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The New Era of NWA **Heads to Cleveland**

NWA 75 marked a new beginning for the National Wrestling Alliance.

Over the two-night NWA anniversary spectacular, eight new champions were crowned. Seen by many as a hard reset of sorts for nearly everything fans have known for a year, these were just the start of changes to NWA programming.

Days later, Season 15 of **NWA Powerrr** arrived with a fresh, new look and feel as well. The classic studio setting of the NWA's flagship YouTube program was updated to be more polished and visually stimulating. The break-neck new pace is designed to keep audiences on the edge of their seats - and does exactly that!

Equally exciting was the immediate announcement of NWA's first pay-per-view of this new era. Now all roads lead to Cleveland, OH, home of new NWA promotional territory **EXODUS PRO.** On October 28, NWA presents **Samhain**, a pay-per-view which promises monumental clashes with high stakes and potentially violent outcomes.

Marking the end of summer and harvest season, Samhain is the time of year when darkness looms and the veil between the living and the dead is considered thinnest. If this seems exceptionally ominous, one can only imagine it should — as some NWA stars are certain to reap what they've sown!

In this issue of NWA Official Wrestling, our team takes a look at recent changes to the National Wrestling Alliance. We speculate what's ahead as every new champion, and the growing list of challenges for each, wants to make their indelible mark in history.

The only things standing between these NWA superstars and destiny are time and opportunity. It all begins Oct. 28 in Cleveland - when we find out who can make it out of Samhain alive.

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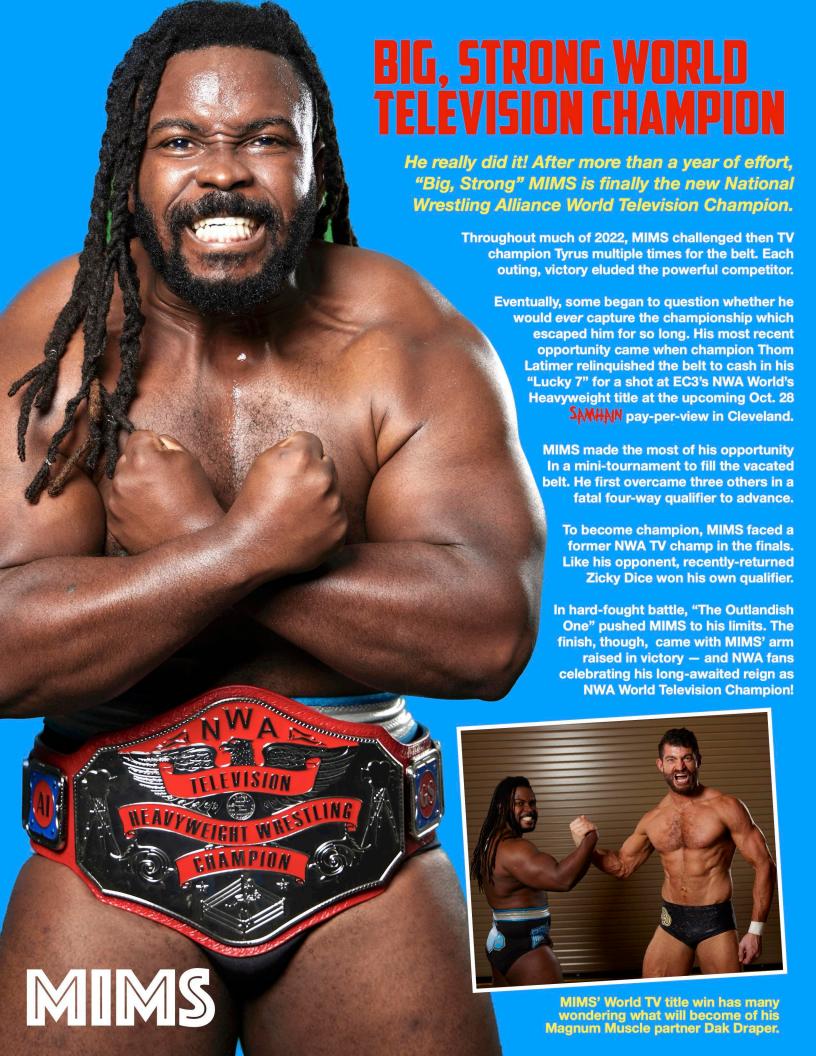
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While Max might be intent on setting a precedent as NWA's Women's TV champion, the "Lucky 7" clause promises other possibilities. After seven successful defenses, the TV champion can trade in the belt for a shot at the Women's World title...now held by — drum roll, please — Kenzie Paige!

Scant hours after being decimated by Max at 75, Paige rebounded in a big way. The very night she dropped the TV title, Paige outlasted 10 others — including "The Warlord of the Wasteland" —as a surprise entrant in the Burke Invitational Gauntlet to earn a shot at "The Brickhouse" Kamille the next night.

"It was a shock," confesses the legendary Jazz, herself a former NWA Women's World Champion.

"Nobody knew Kenzie would compete in the gauntlet, and after the beating Max gave her earlier that night," Jazz noted, "I never expected she'd have the stamina to go all the way against those women. She really shocked us all!"

It was only the beginning of shockwaves Paige would send through the NWA. On night two of the PPV, she did what both Chelsea Green and Max failed to after winning previous Burke Invitational events: she ended the history-making 817 day reign of Kamille!

"That's what these idiots get for under-estimating Kenzie Paige!" the brash new champion screamed afterward.

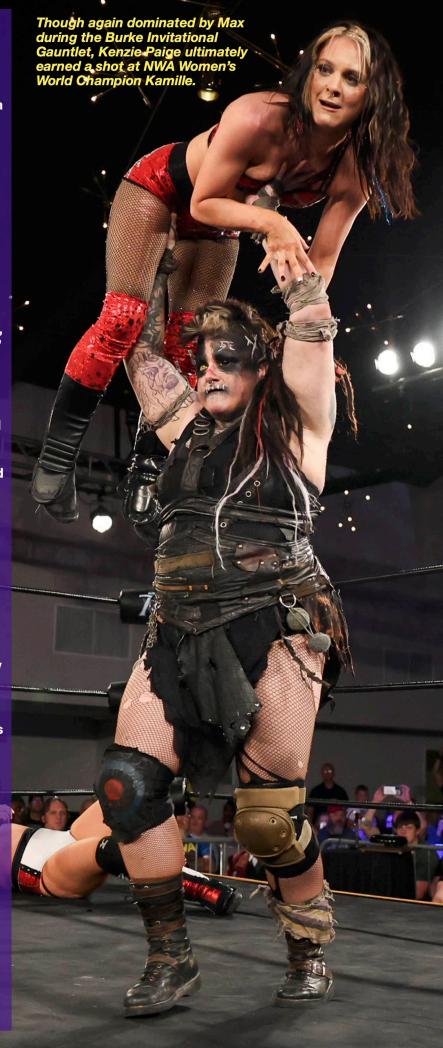
"The reign of the real 'one-time' champ began in St. Louis — and nobody is taking this belt away from me now!" Paige continued. "Not Kamille, not Natalia Markova and definitely not Max the Impaler!"

That has yet to be seen, of course. On the glossy new season of *NWA Powerrr*, Max has already bulldozed through challenges including recently-arrived competitors like Taylor Rising and MJ Jenkins. Still, while both are incredible talents, neither has the wiles or resolve of Paige.

Though NWA experts stop short of saying outright they believe The Impaler can or will take Paige's title, all agree it's a very distinct possibility. Likewise, for most, it's a collision everyone seems excited to see.

"How often do you get a potential rubber match in a rivalry like this where the stakes are actually *higher* than ever before?" asks enthusiastic NWA lead broadcaster Joe Galli.

"It has all the earmarks of an instant classic between two warriors whose careers have become intensely intertwined over nearly a year," he states. "I think it could be a main event anywhere in the world — and likely will be at some point here in NWA."





Before that can happen, Ruthie Jay has an opportunity to spoil the dream match. She won a multi-woman match on *NWA Powerrr* to become the No. 1 contender to the Women's World title. She faces the incumbent Sat., Oct. 28, at SAMHAN in Cleveland.

Meanwhile, the new Women's TV champion takes the belt around the world. Max will be the first to defend the TV title in Japan, where they steamrolled competition in advance of *NWA 75*, with an equally groundbreaking defense in Norway also scheduled.

Mitchell says all will be little more than a warm up for the inevitable: a rematch for Paige's World title.

"When that time comes — and it will — Max the Impaler will once again tear Kenzie Paige limb from limb," the malignant Mitchell says with conviction.

"The next time, there will be little more than a lifeless carcass in the middle of a blood-soaked ring," he concludes, "As 'The Non-Binary Nightmare' yet again hoists gold aloft and marks a dark new era in National Wrestling Alliance history."







Brady Pierce Angrily Declares: "The Spectaculars Are Dead!"

They tried so hard to be, well, "Spectacular."

Brady Pierce with brothers Rush and Rolando Freeman had looks, fan support, dance moves and more — yet somehow never *quite* lived up to their name. Unable to gain consistent momentum (or victories), and marred by incessant bickering between the Freemans, The Spectaculars imploded at *NWA 75*.

"I am sick of being laughed at by others," said Pierce, who turned his back on the Freeman brothers during the Austin Idol National Battle Royal.

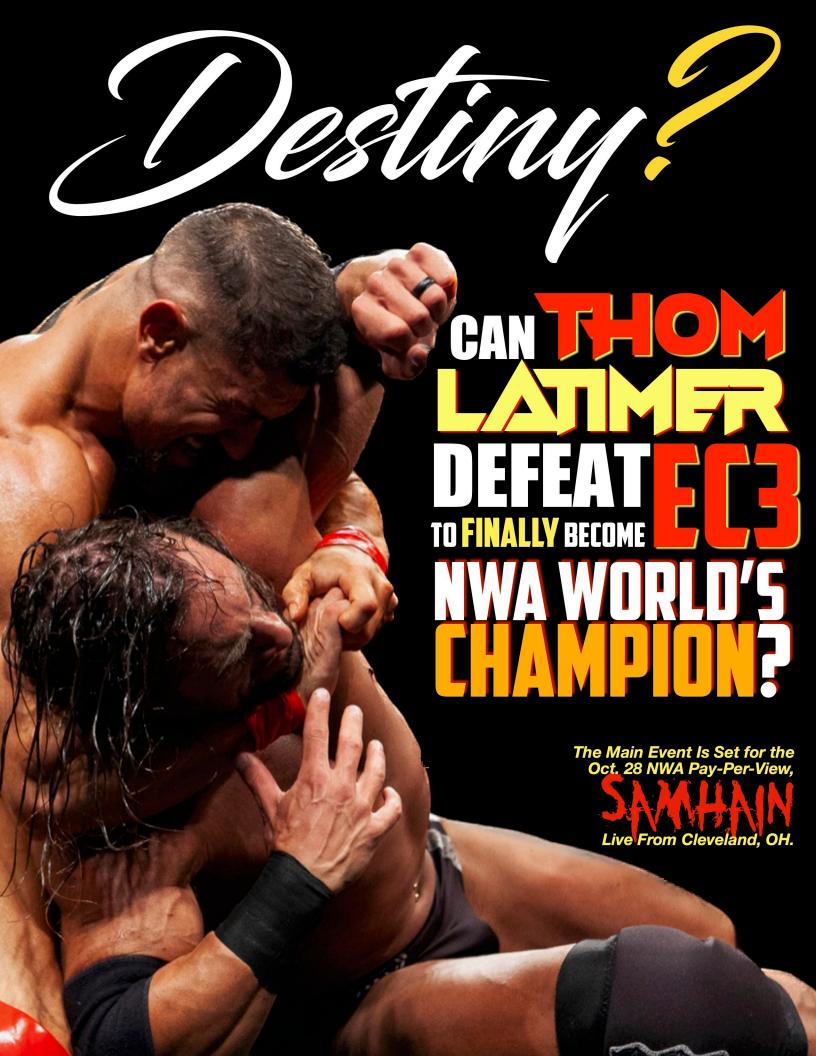
"Even Rolando considers Rush the weak link, so why should I feel any different?" Pierce asked, "It's time to cut the dead weight. The Spectaculars are dead!"

While some undoubtedly see Brady's point, others see it differently. Those close to the situation say Rush suffered silently between two, ever-growing egos for *months*.



In their last photo as a trio, The Spectaculars — Brady Pierce, Rolando and Rush Freeman — enter the Austin Idol National Battle Royal together at *NWA 75*.











By all appearances, the newly-crowned "Over Champ" welcomes the challenge. From nearly the moment EC3 stepped into NWA mid-2022, he's demanded Latimer show his true self — saying it's the only way to fulfill what even the champion seems to deem "destiny" by winning the belt.

In front of a raucous studio audience, EC3 confronted Latimer, urging him to challenge for the title at SAMHAN. With Kamille by his side, Latimer handed over the TV title to make it official.

"People think because I am not loud, constantly screaming out my intent and ambitions, that I've been tamed by marriage or lost my drive, but that's drivel, mate," says Latimer.

"EC3 says he wants 'the best version of' Thom Latimer, and that's what he'll get Oct. 28 in Cleveland," the challenger continued, "When he does, and I walk out as the *new* NWA World's Heavyweight champion, he'll realize even though my personality has mellowed, I'm still the same man I have always been: I do my real talking in the ring."

"The Over Champ" EC3 urges long-time rival Thom Latimer to surrender the World TV title for a shot at the "Ten Pounds of Gold." Latimer, joined by wife Kamille, accepts (Above). At NWA 75, EC3 forced former champ Tyrus into retirement by submission — and wins the NWA World's title (Below).





THE IMMORTALS CHALLENGE NEW NWA U.S.
TAG TEAM CHAMPIONS DAISY KILL & TALOS

Daisy Kill and Talos are the new National Wrestling Alliance United States tag team champions!

Perhaps the Country Gentlemen took the challengers too lightly — or maybe their focus was on the future. Either way, Kill and Talos took advantage at *NWA 75*, winning an unquestionably major upset.

"We beat two pretend cowboys, and took their golden toys, to start a legacy all our own," sang Kill, accompanied by his ukulele. "A reign so shallow was ended by Talos, who sent The Thoroughbred home!"

Gloating aside, the new champions have their work cut out. First among contenders hungry for NWA gold are Kratos and Odinson.

Known as The Immortals, they melded at the 2023 Crockett Cup. Soon after, injury in Japan sidelined "The Most Feared," but they're again firing on all cylinders. Now the No. 1 contenders, they face Kill and Talos Oct. 28, live on pay-per-view.

"Odinson and Kratos can undoubtedly match Talos's power," opines tag specialist Dr. Tom Prichard. "I can't imagine The Immortals afraid of anyone, not even a seven-foot giant like Talos."

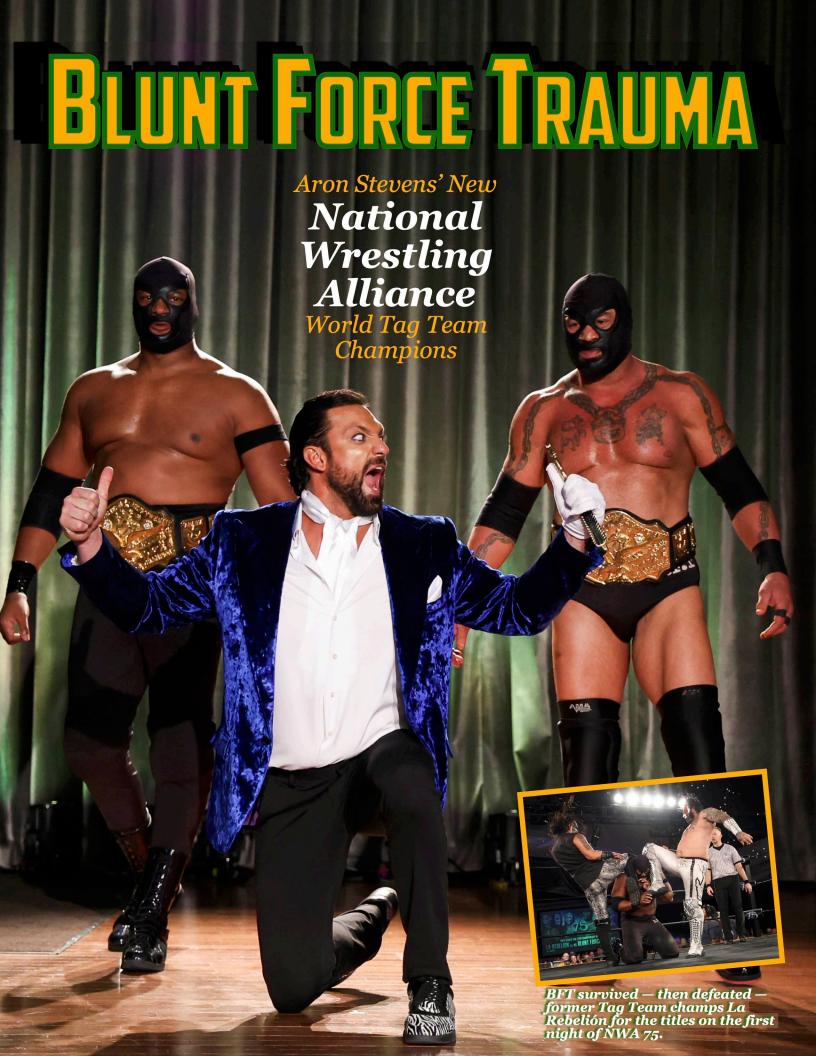
"Odinson and Kratos are absolute powerhouses," agrees NWA broadcaster Kyle Davis.

"I think Daisy Kill might be the difference-maker, though," he goes on to say. "He's as sneaky as he is smarmy — and that's really saying something! He'll *definitely* have a plan going into this defense."

"That's all well and good, but I'm a former NWA World tag team champion myself," Kratos reminds fans.

"Odinson knows something about tag team wrestling, too, and we both want to be champions in the NWA," the Sacramento native concludes. "At SAMHAN in Cleveland, we will end Daisy Kill and Talos — and make our names Immortal!"





Unseating La Rebelión Was Only the Beginning...

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For over a year, Aron Stevens has boldly predicted it. Blunt Force Trauma, he's stated with grating frequency, would be the next National Wrestling Alliance World Tag Team Champions.

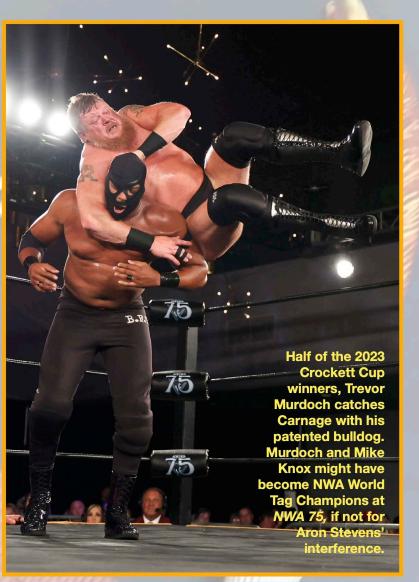
At NWA 75, Stevens' masked duo of destruction finally made good. On night one of the two-day pay-per-view, they unseated La Rebelión to fulfill the manager's promise.

"It was an extremely competitive match, and I'd go so far as to say most expected La Rebelión to retain," says NWA Senior Broadcaster Joe Galli.

"Aron Stevens never doubted Damage and Carnage would walk out as champions though," Galli continued, "And he proved his worth as their manager by making sure they did."

For all intents, it was a rematch from the 2023 Crockett Cup. There BFT faced Mecha Wolf and Bestia 666 in the semi-finals, with all smart money being on the No. 1 seeded tag champions to advance to the finals.

Instead, outside interference from La Rebelión's advisor Vampiro and Stevens led to in-ring confusion — and a



massive upset by the No. 8 seeded BFT. A shockingly similar scene played out in St. Louis, this time with Stevens and company leaving as champions.

Night two proved to also be a Crockett Cup rematch.

This time BFT defended their newly-won straps against
Mike Knox and Trevor Murdoch, the very team which
defeated them in the 2023 finals.

In a see-saw battle, Knox and Murdoch largely maintained the upper-hand. At one point, after their patented high-low clothesline combo, they even had the new champions pinned for an easy three-count.

Unfortunately for the challengers, a distraction prevented referee Jarrod Fritz from counting.

Moments after, the manager again paid dividends. He struck two-time former World's champion Murdoch with his loaded glove, allowing BFT to secure a tainted victory and retain.

"It was just another cheap win for Stevens and Blunt Force Trauma," an irate Knox stated backstage after the loss.

"There's no way those two can beat Murdoch and me without interference," he continued, "And Aron Stevens knows it!"



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MIKE KNOX

The drama continued to unfold on the new season of *NWA Powerrr*. Confronted with video evidence of his involvement in the outcome, Stevens made a litany of excuses, denying his actions prevented the titles from changing hands — or secured victory for BFT.

"As far as any controversy, let me tell you one time," Stevens said to NWA's Kyle Davis at the podium.

"Big game is played smooth outta sight, they got the belts to prove we do it right!" he continued, "So 1-2-3 is the only thing that matters in pro wrestling."

While most of his commentary needs deciphered, Stevens is correct in pointing out BFT's NWA 75 victory stands — and they remain the World tag Team Champions. They are also remain on-track for another colossal collision with Knox and Murdoch.

The teams are signed to face-off once more Oct. 28 in Cleveland, OH. BFT's championships are up for grabs when they face the Crockett Cup winners at NWA SAMHAIN.

Deeming his champions will only face the No. 1 contenders on his term, Stevens himself insisted on laying out the special stipulations. Now BFT stand defend agains Knox and Murdoch in, ahem, a "Knights of the Round Table Match."

The brainchild of Stevens — consistently "quirky at best, some might say — the self-professed "Manager of Champions" has not divulged what such a clash involves as of this writing. However, the determination of Knox and Murdoch to walk out with the titles is obvious.

"BFT realizes their days as NWA World tag team champions are numbered," Knox states.

"And Aron know for a fact Trevor and I are going to be the team to beat them for those belts.," he continued. "That's why he's trying everything he can to put as many obstacles as possible between us."

His tag team partner agrees, saying it doesn't matter what stipulations Stevens lays out to protect his champions.

The outcome at SAMHAN, Murdoch says, will be the same.

"We're going to kick Carnage and Damage's asses from one side of that ring to the other," an always stoic Murdoch says.

"Knox and I beat Blunt Force Trauma to win the 2023 Crockett Cup," he concludes, "And on October 28, fans in Cleveland and around the world on Fite-Plus are going to watch as we become the new NWA World tag team champions."

Until then, it seems, BFT's fate is (round) tabled.

RISING STAR

The 2023 Burke Invitational Gauntlet was a star-studded affair.

Though ultimately won by Kenzie Paige, the annual event saw the returns of Heather Monroe and former Women's World Champion Allysin Kay. It was also Max the Impaler's first official outing as Women's TV champion.

In addition, the Burke Invitational also marked the National Wrestling Alliance debut of Taylor Rising. One of the hottest free agents in Canadian independent wrestling, Rising wasted no time diving head-first into the jampacked NWA women's division.

In just a few short years as a professional, Rising has become a standout in the Ontario wrestling scene. During that time, she's amassed victories over such names as Taylor Wilde, B3CCA, Jody Threat and even Alex Shelley.

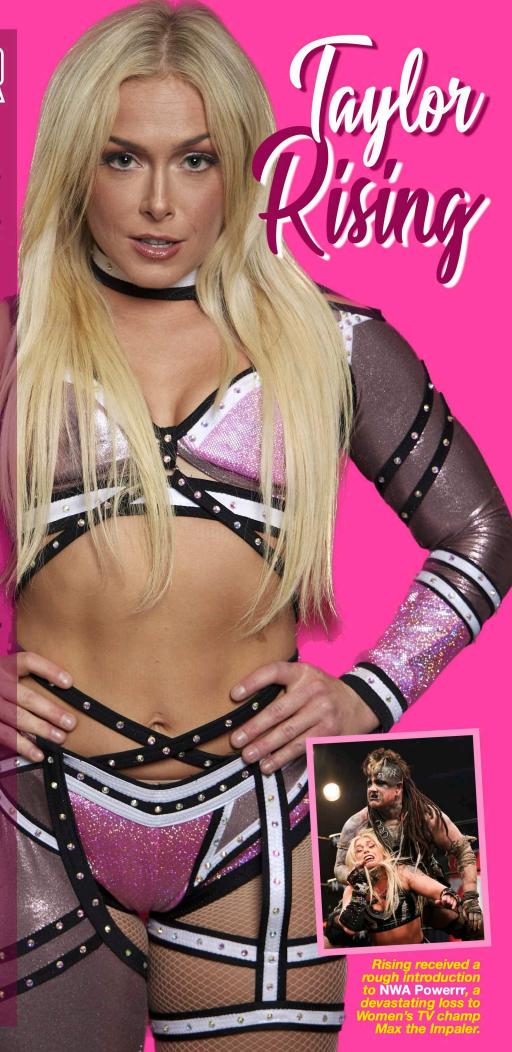
Rising's performance in the Burke Invitational clearly impressed. Mere days later, she received a shot at Max the Impaler's TV title on NWA Powerrr.

Though Rising posed a game challenge, she was no match for "The Warlord of the Wasteland." After the victory, Max continued to assault the recent arrival — prompting Natalia Markova to make the save.

Now the unexpected pairing of Rising and Markova have become top contenders to the NWA World Women's Tag Team titles. The powerful new duo will challenge Pretty Empowered for the belts at SAMHAN, the Oct. 28 NWA payper-view in Cleveland, OH.

Whether or not these international bombshells capture NWA gold is yet to be seen. What's undisputed, though, is Rising has quickly found her footing in a highly-competitive field of contenders.

With the eyes of the NWA on her, all expect to see Taylor rising to the top sooner rather than later.







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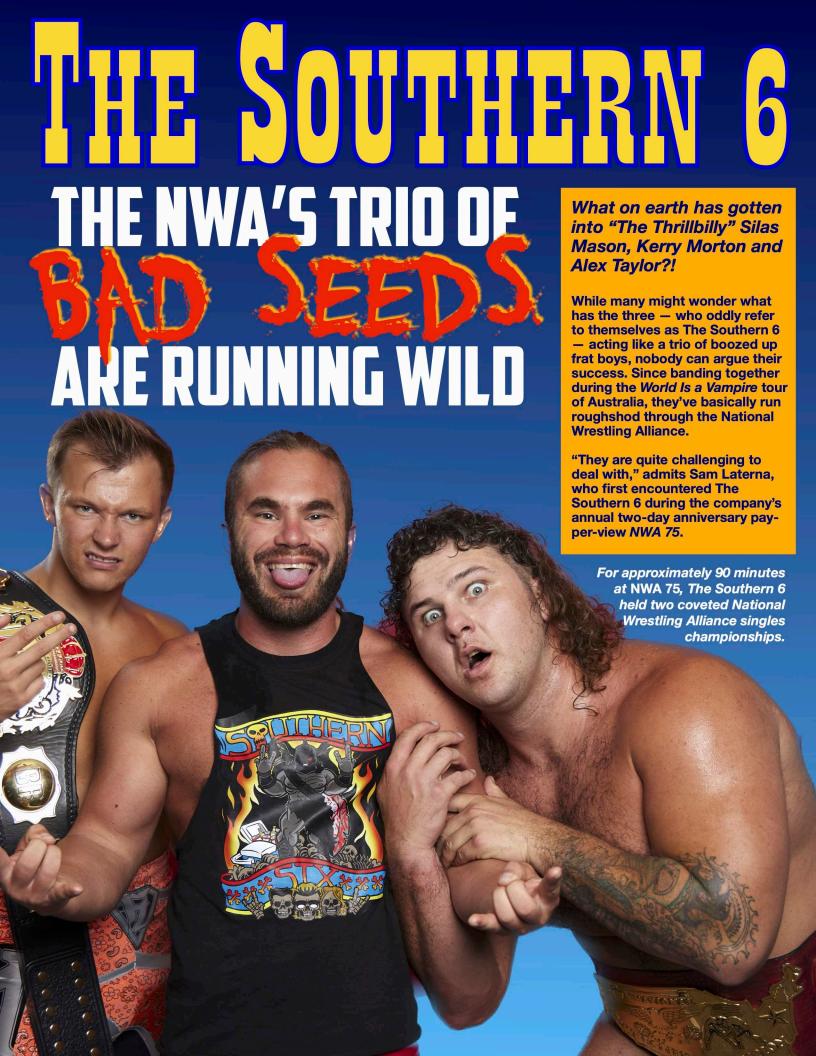
Anyone unfamiliar with Zicky Dice's reign as NWA World Television Champion, appearances on TVs worldwide and successes in promotions around the world need only ask. The arrogant competitor is only-too-happy to tell you.

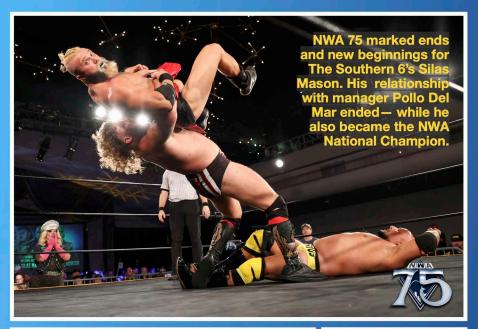
After leaving the NWA on less-than-glowing terms to seek greener pastures elsewhere, Dice is back — and has already made a splash. In fact, shortly after his surprising return in the Austin Idol National Title Battle Royal at NWA 75, the well-traveled grappler made it all the way to the finals of a recent tournament to crown a new TV champion.

Unfortunately for Zicky, a second run with the gold wasn't in the cards — at least not that night. Instead "Big Strong" MIMS proved to be the better man, *finally* winning the coveted title.

Afterward, Dice vowed the loss was *not* the end of his story. What that means for "The Outlandish One" and the National Wrestling Alliance is anyone's guess. However, never put it past the wily competitor to have additional tricks up his sleeves.













At NWA 75, The Southern 6 briefly held two of the National Wrestling Alliance championships (Left). On night one of the two-day event, only hours after "The Thrillbilly" Silas Mason became National Heavyweight champion (top) Colby Corino ended Kerry Morton's reign as NWA World's Junior Heavyweight Champion (Above Right). Since the pay-per-view, the trouble-making trio has remained dominant. The Southern Six have racked up six-man victories over teams like The Fixers and **Matt Vine on NWA** Powerrr.

"As a group, they are loud, over-bearing — even obnoxious — and extremely cocky," stated the backstage interviewer. "With that said, I can't help admire how focused and determined they are to be the future of the NWA."

Their collective aspirations have merit. When The Southern 6 joined forces, Morton was the NWA World Junior Heavyweight Champion, Mason was a top contender to the National title and Taylor a free agent after an unproductive partnership with Jeremiah Plunkett.

Now the NWA landscape has changed dramatically, with The Southern 6 bubbling even closer to the top. While Morton was upended for his title by Colby Corino, "The Thrillbilly" is the newly-minted National Champion and Taylor's on a winning streak as "The American Gigolo."

"I don't care how successful they are; I have nothing positive to say about The Southern 6," gripes Pollo Del Mar for obvious reasons.

At NWA 75, the ever-colorful personality led Mason into a triple-threat against Kratos and Odinson for the National title. Though the Blount Co. Tennessee native walked out with the gold, he definitively broke ties that night with his long-time manager and love interest — delivering his devastating "Thrill Ride" finisher to her and celebrating victory with his Southern 6 brethren after.

"Silas is somebody entirely different than the man I joined NWA with a year ago, and I blame Kerry Morton," Del Mar says. "Those three are absolutely disgusting together — and I can't wait for someone to knock The Southern 6 all off their high horses!"

While undoubtedly others could feel the same way, it's not yet clear who might be up for the challenge. Thus far, setbacks like Morton's title loss aside, they have dominated all comers.

"You haven't even seen the beginning of what's ahead for The Southern 6," boasts Morton, who appears to be the faction's de facto leader.

"Colby Corino will only be Junior Heavyweight champion until I decide to take it back," Morton continued, "Or maybe AT [Alex Taylor] will take that belt, and I'll focus on the Ten Pounds of Gold. Who knows? There's no stopping The Southern 6!"

"We've put the whole NWA on notice!" Mason agrees. "This is Southern 6 country now, and nobody better forget it!"

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