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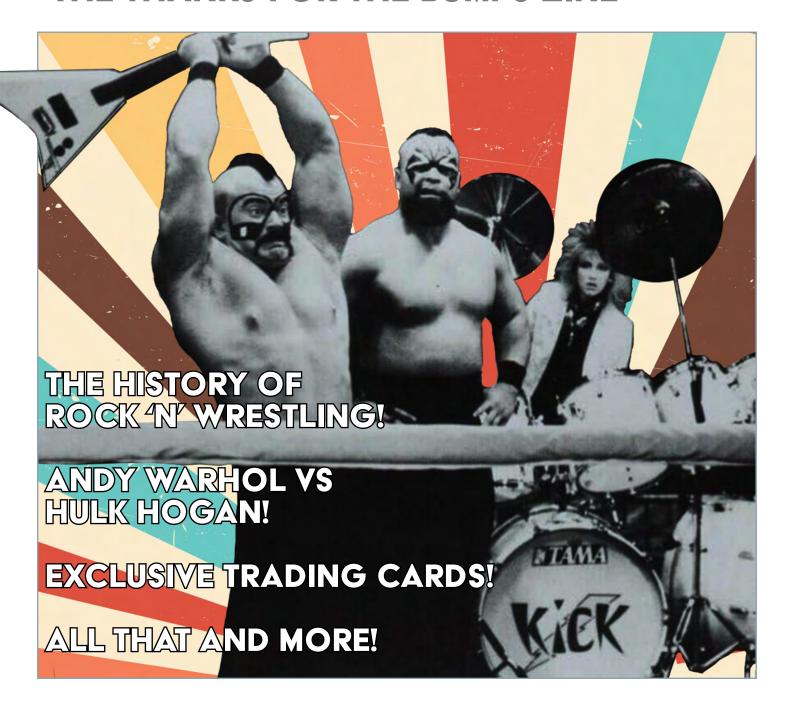
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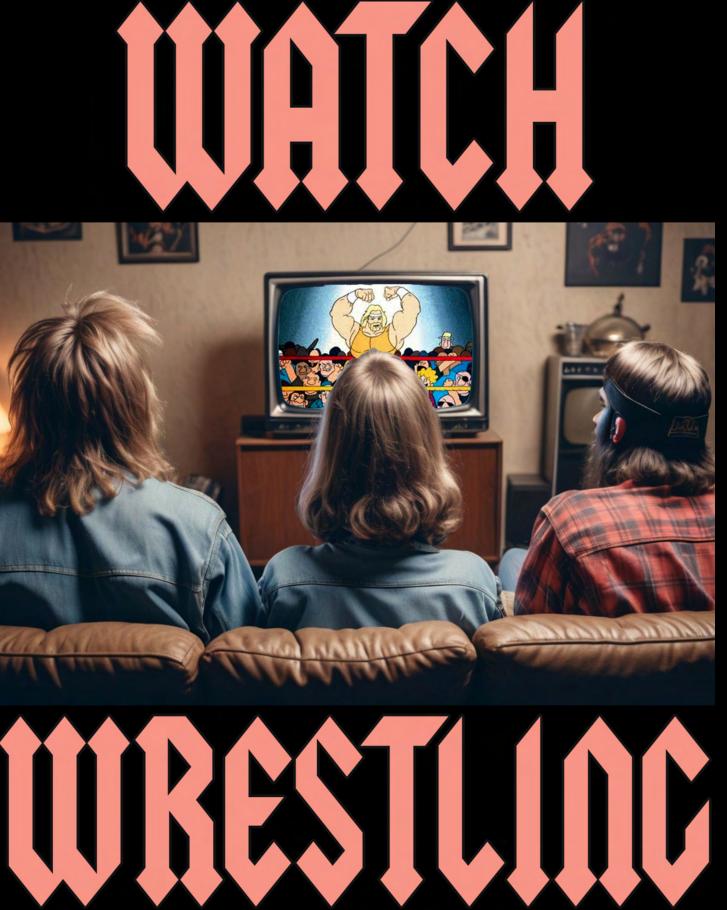
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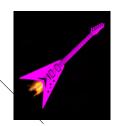


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The World's Only Wrestling Magazine Copyright 2024 What up? E-I-C Quick Rick coming at you live from the Northeast Regional Health & Fitness Expo hosted in beautiful downtown Rockaway Beach. I'll admit that I'm a little scattered right now in the brain department because I've had about 12 cans of Jacked Juice ("the juice that jacks you up!") in the last three hours. What can I say? They're the main sponsor and the cans are free. The recommended daily allowance is half a can, but I'm sure it'll be fine--it's not like a lot of B6, B12, ginseng, caffeine, alkalized cocoa powder, aurine, guarana, and wormwood ever hurt anyone, right? Right. Anyway, I'm supposed to make a speech in about 15 minutes about the importance of nutrition to one's training regimen that I haven't even written one word of yet. Whatever. I'll just get out there, chug another JJ, flex my 'ceps, yell a few catch phrases, flex the 'ceps again, mention that my favorite vegetable is carrots, and then get the heck out of there.

So let's make this intro like my name: quick. This special issue is dedicated to the greatest phenomenon in the history of professional wrestling: the Rock 'N' Wrestling Connection. I say that not just because I was an integral part of the scene, but because it's true. Do you think we would have ever gotten to see an artist like Lady Gaga make it big if Rock 'N' Wrestling hadn't cleared the way first? Hell no. The TFTB crew have really put together something special in this issue of the world's ONLY wrestling magazine (a fact that is even more verified now than it was the last time I said it), including timelines, album recommendations, and more. Oh, and that request for information about Andy Warhol in the last issue paid major dividends. Stay tuned to this and future issues to learn the exciting, dangerous truth about his secret history in the wrestling world.

 $Because there's so \ much top-shelf content here, we told our normal sponsors to hit the 'pause' button for this issue. \\$

Well, in terms of ads. We still asked them

to donate (i.e. give) as much money as they could to us. But you won't see the usual number of ads this time, save for one about the IGPWF. Instead, we're passing the savings on to you in the form of multiple high-quality pics that are suitable for cutting out and hanging up on your wall. Uh, you're welcome! Alright, I hear them calling my name, time to get

THE FRONT OFFICE

A few words from Rick Roberts, our honorary Editor in Chief

busy speechifying. LET'S DO THIS! Enjoy

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Rick Roberts

Editor in Chief (apparently)

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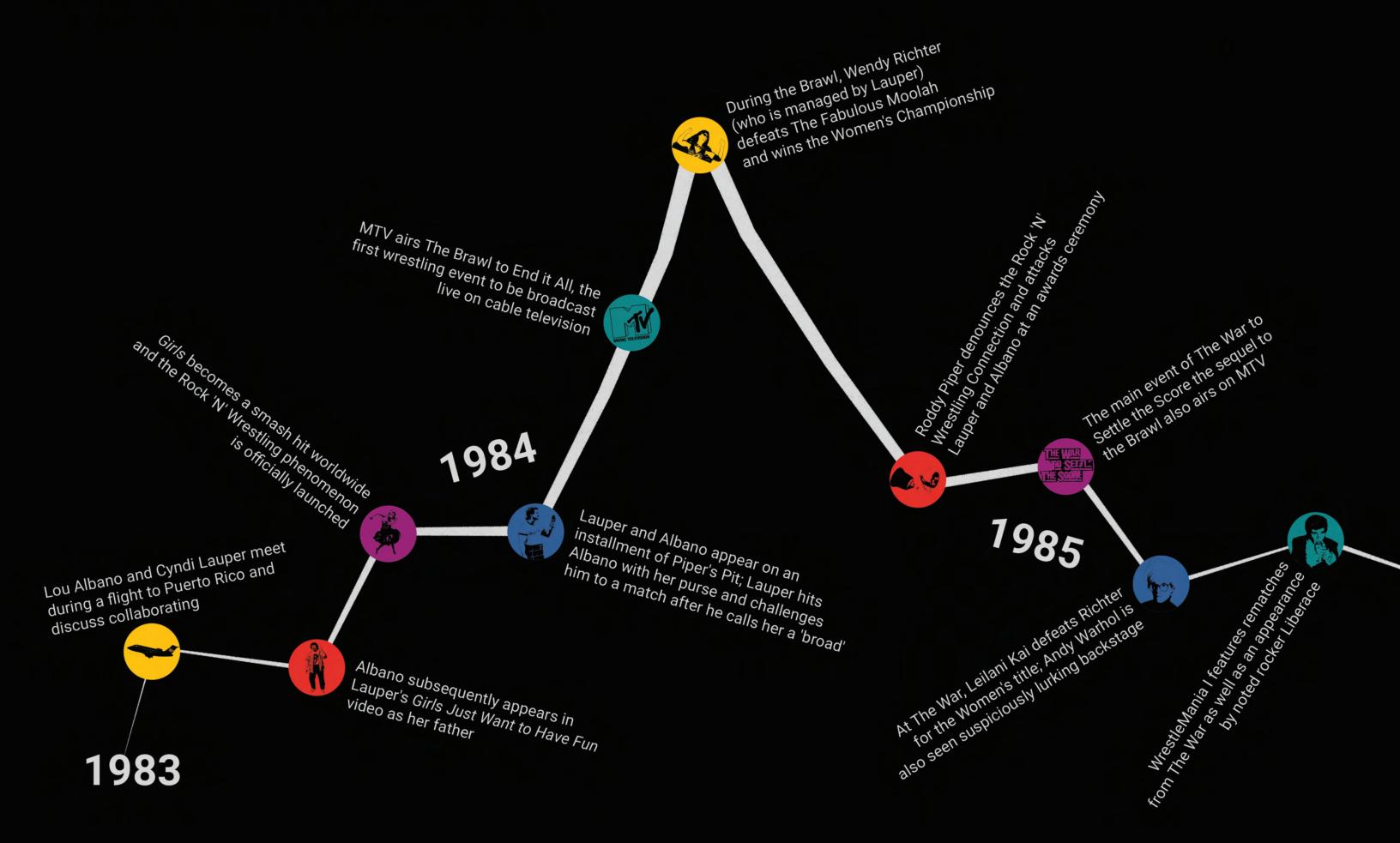
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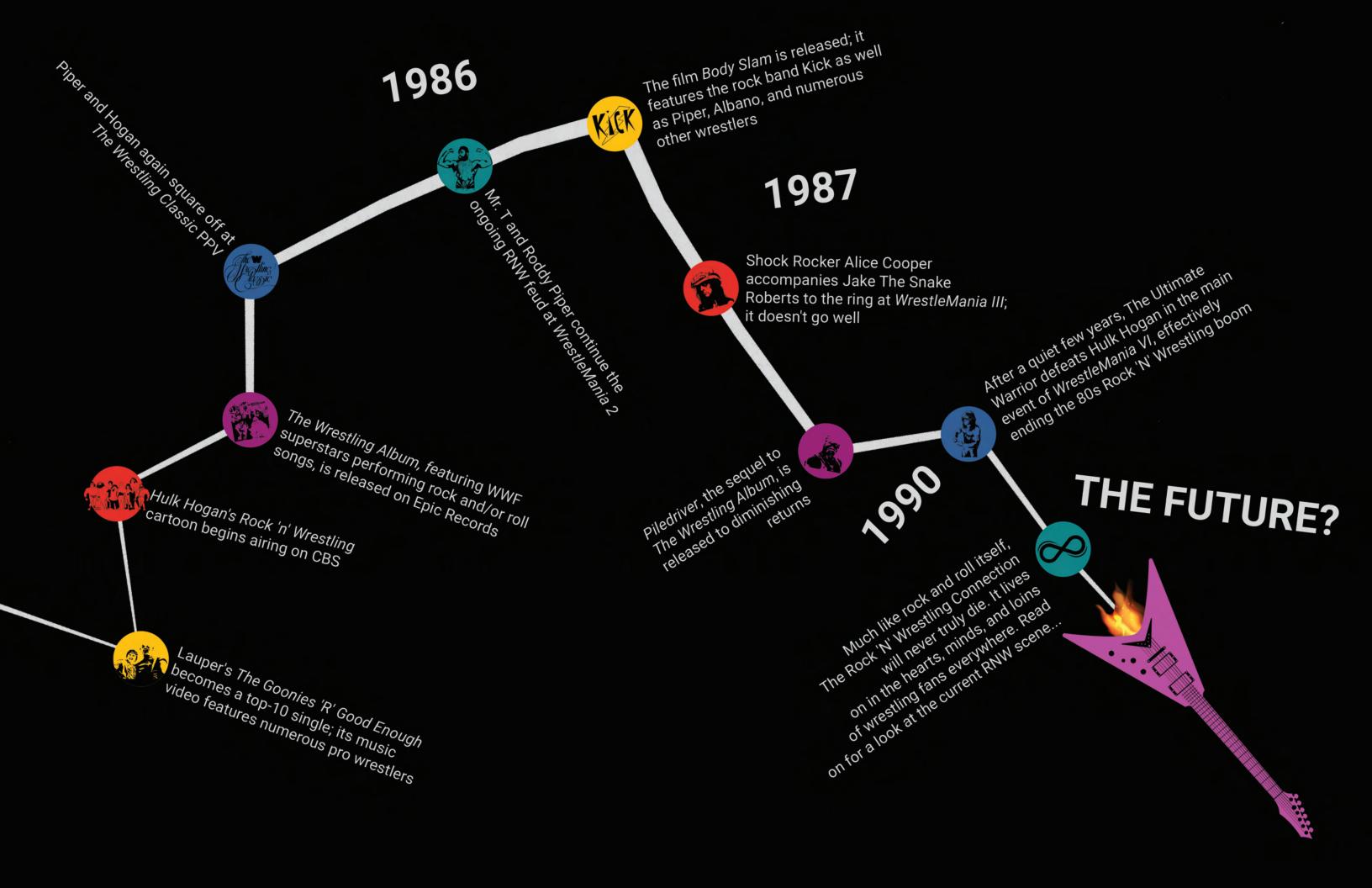




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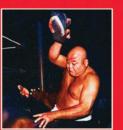
THE ROCK 'N' WRESTLING CONNECTION







TOJO YAMAMOTO



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TOJO YAMAMOTO - 山本東条 [2023]

Grimy "new wave noise rock" that worships at the altar of Killing Joke and old school Memphis wrestling, featuring members of ZZ Top among others (seriously).

Recommended Track: The Mongolian Stomper

HELLWIGS - Blood and Guts [2024]

These UK wrestlepunks are TFTB-faves and they are in top form with their third EP in as many years. The songs are all killer and the band continues to have the best album art in the wrestlerock game.

Recommended Track: You're Fired!

WRESTLEMANIACS - Still Real To Us [2022]

The self-described Kings of Catch'n'Roll bring the thunder on this 2022 EP. As a bonus, their Bandcamp page features a set of trading cards and buttons that are rad as hell.

Recommended Track: Choose Death

ATOMIC DROP - Mid-Card Purgatory [2020]

This is astoundingly a one-man DIY project that pays tribute to the glories of wrestling with a pile of shredding thrash metal tunes.

Recommended Track: The whole album slays, but if we have to pick just one song it's got to be Harley Race.

VONERICHS - First Blood Match [2021]

Mom's Basement Records puts out a lot of great releases and this wrestling-centric record spun off from horror punk maniacs The Jasons is no exception. We recommend grabbing this on vinyl if you can find it, although don't be disappointed if your copy doesn't actually contain a real razorblade.

Recommended Track: Smasher Gave Me The Ax (When Crush Started Coming Around)

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WrestleRock '86 Wrebook

In an attempt to compete with the WWF's exploding Rock 'N' Wrestling popularity in the mid-80s, the American Wrestling Association held a supercard event at the Metrodome in Minneapolis in April of 1986. While WrestleRock, as it came to be known, was a reasonable financial success, the overall feeling was that it was a rather disappointing show, and it would prove to be the final stadium-sized event for the AWA. The main problem? While the card featured an all-star lineup of wrestling talent, there was no music involved save a guest appearance by Waylon Jennings. If you call an event 'WrestleRock' you can't have just wrestling on the bill, especially if you're trying to compete with the RNW phenomenon! Devoted followers of TFTB know that we have an ongoing partnership with the Intergalactic Professional Wrestling Federation, and one of their specialties is of course travelling through time and rebooking past wrestling events to make them suck less. We asked the ever-deranged Commissioner of the IGPWF to head back to 86 and rebook the whole bill using only musical talent popular at the time in order to make it ROCK! We also kept Waylon Jennings around too, for continuity purposes. The lineup and official event poster on the following pages speak for themselves. When it's through, you won't be able to mumble. Hit the TFTB YouTube page for more IGPWF action!

THE PSYCHOTIC TURNBUCKLES - Destroy Dull City [2013]

Slamming psycho rock from down under, The Psychotic Turnbuckles had an initial run of rock and roll destruction in the 80s before relocating to the US following an unfortunate series of events with the infamous promoter Sammy Duke, and they eventually broke up in the 90s. You can't keep a champ down though, and the band reformed in 2012 and are still playing sporadic shows.

Recommended Track: Rock n Roll Wrestling

POWERBOMB - No Mercy [2019]

The band describes themselves as the "GREATEST pro-wrestling inspired hardcore/punk band with screamo influences from the greater toronto area OF ALL TIME," and we do not disagree one bit.

Recommended Track: The Man

ULTRAMANTIS BLACK - Feed the Soil with Revenge [2023]

The only act on this list who is actually also a professional wrestler, UltraMantis Black brings us powerviolence from parts unknown. It would be awesome to travel back in time and sneak one of these tunes onto *The Wrestling Album*.

Recommended Track: By Force

JAY RHYMES - Extreme Charismatic Wiseguy [2024]

The lone hip-hop entry on our list, this EP is a salute to the legends of ECW. Rhymes puts it better than I ever could: "This is what Hip-Hop would sound like straight out of the locker room in Viking Hall as the soundtrack for ECW."

Recommended Track: A Matter of Respect (with Nino Lucania)

THE WWE SUPERSTARS - Cenacore: No Chance In Hell [2019]

This "open collaborative wrestling-themed" details Cena's journey through hell following his death at the hands of Charles Barkley. What will happen when the king of hell, Vince McMahon, offers him a return to life if he can win the Wrestlemania: No Chance in Hell Tournament? You'll have to listen to find out.

Recommended Track: This release features OVER 100 TRACKS! Just hit play and let the experience wash over you.



WRESTEROCK WREBOOK

OFFICIAL IGPWF COMMISSIONER'S LINE-UP CARD



Boris Zukhov vs Rudolf Schenker
Western Liberal Democracy vs Soviet Communism Match

Little Mr. T & Lord Littlebrook
vs ALF & Howard the Duck with Small Wonder
'Loser Leaves the Planet' Tag Team Match

Colonel DeBeers vs King Diamond 'Blood Diamond' Singles Match

Buddy Rose & Doug Somers
vs The Midnight Rockers
The only match from the original card to
remain unchanged!

Tiger Mask vs Two Boomboxes
'Mix Tape' Handicap Match

Mike Rotunda vs Willie Nelson 'Farm Aid Rules' Singles Match

The Battle of the Giants!

Giant Baba vs Giant (the band)

One-On-Four Handicap Match

Rick Martel vs Loverboy
'Lovin' Every Minute of It' HandiCanadian
Submission Match

Sherri Martel vs The Best Backing Bands of the 80s
Battle Royal

Sgt. Slaughter vs Kane Roberts
Singles Match for the Mr. USA Championship

The Allman Brothers Band vs The Long Ryders
'Midnight Rider' Tag Team Match

Chuck Berry vs Gibby Haynes 'Midwest vs Texas' Singles Match

Bruiser Brody & Ronnie James Dio vs Jimmy Snuka & Ozzy Osbroune 'Black Sabbath Supremacy' Steel Cage Match

Verne Gagne vs Rod Argent
'Make Us Stop' Steel Cage
Double Forced-Retirement Match

The Road Warriors vs Slayer 'Raining Blood' Tag Team Match

Waylon Jennings
Main Musical Attraction

YOU GOTTA FIGHT FOR YOUR RIGHT...TO WRESTLE





"I'M SMARTER THAN THE COMMISH!"



BIGFOOT!



TROG!



THE MULKEYS!



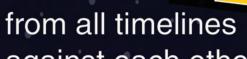
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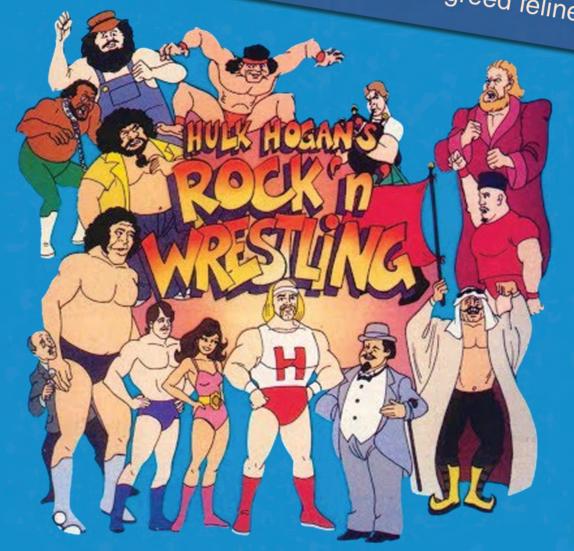
The Lost Third Season

The WWF's one and (so-far) only foray into syndicated animation during the screening, we present to you what we can remember of the titles and plots from these episodes, in order to see that what

THE LOST THIRD SEASON

Episode 1 - Catmandon't

After coming down with a severe case of writer's block while working on his autobiography, Junkyard Dog attempts to "get outside his head" by assuming a fake identity as a licensed cat-hair stylist; he is subsequently sued by The Cat Fanciers' Association after he shaves bald several pedigreed felines.



Episode 2 - Nuclear Reactions of the Heart Nikolai Volkoff is accused of high treason by the Supreme Soviet of the USSR after going on a blind date at Chuck E. Cheese with an American Nobel Prize-winning physicist.

Episode 3 - Hillbilly Blues

Nervous about having to give a toast at his cousin's wedding, Hillbilly Jim travels to a sacred temple in Tibet to get joke advice from the oldest man in the world. Meanwhile, through a convoluted series of mishaps and coincidences, The Iron Sheik is elected mayor

Episode 4 - The Not-So-Sweet Smell of Success Bobby 'The Brain' Heenan vows not to bathe for

an entire year in order to win a bet with Tito Santana that he can't do it. The situation becomes complicated when he falls in love with a female Elvis impersonator and must choose between love and money.

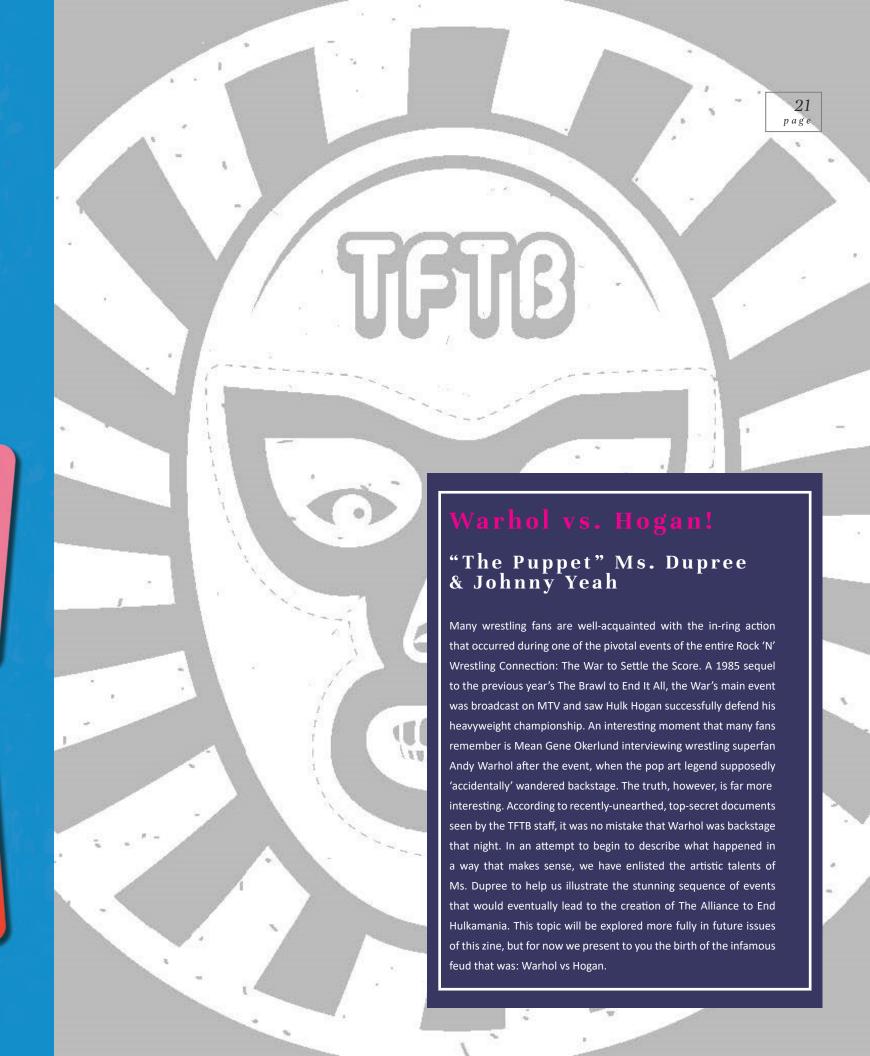
Episode 5 - Revolutionaries Just Want to Have Fun Mr. Fuji becomes enraged and attacks a local crafting convention after Andre the Giant refuses to join his sewing circle. Meanwhile, Wendy Richter joins an underground militia and attempts to overthrow the government of Albania.

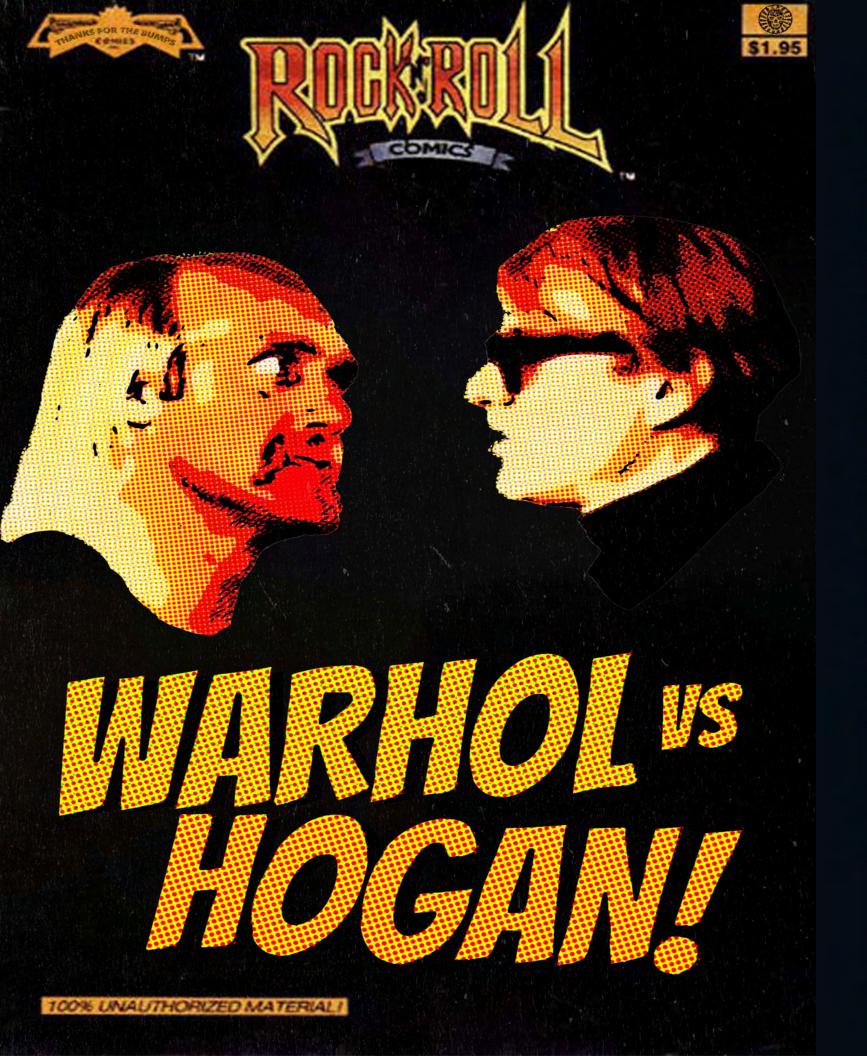
Episode 6 - The Taste of Justice

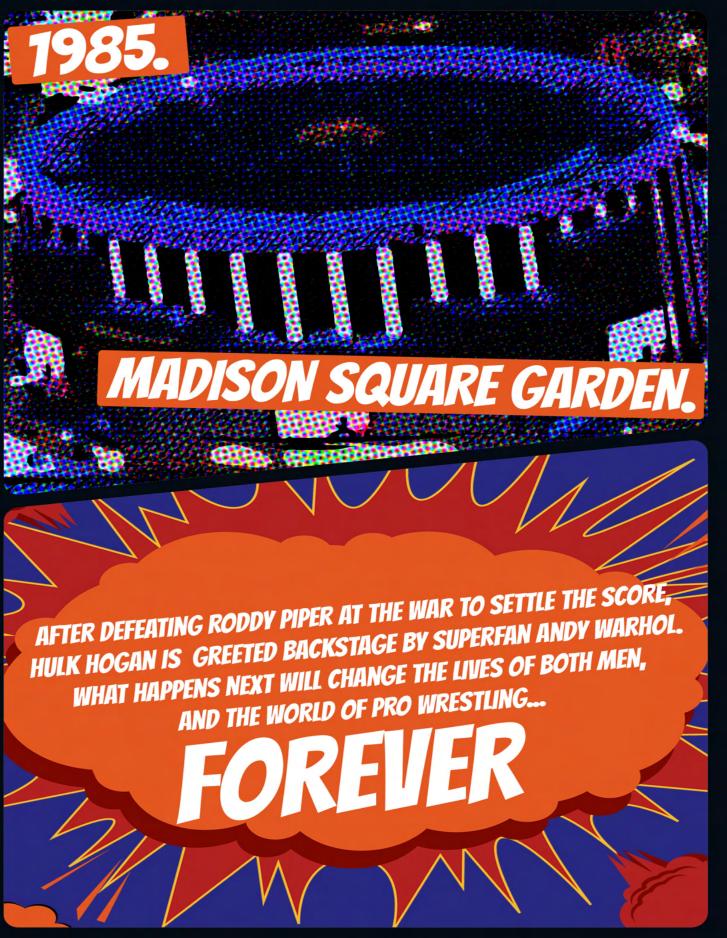
Captain Lou Albano enrolls in the local police academy in order to "actually become a Captain" and inadvertently solves a ten-year-old double-homicide cold case while trying to find the academy's vending

Episode 7 - A Titanic Trip

While on a fishing trip to Lake Burton GA, Hulk Hogan meets and befriends Bertie, a legendary cryptid who lives in the depths of the lake. They eventually form a tag team and challenge The British Bulldogs for their tag titles at WrestleMania 2.

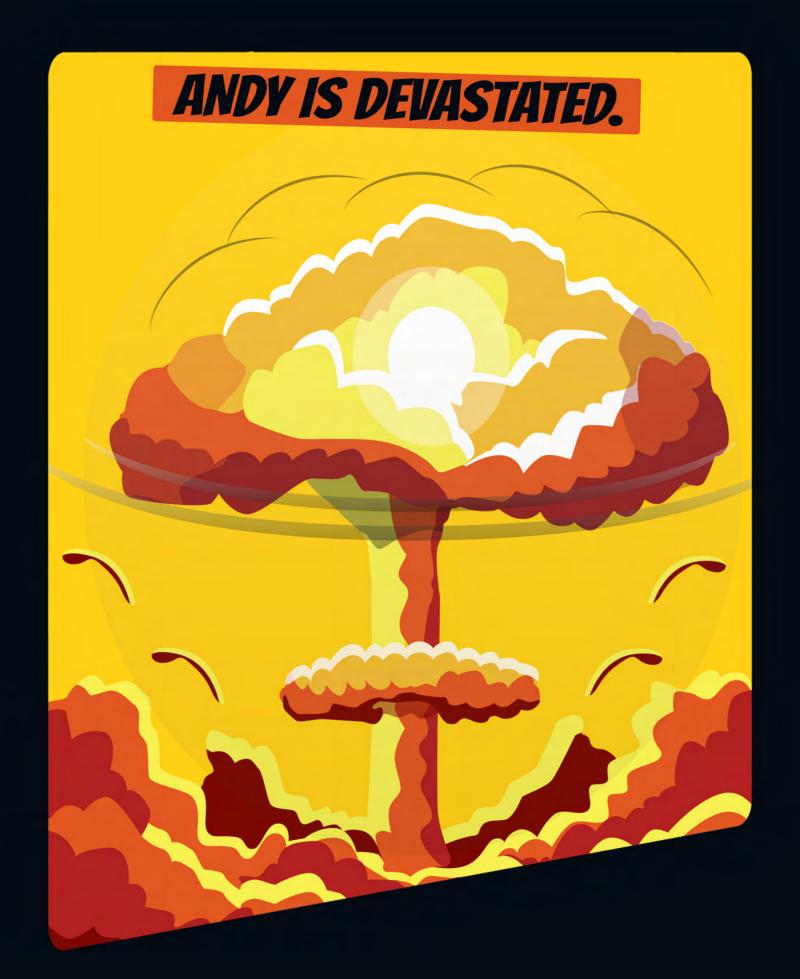






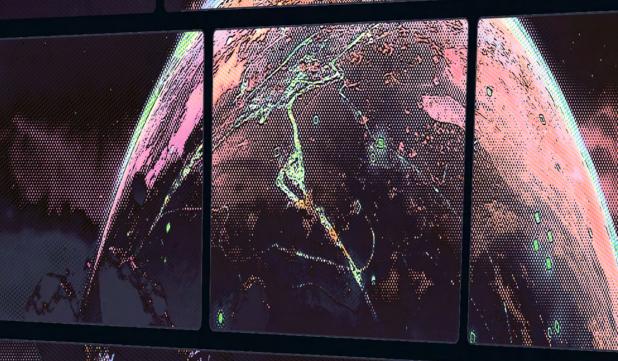






SUDDENLY, A GLOBE-SPANNING IDEA OF PURE EVIL OCCURS TO WARHOL...HOGAN WILL RUE THE DAY HE SPURNED THE BOA...







FORCOTTEN LECENDS OF WRESTLING



The only person to ever guide talent to both a Grammy win and a tag-team championship, M. Harry Smilac was one of the top managers of the 80's. After a successful run in the music business handling acts such as Kick, Smilac transitioned to the wrestling game and had stunning success with a roster of clients that included Quick Rick Roberts and Tonga Tom. Many credit Smilac with creating the very concept of Rock 'N' Wrestling, as he was the first promoter to book hybrid rock shows/wrestling matches. Known to be able to make a deal with anyone, it should be noted that the much-publicized rumor that he once sold his mother for a dollar is unfounded. It was actually for one *Canadian dollar*, which was worth \$1.39 US at the time. After being featured in the celebrated documentary **Body Slam**, Smilac seemed to succumb to the pressures of success and he withdrew from the limelight; his current whereabouts are unknown. But the innovator of "Rhythm & Bruise" lives on in the hearts and minds of anyone who celebrates rocking, wrestling, and Rock 'N' Wrestling.

KICK!, one of Harry Smilac's top clients, haven't been heard from for quite some time. To fill the gap, we asked ChatGPT to help us write lyrics for a new single from the LA rockers. The results speak for themselves.

KEEP UP THE FIGHT!

IN THE RING WE STAND TALL AND PROUD,
WARRIORS BEFORE A RAGING CROWD
MUSCLES FLEXED, SPIRITS HIGH,
THE FIRES OF FREEDOM BURN IN OUR EYES

WE'RE THE SONS OF ROCK, THE DAUGHTERS OF ROLL, WE BATTLE ALL NIGHT, AND WE TAKE CONTROL WE HAVE THE POWER IN OUR MINDS AND OUR HANDS WE ARE THE ULTIMATE WRESTLE ROCK BAND!

WE'RE THE KINGS OF THE STAGE, THE LORDS OF THE FIGHT,
WITH THE STRENGTH OF THE CROWD, WE'RE ABOUT TO IGNITE
FROM THE HEARTLAND TO THE CITY LIGHTS,
WE NEVER BACK DOWN, WE KEEP UP THE FIGHT!

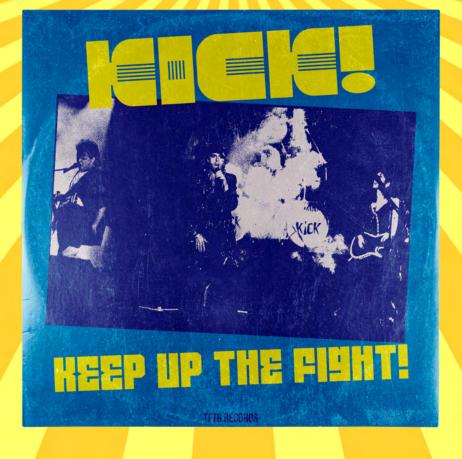
WITH THE ROAR OF THE CROWD WE FEEL ALIVE,
AS WE BATTLE ON, WE NEVER SAY DIE
THROUGH THE BLOOD, SWEAT, AND TEARS WE'VE SHED,
WE ROCK AND WE ROLL, AND ALWAYS MOVE AHEAD

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THROUGH THE BLOOD, SWEAT, AND TEARS WE'VE SHED,
WE'LL ROCK AND WE ROLL, AND ALWAYS MOVE AHEAD.

FROM THE NEON LIGHTS TO THE STAR-SPANGLED SKY,
WE'LL RAISE OUR FISTS, LET OUR SPIRITS FLY
WITH OUR ANTHEMS PLAYING LOUD AND CLEAR,
WE'LL STAND TOGETHER, WITHOUT ANY FEAR

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INCARNATE POWER, ROARING FROM THE SKY WHILE OTHERS COWER, ROCK AIN'T GONNA DIE