

# 205 Live – September 24, 2021: A New Course

## 205 Live

Date: September 24, 2021

Location: Capitol Wrestling Center, Orlando, Florida

Commentators: Nigel McGuinness, Vic Joseph

The new (again) 205 Live continues as they have been running three matches a week, plus often dropping the weight limit. Throw in some women's matches and this show is actually looking like something different for a change. I'm not saying that is going to lead to a good show, but at least it isn't all the same. Let's get to it.

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

## Xyon Quin vs. Oney Lorcan

That's some star power for around here. Lorcan takes him into the corner to start as the fans seem to be behind Quin. Some chops and a ram into the corner don't do much to Quin, who is right back with a spinning elbow. Lorcan kicks the leg out though and starts hammering away and another shot to the knee gets two. The chinlock doesn't last long as Quin powers up and strikes Lorcan into the corner, setting up a running shoulder to the ribs. One heck of a ripcord forearm knocks Lorcan silly for the pin at 3:17.

**Rating:** C. It was short but to the point as Quin looks like a monster and someone who could run over a lot of people in a hurry. Lorcan is actually a win that means something as he has won a few things in NXT over the years. They might have a little something with Quin, or at least the pieces to go somewhere with him.

Video on Ikemen Jiro and his wardrobe (from NXT).

## Ikemen Jiro vs. Malik Blade

The fans seem to like Jiro but he gets shouldered down to start. A dropkick sets up some armdrags but Jiro snaps the arm across the top. Jiro cranks back on the arm a few times and a running flip splash gets two. We go creative as Jiro grabs the arm and springboards into a moonsault to take Malik to the mat. Malik fights out of the armbar though and spinwheel kicks Jiro down, setting up a high crossbody for two. Jiro goes right back to the arm though and finishes with the Ikemen Slash at 5:27.

**Rating:** C-. Jiro working on the arm worked and it seems like NXT wants to push him as well. I can go with the snazzy jackets, but I'm not sure how far something that is a little bit sillier like this is going to go. Jiro is fine enough in the ring, though there would seem to be a ceiling over just how far he can rise.

## Cora Jade vs. Ember Moon

There's your even bigger star power as this show becomes even more NXT Main Event. Moon headlock takeovers her down and grinds on the head as the fans are quite behind Ember. Jade reverses into a hammerlock as the chants are a bit more split. Back up and things reset a bit until Jade snaps off a springboard hurricanrana.

A standing armbar has Moon in more trouble but it seems to make her mad more than anything else as the comeback is on. Moon ties her into the Tree of Woe for some kicks to the back and Jade is sent shoulder first into the post. That's almost enough for a countout but Moon doesn't want it that way. Instead she throws Jade back inside for a powerbomb and the Eclipse finishes Jade at 6:58.

**Rating:** C. Moon is a much bigger deal than most of the people you see on the show and that's a good thing. NXT has all of these people just sitting around doing almost nothing every

week so send them out there for a quick match and maybe draw some eyes to this show. It wasn't a great match or anything, but the Eclipse is always worth seeing.

**Overall Rating:** C. This is already WAY better than 205 Live, as you can only get so far with the same wrestlers over and over and we had reached that point about three years ago. There isn't anything in the way of storylines around here, but sometimes you need to mix things up a bit. This feels more like taking a different course and that's ok in this case. Let us see some more of the up and coming/underused talent, which has been needed for a long time now.

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# **205 Live – September 17, 2021: What I Asked For...For Some Reason**

## **205 Live**

Date: September 17, 2021

Location: Capitol Wrestling Center, Orlando, Florida

Commentators: Nigel McGuinness, Vic Joseph

It's time for the brand new look to the show and that might be a good thing. At the same time, what matters more is the fact that this show is morphing into the NXT supplemental show that it has needed to be for a long time now. I'm not sure what to expect from this show, and that's a nice feeling after all these years. Let's get to it.

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

### Valentina Feroz vs. Amari Miller

Feroz grabs the armbar to start and Miller can't quite forearm her way to freedom. Instead, Miller grabs her own armbar but Feroz flips her way to freedom. A kick to the head drops Feroz though and some knees to the face from the apron rock Feroz again. The chinlock doesn't last long but a knee to the ribs cuts off a comeback attempt. Some wristdrags have Miller in trouble but she grabs a spinebuster. That's fine with Feroz, who grabs a cross armbreaker from the mat for the tap at 5:56.

**Rating:** C. Feroz got my attention here as that finish came out of nowhere. That's the kind of move that could get her somewhere and while I don't know if that is a likelihood, at least she did something cool once. Miller seems like a developmental project but she was smooth enough in the ring to start.

### Malik Blade vs. Boa

Blake is the nephew of NBA legend Daryl Dawkins and was trained by D-Von Dudley. Boa kicks him down to start but Blade is back up with some dropkicks. Some arm snaps across the ropes put Blade back in trouble though and Boa kicks away. Blade is back with forearms and a running corner clothesline into a high crossbody for two. Not that it matters as Boa grabs a layout reverse DDT for the pin at 3:21.

**Rating:** C-. Blade got in some offense so it wasn't a full on squash. That being said, Boa still isn't all that interesting and there isn't much else to say about him. He does his stuff in the ring and looks passable enough, but I have yet to see anything actually interesting from him at any point.

### Andre Chase vs. Trey Baxter

Chase takes him down and strikes his pose (it's making an A with his fingers) before taking Baxter down into an armbar. The crucifix gives Chase two but Baxter is back up with a headscissors. Some kicks from the apron rock Chase, who drops Baxter ribs first across the top for two. Baxter runs into a boot in the corner to make it worse and a belly to back suplex sets up the waistlock. With that not working, Chase switches to a chinlock but Baxter fights up and drops him with a shot to the face.

A Lionsault gives Baxter two but Chase is back with a half crab. Make that an STF in the middle of the ring, sending Baxter crawling over to the rope for the break. Baxter sends him outside for the suicide dive but gets caught with a tiger driver for two back inside. Chase takes him up top but looks a little shaky, allowing Baxter to pull him down. A kick to the head sets up the 450 double stomp for the pin on Chase at 8:33.

**Rating:** C. This is the kind of stuff that doesn't give me the most interest in 205 Live. Both guys are fine enough at what they do but it was just two guys having a match and little more. It got some extra time and was far from bad, but it's the kind of match that is fine enough to open a show and little more. Totally watchable, and nothing I'll remember in about five minutes.

**Overall Rating:** C-. I like the idea of an NXT supplemental show, but these people aren't on NXT very often for a reason. The women's match worked out well enough and the main event

was fine, with Boa's near squash in the middle. Just another forgettable show, which tends to be the case a lot more often than not around here.

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