

Thumbs in the middle

BEST: Daniels/Kazarian vs. Angle/AJ WORST: Bully Ray vs. James Storm for an overbooked mess

This is the first TNA PPV I had seen in a long time, and was planning on purchasing Bound for Glory... but I'm not so sure now, as I feel a lot of TNA's momentum was killed with this show. A face vs. face title match with no history up to this point for the main event of their version of WrestleMania doesn't make me want to spend money to see that match. They have five weeks to change my mind. It's also shows that they didn't strike with James Storm when the iron was hot, as Storm has lost tons of momentum and the program with Roode is now relegated to the midcard... history was not learned from SummerSlam 1993/Lex Luger.

The Aces & Eights angle just is missing the mark with the live crowd. I think they've now booked themselves into a corner, as once the reveal comes on who they are, there's going to be little reaction, if any, to Mike Knox or Luke Gallows being revealed. It's also time that they give the group some motivation -- why are they around, why are they attacking people, and why couldn't they get contracts with TNA and then join up as a group? I hope they're not thinking that this is their NWO moment, because the NWO had huge stars, and motivation (well, early on at least, when it was that they were ex-WWF stars who wanted to take over).

If they drop the number of PPVs as speculated next year, they also need to drop the number of shows in Orlando... if they do 8 PPVs, do 4 in the Impact Zone to make the people there look forward to the big shows and get into them more. I think that there are 9 per year there now which is way too many, and it feels like a longer version of Impact that you have to pay for, rather than something special and different. I felt bad for Tara and Tessmacher, as they had a good match -- borderline great for a women's match these days -- but the crowd just offered what amounted to pity applause when Brooke was pretty much begging for a reaction after she hit some big moves. This was the case in several matches, but I noticed it the most in the women's match.

Overall, I go thumbs in the middle because the wrestling was good, but I think the booking was bad and made me less forward to seeing Bound for Glory -- which is a loss for TNA because that show needs to be a success to validate the improvement of their product over the past several months.

-Chris

Lakeland, FL

TNA No Surrender poll

Thumbs up

Best: Angle/Styles vs Daniels/Kazarian barely beating out the X Division match

Worst: Bully vs Hardy

**A bit overbooked and 3 ref bumps in one match, give me a break. But the guys I watched the PPV
Thanks.**

Dave Rude

Thumbs in the middle PLEASE TNA get OUT of the Impact Zone for 80% of why the show wasn't good
Xavier Nowlin

Thumbs up Best match: Angle/Style vs Daniels/Taz vs Trish vs Tara I was at
Jay Reddick