



EG ROYAL CARIBBEAN

Somewhere in the Caribbean, a cruise ship is cruising along, as cruise ships will do, but this particular ship is eerily quiet. The captain is on deck, holding a microphone. In front of him is a large crowd, growing increasingly restless but remaining silent. Behind him is an enormous wrestling ring containing a wide assortment of both athletes and “athletes,” all of whom are hoping to get their hands on an as-yet-undisclosed amount of prize money. The captain clears his throat, then glances at a woman in the front row who is partially hidden behind a laptop screen.

Captain: “Uh, Miss Kimberly?”

The woman holds up an index finger, and continues typing with her other hand. Sensing the impatience of the passengers, the captain makes an executive decision, as captains will do.

Captain: “Ladies and gentlemen, I now present to you Mr. Johnny B!”

The audience erupts as Johnny B, who has been hiding among the wrestlers in the ring (and is the only confirmed athlete in quotes), suddenly appears and takes the mic from the captain.

Johnny B: “Welcome, one and all, to EG Royal Caribbean! The massive ring you see before you on the even more massive cruise ship you see beneath you currently holds, uh, a massive 75 wrestlers from the BBL, DKW, EPW, GPLL, and QQW. At the end of the night, only one of them will be receiving a massive \$150 in EG credit, along with the 2021 EG Caribbean Championship belt!”

Kim runs over to Johnny and hands him a thesaurus. It’s travel-size — so, not massive. A travel-size group of sweaty people in business suits approaches, whispers something to Johnny, then returns to their seats.

Johnny B: “I know we’ve all been waiting for the excitement to begin, and I’ve just been informed that we’ve nearly sailed far enough into international waters for our attorneys and insurance agents to give this unprecedented battle royal the green light! The action will commence in 15... 14...”

Suddenly, the cruise ship lurches forward as the engines kick into high gear. The captain races off to determine who will be peeling potatoes for the rest of the cruise, as Johnny tries to estimate a new timeline for reaching the green light zone.

Johnny B: “Uh, 8... 7...”

He pauses to double check his math, then sees Kimberly holding up an outstretched hand.

Johnny B: “5... 4...”

Still unsure, he again glances at Kimberly, at which point an infuriated Jerrad Syn growls, “Let’s go, already!”

Johnny B: “2... 1... BEGIN!!!”

Chaos ensues, with three-quarters of a hundred grapplers squaring off in a not-really-massive, mildly enclosed space. Things heat up as QQW's Huntress gets Duff Doogan hunched over the ropes, setting him up for EPIC/AoS: Tabitha Pecadora (QQW) to deliver a flying dropkick, but Duff rolls to the side, sending Tabitha off to Dreamerland. EPIC/AoS: Winry Rockwell (DKW) doesn't fare much better, as Hazrat notices she's distracted by her fallen classmate and uses the opportunity to suplex her out of the ring. EPIC/YmY: Lemon Drop (DKW) finds herself bounced out at the hands of a greed-stricken EPIC/YmY: Whiskey Sour (EPW), whose betrayal meets with swift justice from stablemates Apple Blossom and Strawberry Daiquiri. EPIC/UD: "The Ideal Choice" Levi Dante (GPLL) joins Tabitha Pecadora in Dreamland, the victim of a monkey flip performed by, oddly enough, Joe Exotic.

Blackjack Betty and Bowen Bolek seemingly form a tenuous partnership based on nothing stronger than shared initials, but it's enough to send EPIC/QR: "Shining Marvel" Satomi Tokido (GPLL) spiraling onto the apron; she decides to make figurative lemonade, and begins leading several audience members in a makeshift conga line. The next elimination occurs when PPA/ORDER: Mr. Smith (BBL) finds himself on the receiving end of Rex Viper's bodyslam. LPPF: Murderous Nigel Bloodstone (EPW) comes face-to-face with The Kawaii Experience; moments later, he comes face-to-face with a very rude middle-aged man in the front row. A few moments after that, Nigel's glare changes the man's demeanor from rude to apologetic. SOS/I: Solosolo Pondo (QQW) is trading blows with Cpl. Punishment when Izzo the Terrible takes advantage of her momentary tunnel vision and chokeslams her onto the deck. Skad the Impaler and EPIC/TC: "Perfect Crime" Drago Tanaka (DKW) have locked hands in the corner of the ring, but Heather Zastempowski's flying dropkick ends both the power struggle and Drago's chances at gold.

EPIC: "The Acclaimed" Kai Kenmochi (DKW) had been taking on both Kamikaze Kabuki Dragon and Khan, but when stablemate Morpheus shows up behind him with a life preserver, he ends up rolling in the aisle — literally.

JGC improves his odds by eliminating EPIC/UD: “The Final Chapter” Rex Viper (GPLL) with a perfectly executed catapult. HORDE: Skad the Impaler (QQW) leaves the ring in-between the ropes, the result of a flying bulldog delivered by Misa Tanaka. Lady Agnis uses a monkey flip to send EPIC/TKE: “Cosmo Cutie” Evie Takahashi (DKW) out of the ring and out of the contest. EPIC/TKE: “Small Monster” Mao Kanzaki (DKW) encounters Pork Rind and War Pig, and without anyone nearby to protect her, she soon finds herself joining Satomi Tokido’s conga line.

After narrowly escaping defeat at the start of the event, EPIC: Duff Doogan (GPLL) discovers his luck has finally run out when Maxwell Grantwood hurls him over the top rope. EPIC/TFTA: “Soaring Speed Fairy” Misa Tanaka (DKW) gets double-catapulted into the nearby swimming pool by Bloodshed; she drowns her sorrows at the swim-up bar. EPIC/GRSF: Jungle Power!!! (QQW) locks horns with Jeannie Briggs, but gets overhead tossed onto the apron. A chokeslam at the hands of Seth Sturgis gives EPIC/TSP: “The One The Only” Noah Phoenix (DKW) an early end to the night. Noah heads to the cuisine table set-up for the stars to cope with his defeat. EPIC/3HDR: “Golden Standard” Sora Fukuda (EPW) has his hopes for the prize money dashed by Kenny Gunderson’s suplex.

PPA/ORDER: Cpl. Punishment (BBL) is the next casualty, thanks to the teamwork of Commander Ezaaze and Malison Bedlam. Matsuhara Makashi flings EPIC: “Kiss of Death” Kira (BBL) out of the ring; as she goes down, her arm knocks Kimberly’s laptop onto the deck of the ship, giving spectators an unauthorized preview of the next cover of Elite Gen Magazine. EPIC/TFTA: “Scarlet Assassin” Nova Suzuki (DKW) gets bodyslammed over the ropes by Zashiki Warashi, then joins Misa Tanaka at the swim-up bar. Timothy Zastempowski hurls EPIC/QR: “Bomber Girl” Kumiko Matsui (GPLL) onto a chair by the pool; thankfully, it wasn’t occupied. EPIC/TC: “Lionheart” Riku Matsuda (DKW) falls victim to a monkey flip delivered by Beans Hart and ends up crashing into the cuisine table, leaving stars in complete disappointment as their dinner for the night was now a complete mess.

The action continues as PPA/EPIC: Blackjack Betty (QQW) gets tossed onto the deck by Kamikaze Kabuki Dragon. Kendall Shortstacks pushes a fallen EPIC/TKE: “Sensual Star” Ayumi Matsuda (DKW) under the ropes with a flying headbutt. PPA/EPIC: Huntress (QQW) finds herself on the wrong end of JGC’s suplex. EPIC/TD: Dark Sky Tiger (BBL) faces off with Bodybag Clark, and gets bodyslammed outside the ring for her troubles. In possibly the most thrilling moment thus far, both ORDER: Hazrat (EPW) and DOD/ORDER: Heather Zastempowski (QQW) are simultaneously chokeslammed over the top rope by Morpheus and end up landing in the supplies closet!

LPPF: JGC (EPW) clashes with Saki Ishikawa, who uses a set of towels that ended up in the ring from the supplies closet to blind and eliminate him. Her stablemate, EPIC/UD: “The End Game” Rei Kenmochi (GPLL), is not so fortunate, as she collides with the paddles after being thrown out by War Pig. EPIC/TSP: “Once In A Lifetime” Daisy Kenmochi (DKW) is flipped over the ropes by Zashiki Warashi. PPA/ORDER: Pork Rind (BBL) gets catapulted out by the two remaining heads of the 3-Headed Death Riders, then they dispatch PPA/ORDER: War Pig (BBL) with double flying dropkicks! DOD/ORDER: Matsuhara Makashi (BBL) is out next, suplexed by Hillbilly Holly. Frustrated by their turn of events, the two Pig Protection Association members gang up on Makashi as they fight into a guest room, causing the guests inside to leave their room in complete terror.

Jeannie Briggs throws EPIC/QR: “The Event Known As” Saki Ishikawa (GPLL) between the ropes, and her perfect aim spells an untimely end to the conga line. EPIC/GRSF: “Spirit of Rock” Reina Fukuda (QQW) gets dropkicked onto the deck by Bowen Bolek. EPIC/3HDR: “Suicidal Nightmare” Darby Christopher (EPW) suffers the same fate, though his results from Timothy Zastempowski’s monkey flip. When ORDER: Timothy Zastempowski (GPLL) gets eliminated by a bodyslam from Dagger Wolfkill, he resumes his battle with Darby, and their fight continues into the ship’s ballroom; disappointingly, neither says, “Let’s dance.” EPIC/RNR: Hillbilly Holly (QQW) ends her night by being catapulted over the top rope at the hands of Maxwell Grantwood.

Stablemates ORDER: Izzo the Terrible (EPW) and DOD/ORDER: Spitfire Jeannie Briggs (QQW) team up to take out Jerrad Syn, but fellow Academy of Syn member Izzy Rhodes shows up to even the odds, and Izzo and Jeannie find themselves eliminated by simultaneous suplexes! The pair begins arguing outside the ring, which escalates to an all-out battle near the edge of the deck. Jeannie's surprise dropkick results in Izzo hanging onto the guard rail, with a remorseful Jeannie attempting to help him. As she tries to pull him up, he braces himself against the ship and pulls her over the edge along with him. She catches his foot on the way down, causing him to lose his grip, and they both go overboard! As fans race to the railing in horror, they see the duo treading water as the ship continues to pull away. A group of dorsal fins breaks the surface of the sea and surrounds the hapless wrestlers. Kim hands Johnny B a pair of binoculars, and he witnesses a pod of dolphins protecting the ORDER members from a great white shark. Izzo shocks the onlookers by climbing aboard the killer and taking off in pursuit of the cruise ship! The dolphins begin carrying Jeannie to the safety of a nearby island, which appears to be home to a small, lone structure. Adjusting the binoculars, Johnny can just barely make out the Starbucks logo.

Turning back toward the ring, Johnny sees SOS/I: Zashiki Warashi (QQW) flying at him, but after realizing that he should lower the binoculars, finds she's a safe distance away, shaking her fist at DOD/ORDER/LPPF: Bodybag Clark (GPLL), who was responsible for her elimination. She continues to engage him, yelling taunts and insults, while Beans Hart and Lady Agnis sneak up behind him to avenge her with matching flying dropkicks. VIRUS/FCOF: Kamikaze Kabuki Dragon (DKW) knocks over some poolside chairs after being monkey flipped out of the ring by Racer McKay. Khan, another of the Four Corners of Fire, bodyslams EPIC: "The Inspiration" Autumn Phoenix (BBL) onto the apron. EPIC: "The Psychopathic Slayer" Sakura Abe (BBL) becomes the victim of Malison Bedlam's flying bulldog.

The next wrestler to go is VIRUS/FCOF: Khan (DKW), who walks right into Nao Tokido's flying dropkick — payback for her recently ousted stablemate.

LPPF: Smacktastic Seth Sturgis (BBL) makes contact with the paddles after a savage catapult from Historia Tomori. Maxwell Grantwood hurls EPIC/QR: “Dark Heart” Miki Ishikawa (QQW) over the ropes, ending her chances at the title. EPIC/QHD: “The Finisher” Racer McKay (EPW) finds himself on the business end of Kenny Gunderson’s chokeslam. Kendall Shortstacks trips EPIC/QHD: “Showtime” Tommy Christopher (EPW) near the ropes, then delivers a dropkick that sends him onto the deck below. EPIC/QR: “Aerial Queen” Nao Tokido (QQW) loses her battle with Malison Bedlam, whose suplex proves to be too much to handle and results in her falling into one of the lifeboats located on the side of the ship.

EPIC: Joe Exotic “King of the Tigers” (BBL) gets hip tossed between the ropes by Izzy Rhodes. Frustrated by his elimination, Exotic starts a fight with the still stunned Racer McKay that results in the two brawling all the way down into the steam engine room! Shota Tokido uses a bodyslam to remove SOS/|: Beans “Hit Girl” Hart (QQW) from contention, but Morpheus appears as if from thin air and suplexes a bewildered EPIC/3HDR: “King of Riches” Shota Tokido (EPW) out of the ring and into a nearby volleyball net. EPIC: “Elegant Trendsetter” Saya Nakamura (QQW) is flipped over the top rope by The American Dream with such force that she flies over the railing, luckily she is saved by a very friendly whale. Strawberry Daiquiri catapults SOS/|: Lady Agnis (QQW) into the swimming pool, but she makes a graceful landing.

Suddenly, everyone freezes in place. A strange clanging sound emanating from the side of the ship begins to increase in volume. Then, a large hand reaches up and grabs onto the guard rail. The hand belongs to Izzo the Terrible, who climbs over the railing and begins walking toward his cabin. The only sounds on the ship are his wet, plodding footsteps and the rattling of his new shark tooth necklace.

Johnny B: “Okay, folks, show’s over! — Wait, I mean THAT show is over. The battle royal is still going, so get going!”

Making the most of the distraction, Apple Blossom, Strawberry Daiquiri, and Jerrad Syn use coordinated flying drop kicks to eliminate ORDER: Bowen Bolek (DKW), ORDER: “The Maniac Warrior” Kenny Gunderson (DKW), and DOD/ORDER: Vicious Timothy Clark (BBL) at the same time! The booted trio storms off to the captain’s quarters, breaks in the door, and helps themselves to his last three cigars. Back in the ring, EPIC/QHD: “The Uprising” Dagger Wolfkill (EPW) is busy getting thrown onto the deck by Maxwell Grantwood. Commander Ezaaze monkey flips EPIC/GRSF: “Voyage Princess” Historia Tomori (QQW) over the top rope.

Morpheus tosses LPPF: Kendall Shortstacks (DKW) out of the ring. EPIC/AoS: Izzy Rhodes (QQW) gets chokeslammed onto the apron by Malison Bedlam. SOS/|: Commander Ezaaze (QQW) lands in the front row after a vicious suplex from The American Dream. Maxwell Grantwood’s catapult sends EPIC/YmY: Apple Blossom (QQW) reeling into some unwitting seniors who chose a poor location for their game of shuffleboard. EPIC/AoS: Jerrad Syn (EPW) learns a lesson about cause and effect from Morpheus’s bodyslam.

With only five athletes remaining in the ring, and not a single quote mark in sight, Maxwell Grantwood sends PPA/EPIC: The American Dream (QQW) through the ropes with a flying bulldog, crushing the Pig Protection Association’s hopes of taking home the prize. SOS/|: Malison Bedlam (QQW) sees her chances fade after a brutal chokeslam from Morpheus has her landing on the deck of the ship. EPIC/YmY: Strawberry Daiquiri (GPLL) is forced to be content with third place after Maxwell Grantwood connects with a devastating suplex.

In the final moments, the crowd is on their feet, screaming and cheering for their favored grappler. Maxwell Grantwood sends Morpheus toward the ropes with an Irish whip, but Morpheus quickly grabs the top rope and holds tight, stopping his momentum. He stands with his back to Maxwell, his breathing heavy and labored. Maxwell runs against the opposite ropes, preparing to deliver a flying dropkick to his unsuspecting foe, but as he approaches, Morpheus dodges at the last possible second, causing LPPF: “The Great Stallion” Maxwell Grantwood (GPLL) to get tangled in the ropes. Morpheus seizes both the opportunity and Maxwell’s throat, and executes a showstopping chokeslam, to the delight of the crowd! Morpheus’s manager climbs into the ring and holds his champion’s arm high in the air. After several minutes of applause, Johnny B enters the ring with a microphone, an aluminum briefcase, and his travel-size thesaurus.

Johnny B: “The IWA proudly presents your 2021 EG Caribbean Champion, VIRUS/Luniz: ‘The Death Dealer’ Morpheus (GPLL)! As promised, his manager will receive a gargantuan \$150 in EG credit. Congratulations on this monumental achievement, Morpheus, and well done to you, as well, Chris Schmitt of Kansas!”

Chris reaches for the briefcase, but Johnny pulls it away from him.

Johnny B: “I said WILL receive! This is stuff I bought at the duty-free shop. Thank you to everyone who participated in this event. I hope you all had a blast! Enjoy the rest of the cruise!”



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28. PPA/EPIC: Huntress (QQW)
29. EPIC/TD: Dark Sky Tiger (BBL)

30. ORDER: Hazrat (EPW)
31. DOD/ORDER: Heather Zastempowski (QQW)
32. LPPF: JGC (EPW)
33. EPIC/UD: "The End Game" Rei Kenmochi (GPLL)
34. EPIC/TSP: "Once In A Lifetime" Daisy Kenmochi (DKW)
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- 70. EPIC/AoS: Jerrad Syn (EPW)
- 71. PPA/EPIC: The American Dream (QQW)
- 72. SOS/I: Malison Bedlam (QQW)
- 73. EPIC/YmY: Strawberry Daiquiri (GPLL)
- 74. LPPF: "The Great Stallion" Maxwell Grantwood (GPLL)

WINNER:

- 75. VIRUS/Luniz: 'The Death Dealer' Morpheus (GPLL)

Thank you to all the great players throughout EG for this great event!

Also a big giant thank you goes out to IWA for this amazing writeup! You went above and beyond!

We will do this again in 2022!!!

So, until then, save up and get ready for next year's cruise!!!

And big a huge congratulations goes out to Chris Schmitt for an amazing tour overall!

Morpheus is making quiet the statement in the GPLL and around EG!