

= Final Resolution ( 2006 ) =

Final Resolution ( 2006 ) was a professional wrestling pay @-@ per @-@ view ( PPV ) event produced by the Total Nonstop Action Wrestling ( TNA ) promotion that took place on January 15 , 2006 at the TNA Impact ! Zone in Orlando , Florida . It was the second event under the Final Resolution name and first event of the 2006 TNA PPV schedule . Nine professional wrestling matches and two pre @-@ show matches were featured on the event 's card , two of which were for championships .

The main event was a tag team match pitting the team of Christian Cage and Sting against the team of Jeff Jarrett and Monty Brown . The team of Cage and Sting won the encounter . The TNA X Division Championship was defended by Samoa Joe against Christopher Daniels at the event , which Joe won to retain the title . America 's Most Wanted ( Chris Harris and James Storm ) defeated Team 3D ( Brother Devon and Brother Ray ) to retain the NWA World Tag Team Championship at the show . On the undercard , Sean Waltman fought Raven in a No Disqualification match with the stipulation that if Raven lost , he would be fired from TNA . Waltman won the encounter , causing Raven to be fired from TNA in the storyline .

Final Resolution is remembered for the TNA debut of Sting , which was ranked as the 2nd greatest moment in the company 's history due to it marking Sting 's return to national television after five years . Bob Kapur of the professional wrestling section of the Canadian Online Explorer rated the show a 6 @. @ 5 out of 10 , lower than the ratings given to the 2005 and 2007 installments .

= = Production = =

= = = Background = = =

Total Nonstop Action Wrestling ( TNA ) announced in early October 2005 that their January PPV would once again be called Final Resolution , until they pulled this release from their website . TNA later reinstated this piece of information with the official date of the show being January 15 , 2006 at the TNA Impact Zone in Orlando , Florida . TNA created a section of their website to promote the event . A promotional poster for the show was released prior by TNA featuring Christopher Daniels and Samoa Joe . A thirty @-@ minute pre @-@ show was scheduled to take place prior to the telecast featuring two wrestling matches .

= = = Storylines = = =

Final Resolution featured nine professional wrestling matches and two pre @-@ show matches that involved different wrestlers from pre @-@ existing scripted feuds and storylines . Wrestlers portrayed villains , heroes , or less distinguishable characters in the scripted events that built tension and culminated in a wrestling match or series of matches .

The main event at Final Resolution was a Tag Team match pitting the team of Christian Cage and Sting against the team of Jeff Jarrett and Monty Brown . The background to this match began at TNA 's Genesis PPV event on November 13 , 2005 where Cage made his debut proclaiming he wanted to win the NWA World Heavyweight Championship held by Jarrett . TNA advertised a major announcement to take place at their previous PPV event Turning Point on December 11 , 2005 . The announcement was the acquisition of Sting as a newly signed wrestler to the TNA roster . Cage then went on to defeat Brown at Turning Point to become number @-@ one contender to the title . This match was announced on the December 31 , 2005 episode of TNA 's television program TNA Impact ! .

The TNA X Division Championship was defended at Final Resolution by then @-@ champion Samoa Joe against the challenger Christopher Daniels . This rivalry started at TNA 's Sacrifice PPV event on August 14 when Joe won the 2005 TNA Super X Cup Tournament to become number @-@ one contender to the TNA X Division Championship held by Daniels . Joe went on to compete

against A.J. Styles and Daniels in a Three Way match at TNA 's Unbreakable PPV event on September 11 , which Styles won to become the new champion . At Genesis , Joe and Daniels competed in a Four @-@ on @-@ Four Tag Team Elimination X match , which Joe and Daniels ' team won . After the bout , Joe attacked and injured Daniels , thus sidelining him in the storyline . Joe then went on to defeat Styles at Turning Point to become the new TNA X Division Champion . After their match , Joe attacked Styles and attempted to injure Styles in a manner similar to the way he injured Daniels . At this time Daniels returned from injury to save Styles from the attack . TNA promoted this match for Final Resolution on the January 7 , 2006 episode of Impact ! .

The NWA World Tag Team Championship was defended by then @-@ champions America 's Most Wanted ( Chris Harris and James Storm ; AMW ) against Team 3D ( Brother Devon and Brother Ray ) at the event . The storyline behind this match began on the October 8 , 2005 episode of Impact ! where AMW and Jeff Jarrett assaulted Team 3D to the point they were left covered in blood . Afterwards , Team 3D were not seen due to a scripted injury , with Jarrett , AMW , and Team Canada ( A @-@ 1 , Bobby Roode , Eric Young , Petey Williams , and Coach Scott D 'Amore ) hosting a segment where they buried Team 3D 's careers on the October 15 , 2005 episode of Impact ! . Team 3D made their return from injury at TNA 's Bound for Glory PPV event on October 23 , 2005 attacking Jarrett and AMW . At Genesis , Team 3D teamed with Rhino to defeat AMW and Jarrett in a Six Man Tag Team match . At Turning Point , Team 3D defeated AMW in a Tag Team Elimination Tables match . TNA advertised Team 3D versus AMW for the tag team championship to take place at the event .

Raven and NWA Championship Committee member Larry Zybysko were involved in a rivalry heading into Final Resolution . At Bound for Glory , Raven requested an NWA World Heavyweight Championship match but was denied by Zybysko . This led to Raven assaulting him before being ejected from the arena by security in the storyline . At Genesis , Zybysko offered Raven the chance to be released from his contract , as this was what Zybysko wanted in the storyline . Raven declined the offer and tried to attack Zybysko once again . Instead , Zybysko forced Raven to face P.J. Polaco in a match , which Raven won . This led to Turning Point where Raven once again declined an offer to be released . Zybysko then revealed Chris K as Raven 's opponent for the night ; Raven was victorious in the encounter . On the December 17 , 2005 episode of Impact ! , Zybysko announced that at Final Resolution Raven would have another opponent and if he won the bout then he gained a future NWA World Heavyweight Championship match .

= = Event = =

= = = Pre @-@ Show = = =

Prior to the airing of Final Resolution , TNA held a thirty @-@ minute pre @-@ show . During the broadcast , Team Canada ( A @-@ 1 , Eric Young , and Petey Williams ) faced the team of Jay Lethal , Kenny King , and Lance Hoyt in a Six Man Tag Team match that lasted 5 minutes and 54 seconds . Williams pinned Lethal after forcing Lethal head @-@ first into the mat with his signature Canadian Destroyer maneuver . Another contest was held , with The Latin American Exchange ( Homicide and Konnan ) defeating The Naturals ( Andy Douglas and Chase Stevens ) in 3 minutes and 50 seconds . Homicide pinned Stevens after Konnan hit Stevens with a slapjack .

= = = Miscellaneous = = =

Final Resolution featured employees other than the wrestlers involved in the matches . Mike Tenay and Don West were the commentators for the telecast . Jeremy Borash and David Penzer were the ring announcers for the event . Andrew Thomas , Rudy Charles , and Mark " Slick " Johnson participated as referees for the encounters . Shane Douglas handled the interview duties during the show . Besides employees who appeared in a wrestling role , Coach D 'Amore , Gail Kim , Simon Diamond , Traci , Shannon Moore , Larry Zybysko , and James Mitchell all appeared on camera ,

either in backstage or in ringside segments .

== Preliminary matches ==

The opening bout was a Six Man Tag Team match pitting the team of Alex Shelley , Austin Aries , and Roderick Strong against the team of Chris Sabin , Matt Bentley , and Sonjay Dutt . Traci accompanied Bentley to the ring . Shelley won the match for his team by using a small package pin on Bentley at 10 minutes and 32 seconds .

The James Gang ( Kip James and B.G. James ) fought The Diamonds in the Rough ( David Young and Elix Skipper ) next . Simon Diamond accompanied The Diamonds in the Rough to the ring . The duration of this contest was 7 minutes and 47 seconds . Kip pinned Skipper after a Missouri Boat Ride .

The third encounter was between A.J. Styles and Hiroshi Tanahashi , which lasted 11 minutes and 3 seconds . During the bout , Shannon Moore interfered trying to hit Styles with Styles ' Mr. TNA plague . Styles dodged the assault , causing Tanahashi to take the blow . Styles followed up by slamming Tanahashi face @-@ first into the mat with his signature Styles Clash maneuver and pinned him to win the bout .

Following the third match , Larry Zbysko revealed that Raven 's opponent for the night was Sean Waltman . The two then fought in a No Disqualification match with the stipulation that if Raven won he gained a future NWA World Heavyweight Championship match , but if he lost he would be fired from TNA . During the bout , the referee was knocked out with Zbyszko taking over his duties . Waltman won the contest after forcing Raven face @-@ first off of a ladder through a table with his signature X @-@ Factor maneuver . Zbyszko counted the pin despite Raven 's foot on the bottom rope at 10 minutes . As a result of his loss , Raven was fired from TNA in the storyline .

The following contest pitted Bobby Roode , who was accompanied by Coach D 'Amore , against Ron Killings . The duration of the match was 9 minutes and 53 seconds . Konnan interfered in the bout distracting Killings , which allowed Roode to sneak up behind Killings and hit him in the back of the head with Roode 's signature Northern Lariat maneuver .

The sixth encounter was between Abyss and Rhino , which lasted 9 minutes and 18 seconds . James Mitchell accompanied Abyss to the ring . Mitchell interfered in the contest by distracting the referee , allowing Abyss to bash Rhino with a steel chain . Abyss was the victor in the bout after slamming Rhino back @-@ first onto a steel chair with his signature Black Hole Slam maneuver .

== Main event matches ==

The NWA World Tag Team Championship was defended by America 's Most Wanted ( Chris Harris and James Storm ; AMW ) against Team 3D ( Brother Devon and Brother Ray ) next . Gail Kim accompanied AMW to the ring . Mid @-@ way through the bout , Team 3D performed their signature Whassup ? maneuver on Storm . Kim interfered in the bout , distracting the referee . Around this time , Devon retrieved a table from under the ring which both teams used as a weapon , however the referee did not disqualify anyone for the usage . AMW earned a near @-@ fall after a bearhug and a lariat combination on Ray . Team 3D followed with their own near @-@ fall on Harris , after they performed their signature Deadly Device maneuver on Storm . After this , Kim interfered trying to blow powder into Ray 's eyes , only for Ray to stop her and blow it back into her and the referee 's eyes . With the referee blinded , Team 3D performed their signature 3D maneuver on Harris and the referee counted the pin . Team Canada then attacked 3D , knocking out Ray in the process with a hockey stick . They placed Harris on top of Ray and left the ring . After the referee regained his vision , he declared AMW the victors at 12 minutes and 41 seconds .

Samoa Joe defended the TNA X Division Championship against Christopher Daniels in the eighth match of the show . Mid @-@ way through the contest , Joe avoided a moonsault by Daniels by casually walking away , a trademark action of his persona . Daniels earned a near @-@ fall after forcing Joe against the mat with a modified Death Valley Driver from the top of a padded turnbuckle . Joe followed up with his own near @-@ fall by slamming Daniels back @-@ first against the mat

from the turnbuckle with a powerbomb . Daniels then performed his signature Best Moonsault Ever maneuver , gaining another near @-@ fall . Their fight spilled to the ringside area where Joe positioned Daniels ' head against the guardrail and kicked it against the rail . This move resulted in Daniels bleeding from the forehead , which Joe targeted for the rest of the bout . At this time , A.J. Styles came down to the ringside area . Joe performed his signature Muscle Buster maneuver and followed up by attempting to place Daniels in his trademarked Coquina Clutch submission maneuver , which Daniels fought off . Joe then dropped Daniels from the top of a turnbuckle onto a chair and continued to target Daniels ' bleeding forehead . With Daniels unconscious in the storyline , A.J. Styles threw in the towel for Daniels to stop the match at 15 minutes and 30 seconds , resulting in Joe being declared the victor .

The main event was a tag team match pitting the team of Christian Cage and Sting against the team of Jeff Jarrett and Monty Brown . The duration of the encounter was 15 minutes and 35 seconds . Jarrett was accompanied by Gail Kim . Cage and Brown started the match before they both quickly tagged in their partners . Kim interfered by distracting the referee , allowing Jarrett to hit Cage in the groin and throw him to the ringside mat . Kim then assaulted Cage in the ringside area . After several minutes of Jarrett and Brown having the advantage over a beaten Cage , Sting was tagged into the match and placed Jarrett in his signature Scorpion Deathlock submission maneuver . Jarrett submitted to the maneuver , but the referee was unconscious . Team Canada then interfered in the bout , attacking Cage and Sting . Jarrett bashed Sting in the face with the NWA World Heavyweight Championship belt and covered for a near @-@ fall once the referee regained consciousness . Afterwards , Sting forced Jarrett 's head into the ring mat with his trademark Scorpion Death Drop maneuver and covered for the pinfall victory .

= = Reception = =

A total of 900 people attended Final Resolution . Canadian Online Explorer writer Bob Kapur rated the entire event a 6 @. @ 5 out of 10 , which was lower than the rating given to the 2005 installment . It was also lower than the 7 @. @ 5 out of 10 the 2007 event was given by Chris Sokol . The Final Resolution ranking was lower than Turning Point 's rating , which received a 7 out of 10 from Kapur . TNA 's next PPV event , Against All Odds , on February 12 , 2006 was also ranked higher than Final Resolution ; it received a rating of 7 out of 10 from Jason Clevett . Compared to rival World Wrestling Entertainment 's ( WWE ) Royal Rumble PPV event which took place the same month , Final Resolution was ranked lower as Royal Rumble was given a 7 out of 10 by Dale Plummer and Nick Tylwalk .

The highest rating given by Kapur to an individual match went to the TNA X Division Championship bout , with an 8 @. @ 5 out of 10 . The opening Six Man Tag Team match , the No Disqualification match , Bobby Roode versus Ron Killings , the NWA World Tag Team Championship match , and the main event all received a 7 out of 10 by Kapur in his review . Regarding the main event , Kapur said that " Sting looked good , but it remains to be seen if his return will be a turning point for the company in the long run . " Kapur commented on the X Division Championship match stating it was a " good match " that " reinforced Joe 's dominance , and left the door open for another match with either Daniels or Styles . " He thought the World Tag Team Championship bout had a " stupid ending " that " marred what was otherwise a good tag match . "

James Caldwell of the Pro Wrestling Torch Newsletter reviewed the show and stated that the debut of Sting " answered a few questions " but that Sting " wasn 't involved in the match long enough to see how he 'll hold up over twelve months . However , he surpassed initial expectations with a strong effort and good energy . It was an encouraging return to TNA . " He also commented on the match that the " effectiveness of the finish was hurt by the usual interference and shortcuts . " Caldwell discussed the X Division Championship bout by praising it as the " best story told in the ring tonight " but that it was " too short of a match for the featured X Division . " As for the No Disqualification match , Caldwell said that it " set up the next chapter of the story " and that the " hardcore aspect had a place on the card . "

TNA released a DVD counting down the top 50 moments in their history in 2007 , with Sting 's

debut at Final Resolution ranking at number 2 on the compilation .

= = Aftermath = =

Christian Cage and Jeff Jarrett continued their feud after Final Resolution . Since Cage had defeated Monty Brown at Turning Point to become number one contender he was in line for an NWA World Heavyweight Championship match . On the January 21 episode of Impact ! , Larry Zybysko revealed an open contract for a future title match at Against All Odds . On the January 28 episode of Impact ! , it was announced that Cage would face Jarrett for the NWA World Heavyweight Championship at Against All Odds . Cage defeated Jarrett to win the title at the event . He held the championship until TNA 's Slammiversary PPV event on June 18 when Jarrett won a King of the Mountain match for the title that also involved Cage , Sting , Abyss , and Ron Killings .

Sting signed a one @-@ year contract and appeared on the January 28 episode of Impact ! where he announced his scripted retirement . Sting did not appear in TNA until their Destination X PPV event on March 12 when he appeared after the main event to save Cage from an assault by America 's Most Wanted , Abyss , Alex Shelley , Team Canada , Jarrett , and Brown before being attacked himself by the debuting Scott Steiner . Sting then teamed with Styles , Killings and Rhino as part of a team referred to as Sting 's Warriors against Jarrett 's Army , composed of Jarrett , Steiner , and America 's Most Wanted in a Four @-@ on @-@ Four Lethal Lockdown match at TNA 's Lockdown PPV event on April 23 . Sting 's Warriors won the contest at the event .

Samoa Joe went on to defend the TNA X Division Championship in a Three Way match against A.J. Styles and Christopher Daniels at Against All Odds in a rematch of their bout at Unbreakable in October 2005 . On the January 21 episode of Impact ! , it was announced that Styles would face Joe for the title at Against All Odds . In the same telecast , Daniels accused Styles of trying to take his spot as the contender for the championship due to Styles having thrown in the towel for Daniels . Styles argued that he was instead looking out for Daniels ' health in the storyline . The following week on the January 28 episode of Impact ! , Zybysko announced that the three would compete in a Three Way match for the title at the show . Joe retained the title at the spectacle .

Following Final Resolution , Team 3D faced Team Canada at Against All Odds in order to exact revenge for their actions at the event . Team 3D demanded a match against America 's Most Wanted and Team Canada from Zybysko on the January 21 episode of Impact ! with Zybysko granting the request but only against one of the teams , leaving it up to Team 3D to decide . Brother Ray announced on the January 28 episode of Impact ! that they were leaving the decision up to the TNA fans to decide who they faced at Against All Odds . On the February 4 episode of Impact ! , Team 3D announced that the fans voted for them to face Team Canada . Team 3D defeated Team Canada at the show .

As for other rivalries after Final Resolution , Rhino and Abyss fought in a rematch on the January 28 episode of Impact ! that ended in a no contest . TNA commentator Mike Tenay announced on the February 4 episode of Impact ! that Rhino and Abyss would face in a Falls Count Anywhere match at Against All Odds . Rhino went on to win the contest . America 's Most Wanted went on to successfully defend the NWA World Tag Team Championship at Against All Odds against the team of Chris Sabin and Sonjay Dutt . Raven did not appear in TNA for several months after the event due to his scripted firing . Sean Waltman was also not used by TNA following Final Resolution since TNA wanted to be " cautious about using him long @-@ term giving his track record . "

= = Results = =