

OUTSIDE THE ROPES

EPISODE DESCRIPTIONS

Episode 01: The Launch

The 1970s and '80s were a time like no other for professional wrestling on the East Coast of Canada. Sol out smoke-filled arenas and record numbers on television helped catapult two wrestling promotions to unimaginable heights.

Episode 02: The Poffos and Duprees:

There is a never before explored glimpse into the relationship between two East Coast connected wrestling families in the 1970s and '80s that are now considered wrestling royalty.

Episode 03: The Importance of TV:

A look into the role television played in the success of both International Wrestling and Grand Prix Wrestling on the East Coast of Canada throughout the 1970s and '80s.

Episode 04: Characters of the Golden Era:

A look at some of the memorable characters that reigned supreme on the East Coast of Canada throughout the 1970s and '80s.

Episode 05: JJ and Clary:

A comprehensive look into the working dynamic between two wrestling personalities that were pivotal to the success of International Wrestling on the East Coast of Canada throughout the 1970s and '80s.

Episode 06: The Takeover

An exploration of the competitiveness between International Wrestling and Grand Prix Wrestling in the Maritimes.

In the Maritimes, professional wrestling was at an all-time high in the 1970s when Al Zinck's International Wrestling and Emile Dupree's Atlantic Grand Prix Wrestling went head to head. The Maritimes was only big enough to sustain one full-time promotion. As a result, only one company could survive.

Episode 07: The Revival

An examination of the point in time when International Wrestling would attempt to make a comeback in 1984 under the guidance of Clary Flemming and Jim Dillon.

After the closing of International Wrestling, Emile Dupree would run the Maritime wrestling territory uncontested until 1984. In 1984, Clary Flemming and Jim Dillon would attempt to resurrect International Wrestling to bring it back to its former glory. Despite having a solid business plan in place, taking over the Maritime wrestling territory would be more complicated than initially expected.

Episode 08: The Halifax Forum:

An exploration of a famed arena in Halifax, Nova Scotia, has played host to some of the most memorable wrestling moments and where many wrestling legends of today started in the 1970s and '80s.

Episode 09: The Modern East Coast Approach:

An exploration and analysis of the modern East Coast approach to wrestling, its placement as an element of Maritime cultural fabric, and where it originated.

Episode 10: Fans

A look at the relationship between Maritime wrestlers and wrestling fans through a historical and contemporary lens.

The relationship between Maritime wrestlers and wrestling fans is explored—maritime pro wrestlers from the past and present share inspirational stories about the fans that support them.

Episode 11: Dealing with Injuries

The unfortunate yet enlightening side of Maritime wrestlers dealing with injuries in pro wrestling is explored.

For pro wrestlers in the Maritimes, systematic risks and long-term injuries can occur. Watch as Maritime wrestlers share authentic and intimate first-hand accounts of how they cope with and evolve from the pain and injuries of being a pro wrestler.

Episode 12: Then and Now:

A comparison of Maritime wrestling in the 1970s / the '80s and today, as well as a glimpse into where it might be headed in the future.

Episode 13: The Finale

Six wrestling pioneers from the legendary Atlantic Grand Prix Wrestling reunite.

After over 25 years of being apart, Emile Dupree, Hubert Gallant, Bernie Richard, Paul Peller, Buddy Lane, and Stephen Petitpas reunite to discuss the unique impacts and influences they all had on the golden era of Maritime Wrestling and quite likely say farewell to each other for the very last time.