some near falls as the round ends.

We start the fifth round with Mastiff elbowing away at the back and chest until Bate has to escape a fireman's carry. Bate can't hit a German suplex but he can collapse before Mastiff can hit a corner splash. A German suplex sends Mastiff flying but Into The Void misses. Somehow Bate manages the airplane spin and the Spiral Tap finishes Mastiff at 1:34 of the round (13:58 total).

Rating: B-. This was the David vs. Goliath formula with some crazy strength displays from Bate. The good thing about Bate is he has both the reputation and the skills to be moved into any spot so heating him up again is always a good idea. Mastiff continues to be impressive when he is given the chance, but these wins over him aren't meaning as much as they start to pile up.

Kenny Williams and Amir Jordan are ready for Mark Andrews and Flash Morgan Webster on their way to the Tag Team Titles.

Video on Aoife Valkyrie.

### <u>Teoman vs. Eddie Jones</u>

That would be Lucky Kid from WXW. Teoman slaps him on the head out of the corner and then takes Jones down for a basement dropkick. Back up and Jones' comeback is cut off by a shot to the ribs and Teoman stands on his head. The double arm crank doesn't last long and Jones grabs a Backstabber. Teoman kicks

him in the back and hits a missile dropkick to the back for a bonus. A double stomp to the back into a Crossface makes Jones tap at 3:30.

Rating: C. The wrestling was ok but there is a charisma from Teoman that got my attention. He feels like someone you are going to want to pay attention to and that is always a nice thing to see. NXT UK needs some new stars and if he can be part of that next generation, we could be in for a treat.

Xia Brookside has Nina Samuels clean her kitchen without telling her there is a dishwasher.

Eddie Dennis is not happy with Wild Boar causing Dennis to take a beating in the street fight.

Video on Amale.

Gallus is in an otherwise empty pool and promise to get back on top after losing the Tag Team Titles.

<u>Kenny Williams/Amir Jordan vs. Flash Morgan Webster/Mark</u> <u>Andrews</u>

Webster, with his taped up ribs, starts with Williams and takes him to the mat by the arm. A few spins let Webster take Williams down and it's off to Andrews for a step up dropkick. After a quick chat on the floor, Jordan comes in and is quickly caught in Andrews' wristlock. A double hiptoss takes Jordan down and Andrews hits a standing moonsault for two. There's a basement dropkick for two more and Webster grabs a snap suplex for the same. It's back to Williams to knock Webster down for a camel clutch on the bad ribs.

That's broken up in a hurry so Jordan comes back in for a chinlock. Webster breaks that up in a hurry and dropkicks his way over to the corner for the tag off to Andrews. Everything breaks down with Andrews getting to clean house until a standing Sliced Bread drops Williams. A standing flip splash

gets two and it's a double tag so Jordan and Andrews can come back in.

Stundog Millionaire drops Jordan but Williams makes the save. It's back to Williams with a springboard elbow to drop Webster but Andrews shoves him into Jordan for the crash. Williams is fine enough to blast Webster with a clothesline and they're both down. There is no Jordan to tag so Williams hits a quick low blow (much to Jordan's disapproval) and grabs a bulldog driver for the pin at 10:57.

Rating: C+. This is fairly interesting as Williams and Jordan have grown on me a bit since they have started taking things more seriously. I'm not sure I could have gotten all that interesting in seeing them as challengers for the titles though so doing this kind of a story could be more interesting. Williams is the more complete star, and him dropping Jordan makes a bit more sense.

Video on Ilja Dragunov going a bit scooters lately.

Video on Trent Seven, who is working harder than ever to be ready for his weigh-in. Tyler Bate has ever seen him work so hard. The weigh-in is next week on the Bump.

Ben Carter is ready for a new start so he has a new name: Nathan Frazer. That's certainly a WWE name.

# Jinny/Joseph Conners vs. Jack Starz/Piper Niven

The women start but Jinny tags out before anything happens (with a smirk on her face). Conners takes Starz to the mat by the arm (that's really popular around here) but a cravate is broken up in a hurry. An armdrag into an armbar has Conners in some trouble for a change and Starz nails a dropkick to send Conners outside. It's back to the women with Jinny rolling away until a Conners distraction lets her get in a few cheap shots.

That doesn't work out so well so Jinny has to bring Conners back in, with Starz grabbing a fast backdrop. Conners uses a Jinny distraction to hit something like a bulldog to the apron, where Jinny nails a kick to the head. A tilt-a-whirl slam plants Starz and he hammers away in the corner, only to charge into an elbow to the face. Starz misses a crossbody though and goes sailing out to the floor.

Back in and Starz wins a slugout, setting up a diving tag to bring in Piper. Jinny gets thrown around to set up the running basement crossbody. A rolling Liger kick rocks Piper but a headbutt puts them both down. Conners tags himself back in so Piper feeds him into a suplex from Starz, setting up stereo Cannonballs. The Piper Driver plants Conners and Niven drops Starz onto him for the pin at 9:41.

Rating: C. Well that happened. This is a match that served as little more than a way to keep Jinny vs. Niven going, as somehow it is a feud that hasn't gone on long enough already. The men were just people here for the sake of being there and they did their job well enough. It just wasn't anything of note aside from Niven beating up Conners, and even that is only so interesting.

**Overall Rating:** C+. This was a more entertaining show than usual as they kept things moving. The matches weren't the best but I had a fun time with the show. You can always go for something like that and what we got here worked out well. NXT UK continues to be very good stuff and that is never a bad situation to have.

#### <u>Results</u>

Tyler Bate b. Dave Mastiff — Spiral Tap

Teoman b. Eddie Jones - Crossface

Kenny Williams/Amir Jordan b. Mark Andrews/Flash Morgan Webster — Bulldog driver to Webster

Piper Niven/Jack Starz b. Joseph Conners/Jinny — Splash to Conners

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