

Blood, Sweat, and Body Slams

By Stephan MacLeod

I can't think of a better way to spend a Thursday night than at the Civic Center watching guys beat the snot out of each other and insulting the audience. No, I didn't go to an Abbies hockey game. Real Action Wrestling was in town.

Featuring a roster of hard-hitting independent wrestlers, RAW wrestling had as much talent and energy as the major wrestling organizations. The hardcore, weapons match had more bumps and blood than most pay-per-view events. And the mic skills of some of the wrestlers motivated the crowd into loud

cheers or jeers much like the audiences on the Monday night wrestling television shows.

A few local talents showed how the Maritimes could produce wrestlers as good as anywhere else. New-comer, Mike Hughes, from Charlottetown started wrestling earlier this year and has improved a great deal. He turned heel when he grabbed the microphone and expressed his anger at Prince Edward Island for not supporting him. And the giant, former WWF superstar, Kurgan, who hails from New Brunswick, dominated a free for all match. Not

only did the big guy perfectly execute all his moves; he did it with a lot of charisma.

The highlight for the evening had to be the hardcore match between the Notorious TID and Midnight Mass. These guys came to the ring with a garbage can filled with bizarre household items and used them in a most original, painful way. A slab of drywall, a paddle for a boat, a fishing rod, a Poison record, and a computer keyboard all found their way on either wrestlers head. TID was bleeding after Midnight Mass downloaded the keyboard to his face.

The crowd went nuts when they

pulled out a table from underneath the ring, but a lot of things seemed to go wrong at this point. The referee helped Midnight drag the table into the ring, but he accidentally dropped part of it on TID's head (this was obviously not in the script). And when Midnight Mass attempted to powerbomb TID onto the table his leg buckled and he dropped him without breaking the table. He limped backstage, with the help of the ref, after the match was over. TID got up after the beating with a head full of blood and raised his own hand in victory. It was painful to watch some of that match, but the wrestlers seemed to enjoy the crowd's reactions.

When the main event was over, the announcer promised Real Action Wrestling would return on November 25th. I recommend going to the next event because this type of entertainment doesn't usually come to Charlottetown. Most wrestling tours do not include the Maritimes. Wrestling fans should support RAW because it is as good as the stuff on television, Islanders own it, and it cultivates local wrestling talent. And if you're still not down with Real Action Wrestling, I got two words for you...Backstreet Tribute. **END**

featuring **Hard Core match & Heavy Weight Championship Match**

Former WWF Superstar Kurgan
Now known as **Goliath**

Weight 325 lbs.
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Todd "The Bod"
Tommy Twilight
Magnus Von steel

Midnight Mass

Shamus

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