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00:00:00,300 --> 00:00:01,170  
Buzzy Cohen: From the Alex

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00:00:01,170 --> 00:00:05,070  
Sarah Foss: Trebek Stage at  
Sony Pictures Studios, this

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00:00:05,160 --> 00:00:07,230  
music: is Inside

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00:00:07,230 --> 00:00:07,890  
Sarah Foss: Jeopardy!.

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00:00:07,950 --> 00:00:11,070  
Hello and welcome back to Inside  
Jeopardy!, your exclusive and official

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00:00:11,070 --> 00:00:15,270  
podcast destination for all things  
happening in the world of jeopardy.

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00:00:15,690 --> 00:00:17,000  
I'm Sarah Foss and I'm joined today.

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00:00:17,970 --> 00:00:22,169  
By the host of the other great  
podcast, this is Jeopardy!, buzzy

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00:00:22,169 --> 00:00:22,770  
Buzzy Cohen: Cohen.

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00:00:22,770 --> 00:00:23,700  
Thank you, Sarah.

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00:00:23,700 --> 00:00:24,060  
Yes.

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00:00:24,060 --> 00:00:25,439  
I'm now like a

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00:00:25,470 --> 00:00:26,130

Sarah Foss: podcaster.

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00:00:26,250 --> 00:00:26,689

Yeah, you are.

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00:00:26,689 --> 00:00:27,869

It's like, I mean, you've got two

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00:00:27,869 --> 00:00:28,919

Buzzy Cohen: pods under your belt.

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00:00:29,009 --> 00:00:29,400

I know.

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00:00:29,400 --> 00:00:30,689

I was like, everyone has a podcast.

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00:00:31,560 --> 00:00:33,420

How can I do better?

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00:00:33,480 --> 00:00:35,069

I'm gonna have two podcasts.

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00:00:35,075 --> 00:00:35,170

Sarah Foss: Yeah.

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00:00:35,510 --> 00:00:37,739

And two incredible podcasts, Mike.

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00:00:37,739 --> 00:00:37,860

Well,

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00:00:37,860 --> 00:00:41,400

Buzzy Cohen: anything that has to do with Jeopardy! is incredible, but I'm very proud

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00:00:41,400 --> 00:00:44,010

of both of these podcasts inside Jeopardy!.

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00:00:44,460 --> 00:00:45,930

And this is Jeopardy!

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00:00:46,080 --> 00:00:50,129

I did a Reddit AMA last week and I mentioned that I really like how on

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00:00:50,129 --> 00:00:53,400

Inside Jeopardy we get to talk about what's going on now, what's going on

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00:00:53,400 --> 00:00:55,920

in the future and on this is Jeopardy.

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00:00:55,920 --> 00:00:57,900

We get to look back on how we got here.

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00:00:57,900 --> 00:01:01,349

And so it's like each one helps me with the other one because I think

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00:01:01,379 --> 00:01:04,470

since I started working on this is Jeopardy!, I've been able to bring

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00:01:04,470 --> 00:01:06,330

more of that information to bear.

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00:01:07,100 --> 00:01:09,150

On our current events of the show.

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00:01:09,390 --> 00:01:09,840

Sarah Foss: Yes.

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00:01:09,840 --> 00:01:11,730

And in your first episode Yes.

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00:01:11,820 --> 00:01:14,130

You took us back to the beginning.

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00:01:14,429 --> 00:01:16,140

So much fun to hear.

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00:01:16,140 --> 00:01:16,140  
Yeah.

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00:01:16,146 --> 00:01:19,890  
From all of those of us  
who have heard the stories.

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00:01:19,950 --> 00:01:20,070  
Mm-hmm.

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00:01:20,310 --> 00:01:24,509  
In the legends, how it all came to  
be and to hear from Mary Eubanks, the

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00:01:24,509 --> 00:01:28,530  
first is that Jeopardy! champion in  
the sixties, to hear her talk about

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00:01:28,530 --> 00:01:30,630  
how she was ironing in one hand.

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00:01:30,630 --> 00:01:30,750  
Yes.

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00:01:30,750 --> 00:01:33,720  
You know, her husband's shirts and  
getting the call to be on Jeopardy!.

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00:01:34,005 --> 00:01:35,475  
At the same time, I mean the

48  
00:01:35,475 --> 00:01:36,145  
Buzzy Cohen: call is the call.

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00:01:36,285 --> 00:01:38,745  
The call is, nobody ever forgets the call.

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00:01:38,775 --> 00:01:42,375  
No, that was so special and I  
mean there's just more to come.

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00:01:42,375 --> 00:01:44,835

I'm just so proud of it  
and I was very flattered.

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00:01:44,835 --> 00:01:48,825  
We've heard, had an incredible response  
in the last five days to this, including,

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00:01:49,275 --> 00:01:51,905  
you know Harry Friedman, Sarah's mom.

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00:01:52,635 --> 00:01:52,755  
Yes.

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00:01:52,785 --> 00:01:54,525  
My dad said I talked too fast.

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00:01:54,525 --> 00:01:54,705  
Big fan.

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00:01:54,705 --> 00:01:55,185  
Susie was.

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00:01:55,515 --> 00:01:59,325  
My dad said I talked too fast cuz  
he's 73 and I need to slow down.

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00:01:59,350 --> 00:02:01,929  
I didn't tell him that you  
can play podcasts at like

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00:02:01,929 --> 00:02:03,009  
half speed if you need to.

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00:02:03,190 --> 00:02:09,160  
But anyway, also no less than Claire  
McNear, whoa, who wrote literally the

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00:02:09,164 --> 00:02:12,700  
book on Jeopardy!, tweeted out that there  
were new nuggets that she did not know.

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00:02:12,700 --> 00:02:16,120

So it just goes to show there is something for everyone, whether you

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00:02:16,329 --> 00:02:18,790  
are a huge fan of the show, which I assume you are if you're listening to

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00:02:18,790 --> 00:02:22,690  
this podcast or not, but there's always more to learn and it's been fun to

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00:02:22,690 --> 00:02:25,660  
Sarah Foss: uncover it for those of us who get to listen and learn along with you.

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00:02:25,965 --> 00:02:26,535  
Thank you.

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00:02:26,595 --> 00:02:29,535  
Even those of us on the show we're learning as well, and I think that's

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00:02:29,535 --> 00:02:31,815  
the sign of something that is well done.

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00:02:32,265 --> 00:02:35,295  
Well produced, well researched and well hosted buzzy.

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00:02:35,295 --> 00:02:35,625  
Aw,

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00:02:35,625 --> 00:02:36,075  
Buzzy Cohen: thank you.

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00:02:36,075 --> 00:02:36,145  
Well done.

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00:02:36,145 --> 00:02:39,435  
Well, I just wanna say to all of our listeners out there, if you missed

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00:02:39,435 --> 00:02:43,125  
the ama, you can always send your  
questions here to Inside Jeopardy!

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00:02:43,125 --> 00:02:47,715  
podcast@gmail.com, and Sarah or  
myself will try to answer them.

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00:02:47,775 --> 00:02:48,135  
Yes.

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00:02:48,135 --> 00:02:48,545  
Sarah Foss: You're not limited.

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00:02:48,945 --> 00:02:53,325  
If you missed it, buzzy will still  
reveal everything that's in his head.

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00:02:53,325 --> 00:02:54,225  
Just send it right here.

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00:02:54,230 --> 00:02:54,265  
Yeah.

82  
00:02:54,345 --> 00:02:55,035  
To us.

83  
00:02:55,095 --> 00:02:55,155  
Yeah.

84  
00:02:55,575 --> 00:02:58,335  
Well as if the podcast wasn't enough.

85  
00:02:58,365 --> 00:02:59,805  
We are just one.

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00:03:00,195 --> 00:03:03,805  
Week away from the airing  
of Jeopardy Masters.

87  
00:03:04,425 --> 00:03:04,455  
Mm.

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00:03:05,025 --> 00:03:08,295  
And we have a little something  
special in the works for our

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00:03:08,300 --> 00:03:09,585  
inside Jeopardy listeners.

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00:03:09,585 --> 00:03:11,055  
So more to come on that.

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00:03:11,940 --> 00:03:16,529  
As you may know, last week on the pod,  
we said we were just one day away from

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00:03:16,529 --> 00:03:19,859  
shooting the final episodes of Masters.

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00:03:19,920 --> 00:03:23,850  
Uh, we had a production challenge,  
if you will, and we did have

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00:03:23,850 --> 00:03:26,070  
to postpone those tape days.

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00:03:26,070 --> 00:03:28,605  
So now we are once again, One day away.

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00:03:28,905 --> 00:03:29,265  
We're gonna do

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00:03:29,265 --> 00:03:29,835  
Buzzy Cohen: it tomorrow.

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00:03:29,925 --> 00:03:31,935  
It's Groundhog Day here  
on Inside Jeopardy!.

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00:03:31,935 --> 00:03:35,085  
Every Monday just we're just  
gonna play the same music.



100  
00:03:35,085 --> 00:03:38,445  
We're gonna talk about how tomorrow we are  
taping the final two episodes of Master.

101  
00:03:38,445 --> 00:03:40,335  
I hope not actually, cuz  
I really wanna see what

102  
00:03:40,335 --> 00:03:40,815  
Sarah Foss: happens.

103  
00:03:40,935 --> 00:03:41,175  
Yes.

104  
00:03:41,180 --> 00:03:45,765  
Well, actually, the show must go  
on is no more accurate than it is

105  
00:03:45,770 --> 00:03:49,755  
right now because our turnaround for  
post-production and when we need to get

106  
00:03:49,755 --> 00:03:53,625  
these shows on the air, it has to happen  
tomorrow and it will happen tomorrow.

107  
00:03:53,745 --> 00:03:56,715  
Everything is going to be perfect  
and we're going to produce more.

108  
00:03:56,900 --> 00:04:01,610  
Awesome television that you'll be  
able to see starting May 8th on ABC.

109  
00:04:01,610 --> 00:04:04,520  
And it's a busy week of Masters,  
so the show debuts on May 8th.

110  
00:04:04,550 --> 00:04:05,840  
It airs again on May 9th.

111  
00:04:06,170 --> 00:04:12,065

On May 10th, not only do you get to watch  
Masters, but right after that at 9:00

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00:04:12,065 --> 00:04:17,300  
PM you get to see a celebrity Will of  
Fortune where get this Vanna White goes

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00:04:17,300 --> 00:04:20,329  
up against Ken Jennings and Mayim Bialik.

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00:04:20,529 --> 00:04:20,750  
Wow.

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00:04:21,089 --> 00:04:21,310  
Buzzy Cohen: Yes.

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00:04:21,709 --> 00:04:23,600  
That is a real Sony.

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00:04:24,075 --> 00:04:25,276  
Sarah Foss: Little Sony  
synergy right there.

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00:04:25,281 --> 00:04:25,625  
Exactly.

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00:04:25,625 --> 00:04:27,135  
That's a breezeway battle.

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00:04:27,165 --> 00:04:30,525  
And you know, many people  
have been a breezeway battle.

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00:04:30,915 --> 00:04:34,005  
For those of you that haven't been on  
the lot, our two stages are divided

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00:04:34,005 --> 00:04:36,615  
by a space we call the breezeway.

123

00:04:36,615 --> 00:04:37,515  
So nice there.

124  
00:04:37,935 --> 00:04:39,315  
Aion little breezeway battle.

125  
00:04:39,315 --> 00:04:39,435  
Yeah.

126  
00:04:39,435 --> 00:04:39,645  
Yeah.

127  
00:04:39,645 --> 00:04:40,105  
Subway period.

128  
00:04:40,105 --> 00:04:40,905  
Breezeway battle.

129  
00:04:40,910 --> 00:04:42,145  
Putting in their, um, their bets.

130  
00:04:42,145 --> 00:04:45,285  
You know, some people saying,  
Hey, no one has watched more

131  
00:04:45,285 --> 00:04:46,995  
Wheel of Fortune than Vanna White.

132  
00:04:47,055 --> 00:04:47,565  
That's true.

133  
00:04:47,625 --> 00:04:50,415  
So you would think no one  
knows the game better and is.

134  
00:04:50,745 --> 00:04:52,095  
Better prepared to win.

135  
00:04:52,695 --> 00:04:55,845  
Then you have Ken Jennings  
Lifelong Game Show

136  
00:04:55,850 --> 00:04:58,815

Buzzy Cohen: fan and also  
extremely strong in Word play.

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00:04:58,875 --> 00:05:01,965  
Yeah, I gotta hand it to Ken, like of  
all the things that he, of all the other

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00:05:01,970 --> 00:05:06,975  
games I could see him dominating on,  
like the kind of word play, whether it's

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00:05:06,975 --> 00:05:08,625  
this or Lingo or something like that.

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00:05:08,625 --> 00:05:10,845  
Like that's where Ken  
just absolutely shines.

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00:05:10,845 --> 00:05:11,200  
And then

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00:05:11,200 --> 00:05:14,200  
Sarah Foss: you have Mayan Bik who I  
think is probably the most comfortable

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00:05:14,229 --> 00:05:18,159  
being on television, spent her whole  
life on television and has had so

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00:05:18,159 --> 00:05:21,940  
many different, you know, interests  
and areas of expertise that Sure, who

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00:05:21,945 --> 00:05:23,440  
knows what she's going to come up with.

146

00:05:23,445 --> 00:05:25,210  
So it's going to be good.

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00:05:25,419 --> 00:05:28,870  
You can tune into that on May  
10th, and then as if you haven't

148  
00:05:28,929 --> 00:05:31,359  
had enough at 10:00 PM Oh my God.

149  
00:05:31,419 --> 00:05:32,919  
The game show show.

150  
00:05:32,925 --> 00:05:33,315  
The Game

151  
00:05:33,585 --> 00:05:33,945  
Buzzy Cohen: Debut.

152  
00:05:33,945 --> 00:05:34,005  
Show.

153  
00:05:34,285 --> 00:05:34,525  
Sarah Foss: Show.

154  
00:05:34,755 --> 00:05:40,545  
It's a four part docu-series all about  
game shows, quiz shows, reality shows,

155  
00:05:40,545 --> 00:05:44,505  
and the first episode is titled The  
Answer is So You Can Only Imagine the

156  
00:05:44,505 --> 00:05:46,875  
Jeopardy will be featured as well.

157  
00:05:46,875 --> 00:05:47,535  
So I think I got

158  
00:05:47,535 --> 00:05:48,465  
Buzzy Cohen: interviewed for that.

159  
00:05:48,465 --> 00:05:49,215  
Is that possible?

160  
00:05:49,220 --> 00:05:50,085  
It's totally possible.

161  
00:05:50,085 --> 00:05:50,805  
I think I was interviewed for this.

162  
00:05:50,805 --> 00:05:51,005  
Okay.

163  
00:05:51,195 --> 00:05:53,625  
I know it sounds like I should  
know this, but it was months ago.

164  
00:05:53,625 --> 00:05:55,095  
These things take a while.

165  
00:05:55,095 --> 00:05:55,185  
I know.

166  
00:05:55,185 --> 00:05:55,485  
Well,

167  
00:05:55,485 --> 00:05:56,355  
Sarah Foss: guess what I did too?

168  
00:05:57,045 --> 00:05:59,355  
So let's see if either of

169  
00:05:59,360 --> 00:05:59,626  
Buzzy Cohen: us made.

170  
00:05:59,631 --> 00:06:00,206  
Made it, made it.

171  
00:06:00,255 --> 00:06:01,995  
Let's see if we made  
it into the final Cut.

172  
00:06:02,040 --> 00:06:04,380  
Sarah Foss: Just because your  
interview doesn't mean that

173  
00:06:04,380 --> 00:06:05,610  
you make it onto the show.

174

00:06:06,030 --> 00:06:08,220  
I'd like to place a friendly  
bet that will, let's do it.

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00:06:08,520 --> 00:06:08,820  
No,

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00:06:09,060 --> 00:06:09,900  
Buzzy Cohen: let's do a bet.

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00:06:10,020 --> 00:06:10,320  
Okay.

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00:06:10,470 --> 00:06:11,190  
Let's do a bet.

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00:06:11,190 --> 00:06:14,130  
What are you, uh, um, how  
about how are we gonna do this?

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00:06:14,160 --> 00:06:14,310  
Yes.

181

00:06:14,310 --> 00:06:15,840  
Do you think you made it  
or do you think you didn't?

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00:06:17,430 --> 00:06:18,270  
Sarah Foss: I just don't know.

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00:06:18,270 --> 00:06:21,000  
I have actually told my friends  
at Jeopardy, this is the first

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00:06:21,000 --> 00:06:23,550  
thing that I went out and did  
that I have no control over.

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00:06:23,555 --> 00:06:23,640  
Mm-hmm.

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00:06:23,880 --> 00:06:27,810

You know, when I was delivering clues,  
anything I've done, like, I kind of

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00:06:27,810 --> 00:06:29,880

get to see what makes it onto the show.

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00:06:29,880 --> 00:06:33,975

Whereas in this case, We did the  
interview, the footage went out into the

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00:06:33,975 --> 00:06:36,045

universe, and who knows what will happen.

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00:06:36,075 --> 00:06:36,495

How about you?

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00:06:36,715 --> 00:06:36,835

I,

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00:06:37,335 --> 00:06:39,645

Buzzy Cohen: I think I  
did mine like remotely.

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00:06:39,645 --> 00:06:40,665

Is that possible?

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00:06:40,865 --> 00:06:41,355

It's possible.

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00:06:41,475 --> 00:06:42,195

Can't remember.

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00:06:42,705 --> 00:06:44,055

I definitely remember doing it.

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00:06:44,055 --> 00:06:47,415

I remember talking to someone and,  
um, I don't think I made the cut.

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00:06:47,730 --> 00:06:48,930



I'm just getting that feeling.

199

00:06:48,935 --> 00:06:50,430

Okay now that we're talking about it.

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00:06:50,580 --> 00:06:50,870

Okay.

201

00:06:51,090 --> 00:06:53,010

I feel like they probably  
would've followed up with me

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00:06:53,010 --> 00:06:54,090

or something like that, right?

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00:06:54,180 --> 00:06:55,020

I'm nervous for both of us.

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00:06:55,020 --> 00:06:56,220

I'm nervous for both of us.

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00:06:56,220 --> 00:06:56,550

Of course.

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00:06:56,555 --> 00:06:57,030

I want to be in it.

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00:06:57,035 --> 00:07:00,390

I wanted to say something so pithy  
and wise that it would end up like

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00:07:00,570 --> 00:07:03,330

kind of being the crux of the episode,  
but I don't think it's gonna happen.

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00:07:03,330 --> 00:07:05,630

I do wanna say what an  
amazing night of television.

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00:07:05,690 --> 00:07:05,910

Yes.

211  
00:07:06,600 --> 00:07:07,920  
Sarah Foss: Just get your popcorn.

212  
00:07:08,490 --> 00:07:12,090  
Get your soda, pull up a chair  
and enjoy Wednesday, May 10th.

213  
00:07:12,090 --> 00:07:17,010  
Cuz anyone who loves Jeopardy wheel  
game shows you're gonna be entertained.

214  
00:07:17,040 --> 00:07:17,280  
You'll have

215  
00:07:17,280 --> 00:07:20,130  
Buzzy Cohen: a new episode of This  
is Jeopardy!, come out in the morning.

216  
00:07:20,130 --> 00:07:20,970  
Oh my goodness.

217  
00:07:20,970 --> 00:07:23,480  
And then roll right  
into three hours of into

218  
00:07:23,480 --> 00:07:23,560  
Sarah Foss: it.

219  
00:07:23,560 --> 00:07:23,840  
Incredible.

220  
00:07:23,940 --> 00:07:26,520  
And then Masters will Air  
again that Friday, May 12th.

221  
00:07:26,520 --> 00:07:26,800  
Okay.

222  
00:07:27,165 --> 00:07:30,105  
And then we head into the next  
week and we kind of fall into a

223  
00:07:30,105 --> 00:07:31,425  
Monday through Wednesday pattern.

224  
00:07:31,515 --> 00:07:31,875  
Love it.

225  
00:07:31,875 --> 00:07:34,185  
Suave Monday through Wednesday  
the 15th through 17th.

226  
00:07:34,185 --> 00:07:37,005  
We'll come back and we'll do  
the semi-finals and the final,

227  
00:07:37,125 --> 00:07:40,605  
the 22nd through 24th, it's  
only three weeks Masters.

228  
00:07:40,610 --> 00:07:42,765  
You're gonna want more,  
but it's only three weeks.

229  
00:07:42,795 --> 00:07:45,645  
Buzzy Cohen: Well, in honor of us  
taping the rest of Masters tomorrow,

230  
00:07:46,215 --> 00:07:52,365  
I actually wore a tie that one of  
our contestants also wore during.

231  
00:07:52,935 --> 00:07:56,025  
Those first couple of masters shows  
that taped and I would love our

232  
00:07:56,025 --> 00:08:00,555  
listeners to, once you get to watch  
Masters, try to guess which tie.

233  
00:08:00,900 --> 00:08:02,400  
I'm wearing today on the pod.

234  
00:08:02,440 --> 00:08:03,440

I can't, you can't place it.

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00:08:03,620 --> 00:08:06,180

You I can't place it quite yet, but I,  
I don't, don't even want to describe it.

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00:08:06,180 --> 00:08:08,730

I just want people to see our  
contestants up there and say, that

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00:08:08,730 --> 00:08:09,990

looks like a tie Buzzy would wear.

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00:08:10,200 --> 00:08:10,650

Sarah Foss: I like it.

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00:08:11,220 --> 00:08:12,320

Well, you know, we have masters.

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00:08:12,960 --> 00:08:13,020

Yeah.

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00:08:13,020 --> 00:08:15,990

Obviously made up of, I would  
say, some of our super champions

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00:08:15,995 --> 00:08:16,980

or certainly some of our.

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00:08:17,150 --> 00:08:21,380

Most stellar champions, and so  
I came across a Reddit thread

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00:08:21,380 --> 00:08:23,060

that was pretty interesting.

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00:08:23,065 --> 00:08:23,200

Mm-hmm.

246

00:08:23,540 --> 00:08:26,510

In terms of the future  
of the super champs.

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00:08:26,570 --> 00:08:26,630

Yeah.

248

00:08:27,020 --> 00:08:29,960

Basically to sum it up that,  
you know, given this recent rise

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00:08:29,960 --> 00:08:33,471

in super champions and masters,  
it's clear that contestants are.

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00:08:34,040 --> 00:08:37,910

They're doing more specialized preparation  
to get on the show than in previous years.

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00:08:37,940 --> 00:08:38,030

Yes.

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00:08:38,030 --> 00:08:42,710

And that, you know, perhaps you can train  
so much to get that coryat score that

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00:08:42,710 --> 00:08:47,120

you've heard so much about, you know, now  
averaging, maybe it was 32,000 and you

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00:08:47,120 --> 00:08:49,490

could train and get it over to 35,000.

255

00:08:49,820 --> 00:08:54,650

So mathematically will a few  
years of preparation to become the

256

00:08:54,650 --> 00:08:57,050

next Holzhauer actually happen.

257

00:08:57,080 --> 00:09:01,400

Can you just really get in  
there and study to become.

258

00:09:01,680 --> 00:09:04,170

A super champ, can you actually do it?

259

00:09:04,350 --> 00:09:06,060

Would you say, are you, are you asking me?

260

00:09:06,060 --> 00:09:07,730

Well, I know you can, but No.

261

00:09:07,735 --> 00:09:07,770

No.

262

00:09:07,770 --> 00:09:10,079

Is there a way to really just, I think so.

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00:09:10,079 --> 00:09:11,219

Train like an athlete.

264

00:09:11,760 --> 00:09:12,090

To become

265

00:09:12,810 --> 00:09:13,400

Buzzy Cohen: super champion?

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00:09:13,400 --> 00:09:13,560

I think so.

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00:09:13,560 --> 00:09:14,100

I believe so.

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00:09:14,100 --> 00:09:15,180

Yes, I believe so.

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00:09:15,180 --> 00:09:21,240

And I've on this podcast said, and Michael  
Davies somewhat disagrees with me, but

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00:09:21,240 --> 00:09:26,040

I think a lot of the rise of the super  
champ is that there is more material

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00:09:26,045 --> 00:09:30,199

and guidance out there to help people  
do that kind of preparation before the

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00:09:30,199 --> 00:09:35,189  
proliferation of things like J Archive  
or even we talked about, uh, the buzzer

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00:09:35,189 --> 00:09:39,860  
blog, you know, Player preparation  
guides, but there's a whisper network.

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00:09:39,860 --> 00:09:42,140  
You know, we talk, we've talked  
about the bar trivia network.

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00:09:42,170 --> 00:09:46,220  
You might meet somebody who was on the  
show before and get some tips from them.

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00:09:46,490 --> 00:09:51,110  
Um, their interviews with people like  
me and James and Amy, and lots of

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00:09:51,110 --> 00:09:53,660  
people who have been very successful,  
more successful than I have on the

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00:09:53,660 --> 00:09:56,930  
show where they talk about the kinds  
of things that they do to prepare.

279

00:09:56,935 --> 00:09:59,210  
And so I think there's more  
resources out there, and I think.

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00:09:59,720 --> 00:10:01,520  
To me, that is the big difference.

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00:10:01,520 --> 00:10:05,090  
And I do think we're gonna see more  
super champs because I forget who I,

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00:10:05,090 --> 00:10:07,700

I think it was with Claire McNear,  
she interviewed me for the Ringer

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00:10:07,700 --> 00:10:09,680  
about the rise of the super-champ.

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00:10:09,740 --> 00:10:09,830  
Mm-hmm.

285

00:10:10,070 --> 00:10:13,460  
And my feeling is like, we're at this  
point where, you know, for a long time,

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00:10:13,460 --> 00:10:17,160  
tennis was a hobby for people and they  
would go on the weekend and play tennis.

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00:10:17,260 --> 00:10:21,000  
You know, there would be tournaments  
at prizes and at some point, someone.

288

00:10:21,735 --> 00:10:24,225  
Was kind of the first  
professional tennis player.

289

00:10:24,225 --> 00:10:24,645  
Right?

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00:10:24,645 --> 00:10:24,646  
Right.

291

00:10:24,975 --> 00:10:27,225  
And they were training,  
they were practicing.

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00:10:27,225 --> 00:10:30,045  
They were working on getting  
better beyond just, I'm gonna go

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00:10:30,045 --> 00:10:31,485  
play tennis again cuz I enjoy it.

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00:10:31,515 --> 00:10:35,625  
And I'm sure that that was a  
huge shift where you had people

295  
00:10:35,625 --> 00:10:36,615  
in these tournaments who were.

296  
00:10:37,290 --> 00:10:41,219  
Casual hobbyist tennis players,  
and you had people who were five

297  
00:10:41,219 --> 00:10:43,079  
days a week improving their game.

298  
00:10:43,770 --> 00:10:46,800  
And I think that we're in that transition  
moment right now, is what I'm feeling.

299  
00:10:46,800 --> 00:10:49,920  
I don't know that Jeopardy! is  
gonna become all people like that.

300  
00:10:49,920 --> 00:10:50,010  
Sure.

301  
00:10:50,010 --> 00:10:52,650  
But I think there are more and more people  
that are approaching the game that way.

302  
00:10:52,650 --> 00:10:53,579  
What do you see, Sarah?

303  
00:10:53,699 --> 00:10:54,359  
Well, I think it's

304  
00:10:54,359 --> 00:10:58,890  
Sarah Foss: interesting that, you know,  
jeopardy created five millionaires so far.

305  
00:10:59,280 --> 00:11:00,719  
Two of them very early on.

306

00:11:00,719 --> 00:11:01,500  
Brad Rudder, right?

307  
00:11:01,620 --> 00:11:02,490  
And Ken Jennings.

308  
00:11:02,490 --> 00:11:05,910  
And then we had all these years  
where that didn't happen again.

309  
00:11:05,910 --> 00:11:06,000  
Right.

310  
00:11:06,000 --> 00:11:07,949  
That level of play didn't happen again.

311  
00:11:07,949 --> 00:11:11,819  
And then we had so many, you  
know, all out of season 38.

312  
00:11:12,089 --> 00:11:15,750  
So I think it's now become  
in the forefront of people's

313  
00:11:15,750 --> 00:11:16,891  
minds that you can go on.

314  
00:11:17,580 --> 00:11:19,620  
To be very successful in this show.

315  
00:11:19,650 --> 00:11:19,710  
Yeah.

316  
00:11:19,710 --> 00:11:23,370  
It's not just win five games,  
maybe win you're t o c and Right.

317  
00:11:23,430 --> 00:11:24,360  
Go down in history.

318  
00:11:24,360 --> 00:11:26,490  
Now you've got things

like masters, you know?

319

00:11:26,490 --> 00:11:26,640  
Right.

320

00:11:26,640 --> 00:11:29,160  
Bringing in the Jeopardy  
Invitational next year.

321

00:11:29,160 --> 00:11:32,610  
You can make a career out  
of Jeopardy at this point.

322

00:11:32,615 --> 00:11:32,700  
Yes.

323

00:11:32,910 --> 00:11:34,110  
If you are successful.

324

00:11:34,110 --> 00:11:37,080  
So I think the incentive is  
greater than ever before.

325

00:11:37,080 --> 00:11:37,081  
Yeah.

326

00:11:37,140 --> 00:11:41,640  
And for people that love this  
show and also love knowledge

327

00:11:41,670 --> 00:11:43,080  
and learning and trivia.

328

00:11:43,395 --> 00:11:45,045  
There's a new goal of Right.

329

00:11:45,165 --> 00:11:46,575  
What you can accomplish.

330

00:11:46,635 --> 00:11:46,695  
Yeah.

331

00:11:46,695 --> 00:11:49,185  
And so I think that drives  
people to find, you know, the

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00:11:49,190 --> 00:11:50,085  
additional study guides Sure.

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00:11:50,085 --> 00:11:51,495  
And the additional resources out there.

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00:11:51,945 --> 00:11:55,245  
And there's just, there's a  
target that didn't exist before.

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00:11:55,250 --> 00:11:55,575  
Sure.

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00:11:55,575 --> 00:11:59,835  
Buzzy Cohen: And, and getting into  
the kind of, League aspect Yes.

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00:11:59,835 --> 00:12:01,965  
Of Jeopardy, where you're  
continually coming back.

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00:12:01,965 --> 00:12:06,075  
I mean, even let's say you don't win  
masters or you're in the bottom two

339

00:12:06,075 --> 00:12:10,485  
of Masters and you drop down, you're  
still gonna come back and play at legit.

340

00:12:10,575 --> 00:12:11,775  
I don't know if it's still called legit.

341

00:12:11,835 --> 00:12:12,165  
Sarah Foss: Oh yeah.

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00:12:12,285 --> 00:12:12,465  
Too

343

00:12:12,465 --> 00:12:13,305

Buzzy Cohen: legit to quit.

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00:12:13,395 --> 00:12:17,175

But there's prize money in that, so  
I totally agree that this can become

345

00:12:17,595 --> 00:12:20,775

more of a, uh, lifestyle than just a, a

346

00:12:20,775 --> 00:12:21,675

Sarah Foss: visit, a career.

347

00:12:22,605 --> 00:12:25,095

A part-time career as a Jeopardy champion.

348

00:12:25,125 --> 00:12:26,175

Ah, sounds good.

349

00:12:26,415 --> 00:12:26,955

I like it.

350

00:12:27,045 --> 00:12:27,935

Well, all right, Sarah just made it.

351

00:12:27,935 --> 00:12:29,235

You've made a career for yourself

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00:12:29,235 --> 00:12:29,835

Buzzy Cohen: too, in this world.

353

00:12:29,840 --> 00:12:30,075

Let's play.

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00:12:30,075 --> 00:12:33,525

Well, I have two podcasts now and all  
of the incumbent rights and privileges

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00:12:33,530 --> 00:12:37,305

that go with that, but among those  
are getting to cue the beep boos

356  
00:12:37,515 --> 00:12:38,925  
and getting into this week's games.

357  
00:12:43,814 --> 00:12:46,425  
Sarah Foss: Well, we kicked off  
the week with Emma Hill Capron

358  
00:12:46,425 --> 00:12:51,224  
going for her third win up against  
an nay to so, and Dylan Hupp.

359  
00:12:51,824 --> 00:12:57,015  
Buzzy Cohen: Dylan came out strong in  
the jeopardy round a small \$1,200 deli

360  
00:12:57,015 --> 00:13:01,275  
double, but finished the round with  
7,400 in spite of wearing a quarter zip

361  
00:13:01,275 --> 00:13:01,604  
Sarah Foss: sweater.

362  
00:13:02,115 --> 00:13:07,005  
We also learned in the interview,  
despite that many, a successful champion

363  
00:13:07,005 --> 00:13:08,745  
has succeeded with a quarter second.

364  
00:13:08,745 --> 00:13:09,105  
That's true.

365  
00:13:09,675 --> 00:13:12,855  
Uh, Dylan we learned was the  
captain of his Arkansas quiz

366  
00:13:12,860 --> 00:13:14,865  
Bowl state championship team.

367  
00:13:14,895 --> 00:13:19,455  
He went his senior year, they won money

and they spent that traveling to the

368

00:13:19,455 --> 00:13:24,915  
quiz bowl nationals in Chicago, which  
he then told us they promptly lost.

369

00:13:25,214 --> 00:13:28,245  
Badly, but hey, his skills are  
paying off here on Jeopardy.

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00:13:28,574 --> 00:13:33,224  
Buzzy Cohen: Yeah, and he continued to  
play well in the double jeopardy round,

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00:13:33,224 --> 00:13:36,270  
although Emma, A slightly stronger game.

372

00:13:36,300 --> 00:13:38,370  
Uh, Dylan went nine, correct.

373

00:13:38,370 --> 00:13:39,180  
Two incorrect.

374

00:13:39,540 --> 00:13:40,020  
Emma.

375

00:13:40,080 --> 00:13:40,980  
12, correct.

376

00:13:40,980 --> 00:13:42,000  
Two incorrect.

377

00:13:42,150 --> 00:13:48,900  
But Emma hit those two daily doubles,  
which in total added \$4,500 to her score,

378

00:13:48,905 --> 00:13:55,230  
and she's in the lead with 14,700 just  
\$500 over Dylan going into final jeopardy.

379

00:13:55,290 --> 00:13:55,620  
Hard to

380  
00:13:55,620 --> 00:13:58,590  
Sarah Foss: imagine that Emma started  
that round, the double jeopardy round with

381  
00:13:58,590 --> 00:14:00,840  
only \$1,800, ending an incredible run.

382  
00:14:00,850 --> 00:14:02,350  
With over 14,000.

383  
00:14:02,350 --> 00:14:06,220  
So that is quite around for her  
heading into final jeopardy.

384  
00:14:06,220 --> 00:14:09,370  
Dylan was the only player to come  
up with the correct response.

385  
00:14:09,550 --> 00:14:11,290  
Gets that come from behind win.

386  
00:14:11,740 --> 00:14:15,430  
Of course, in the post-game, Chad,  
he jokes with Ken that, that that

387  
00:14:15,430 --> 00:14:18,820  
quiz bowl it's finally paying  
off much more than that trip to

388  
00:14:18,825 --> 00:14:18,970  
Buzzy Cohen: Chicago.

389  
00:14:19,390 --> 00:14:23,530  
Yes, so Dylan is our champion  
coming into Tuesday's, game facing.

390  
00:14:23,695 --> 00:14:26,785  
Ian Marwan and Johanna Strock?

391  
00:14:27,055 --> 00:14:29,425  
Sarah Foss: Yes, and it was



Dylan and Johanna who were neck

392

00:14:29,425 --> 00:14:30,475  
and neck in the jeopardy round.

393

00:14:30,475 --> 00:14:32,185  
Changing leads multiple times.

394

00:14:32,605 --> 00:14:37,555  
Heading into double jeopardy though Dylan  
did take a \$2,000 lead, I have to say.

395

00:14:38,515 --> 00:14:38,635  
Great.

396

00:14:39,240 --> 00:14:43,380  
Clue in this category,  
sharps and Flats for 400.

397

00:14:43,440 --> 00:14:48,330  
He really gets around and its project  
website claims that it's the longest

398

00:14:48,480 --> 00:14:53,250  
lasting literacy project on the web  
correct response Who is Flat Stanley.

399

00:14:53,520 --> 00:14:56,880  
If any of you saw this clue and  
you thought, wow, those two flat

400

00:14:56,885 --> 00:15:02,959  
Stanleys are just colored so  
beautifully, well, Bragging rights.

401

00:15:02,990 --> 00:15:03,470  
Yes.

402

00:15:03,470 --> 00:15:07,250  
My daughters, Taylor and  
Reagan did color those for us.

403

00:15:07,280 --> 00:15:08,569  
I was pretty excited about that.

404  
00:15:08,930 --> 00:15:12,170  
You know, Rocky Schmidt, our  
supervising producer, did talk

405  
00:15:12,170 --> 00:15:15,079  
about when this clue aired,  
remembering how many flat Stanley's.

406  
00:15:15,600 --> 00:15:16,770  
That Alex used to receive?

407  
00:15:16,770 --> 00:15:16,860  
Mm-hmm.

408  
00:15:17,100 --> 00:15:18,030  
I mean, it was so common.

409  
00:15:18,030 --> 00:15:22,140  
People would send in their flat Stanley's  
and Alex would take pictures with all

410  
00:15:22,140 --> 00:15:23,610  
of them and we would send them back.

411  
00:15:23,610 --> 00:15:26,730  
So obviously something  
that continues on today,

412  
00:15:26,790 --> 00:15:29,100  
Buzzy Cohen: well, it was a well  
played double jeopardy round.

413  
00:15:29,100 --> 00:15:31,500  
All three players ended the  
round with a five digit score.

414  
00:15:31,500 --> 00:15:34,771  
At one point, Johanna was in third  
place, but worked her way into first

415

00:15:34,980 --> 00:15:39,090  
by the end of the round, on the  
strength of a late \$3,000 daily.

416

00:15:39,150 --> 00:15:39,690  
Sarah Foss: Double.

417

00:15:39,930 --> 00:15:43,440  
Another highlight in the round, Ken  
doing his Best Valley Girl accent.

418

00:15:43,440 --> 00:15:43,720  
Mm-hmm.

419

00:15:43,800 --> 00:15:44,160  
Mm-hmm.

420

00:15:44,610 --> 00:15:47,280  
Let's see a movie for \$800.

421

00:15:47,280 --> 00:15:51,450  
Ken says like, oh my God, that foreman  
and Nicholas Cage are totally starc cross

422

00:15:51,450 --> 00:15:53,790  
lovers, and this iconic eighties flick.

423

00:15:53,880 --> 00:15:55,230  
Buzzy Cohen: You can do a  
better valley girl than that.

424

00:15:55,709 --> 00:15:56,760  
I was doing Ken's Valley girl.

425

00:15:56,760 --> 00:15:58,260  
I know, but I wanna  
hear your Valley grill.

426

00:15:58,829 --> 00:16:00,089  
Sarah Foss: Like, oh my god.

427

00:16:00,089 --> 00:16:03,000  
Debra Foreman and Nicholas  
Cage are totally starc cross

428  
00:16:03,000 --> 00:16:04,800  
lovers in this iconic eighties

429  
00:16:04,800 --> 00:16:05,339  
Buzzy Cohen: flick.

430  
00:16:05,610 --> 00:16:06,270  
That was better.

431  
00:16:06,270 --> 00:16:08,969  
That's what I expected to,  
that's what I expected to happen.

432  
00:16:08,969 --> 00:16:09,890  
And then when it didn't regret that,

433  
00:16:09,890 --> 00:16:11,569  
Sarah Foss: I didn't know if  
that's a good thing or a bad thing.

434  
00:16:11,569 --> 00:16:11,810  
That's

435  
00:16:11,810 --> 00:16:12,569  
Buzzy Cohen: what I expected to happen.

436  
00:16:12,569 --> 00:16:15,050  
And then when it didn't, I was  
like, felt very unresolved.

437  
00:16:15,300 --> 00:16:16,110  
So thank you for that.

438  
00:16:16,140 --> 00:16:16,439  
What is

439  
00:16:16,439 --> 00:16:17,100  
Sarah Foss: Valley Girl?

440

00:16:17,100 --> 00:16:19,260

In case you didn't get it  
from my great impression.

441

00:16:19,260 --> 00:16:21,990

I grew up in Arizona though, so I  
was definitely not a valley girl.

442

00:16:21,990 --> 00:16:22,439

Yeah.

443

00:16:22,445 --> 00:16:23,285

It's a desert girl.

444

00:16:23,525 --> 00:16:23,855

Buzzy Cohen: Okay.

445

00:16:23,855 --> 00:16:28,625

Well it, um, unfortunately final  
Jeopardy was a triple stuper, but

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00:16:28,625 --> 00:16:33,305

Johanna was able to wager in such  
a way being in first place that she

447

00:16:33,305 --> 00:16:38,685

finished as our winner with \$6,999.

448

00:16:40,380 --> 00:16:41,610

Hi, I'm Buzzy Cohen.

449

00:16:41,910 --> 00:16:45,390

You've heard me on Inside Jeopardy,  
breaking down stats, analyzing

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00:16:45,390 --> 00:16:48,840

contestant plays, and reviewing  
key moments from recent games.

451

00:16:48,990 --> 00:16:52,140

Well, I'm hosting another

Jeopardy podcast, but this

452

00:16:52,140 --> 00:16:53,250  
one's a little bit different.

453

00:16:53,310 --> 00:16:55,230  
Think Less Sports, more History.

454

00:16:55,590 --> 00:16:58,470  
We'll be taking you on a journey  
from Jeopardy's beginning in the

455

00:16:58,470 --> 00:17:02,850  
1960s through the Alex Trebek years  
to its current day, super champs.

456

00:17:03,090 --> 00:17:06,480  
For the last 60 years we've  
been watching one show.

457

00:17:06,900 --> 00:17:12,030  
Here How it all came together  
on this is Jeopardy, the story

458

00:17:12,035 --> 00:17:13,619  
of America's favorite quiz.

459

00:17:13,619 --> 00:17:18,690  
Show out now from something else, Sony  
Music Entertainment, and Sony Pictures tv.

460

00:17:20,025 --> 00:17:23,385  
Sarah Foss: Moving on to Wednesday  
where Johanna went for her second win

461

00:17:23,385 --> 00:17:26,295  
against Liz Everhart and Jesse Mathey

462

00:17:26,655 --> 00:17:28,635  
Buzzy Cohen: very evenly matched.

463

00:17:28,785 --> 00:17:29,745

Jeopardy round.

464

00:17:29,745 --> 00:17:33,015

I love, I love a good Duke  
out in the jeopardy round.

465

00:17:33,015 --> 00:17:33,016

Sarah Foss: Yes.

466

00:17:33,165 --> 00:17:34,605

Isn't it getting off to a good start?

467

00:17:34,605 --> 00:17:34,965

Yeah.

468

00:17:35,025 --> 00:17:36,165

Battling it out evenly.

469

00:17:36,170 --> 00:17:36,415

Buzzy Cohen: Exactly.

470

00:17:36,945 --> 00:17:39,285

Johanna with a correct responses.

471

00:17:39,285 --> 00:17:40,995

Liz with eight correct responses.

472

00:17:41,115 --> 00:17:44,295

Jesse with nine correct  
responses, Jesse Finishing.

473

00:17:44,425 --> 00:17:46,555

Just in the lead with 4,200.

474

00:17:46,555 --> 00:17:49,105

In spite of missing  
that \$1,200 daily double

475

00:17:49,165 --> 00:17:51,715

Sarah Foss: well, it was another  
great round in double jeopardy.

476

00:17:51,715 --> 00:17:52,915  
Six lead changes.

477

00:17:52,915 --> 00:17:56,215  
All three players held the lead  
at some point in the round.

478

00:17:56,245 --> 00:18:00,595  
Johanna finished with the lead,  
but only \$1,200 separated first

479

00:18:00,595 --> 00:18:02,305  
from third place in this round.

480

00:18:02,905 --> 00:18:05,425  
I do wanna bring up a clue we  
were so excited about in double

481

00:18:05,425 --> 00:18:07,405  
jeopardy comedians for 800.

482

00:18:07,935 --> 00:18:08,985  
April 26th.

483

00:18:09,045 --> 00:18:13,815  
2023 is the 90th birthday of  
this funny lady whose Saturday

484

00:18:13,815 --> 00:18:18,764  
Night Live skits included rancid  
harvest and went with the wind.

485

00:18:19,004 --> 00:18:21,645  
No one knew the correct response.

486

00:18:21,735 --> 00:18:23,175  
Buzzy Cohen: Ken even did the ear tug.

487

00:18:23,565 --> 00:18:25,384  
Sarah Foss: Yes, this was,  
of course, Carol Burnett.



488  
00:18:25,695 --> 00:18:29,445  
They had a special for her last  
week, 90 years of laughter and love.

489  
00:18:29,745 --> 00:18:31,784  
It aired the same night as our clue.

490  
00:18:32,355 --> 00:18:36,105  
We shared this with the NBC team who  
was putting together the special.

491  
00:18:36,555 --> 00:18:38,265  
And they actually wrote  
back and said, sure.

492  
00:18:38,265 --> 00:18:39,315  
Hope they got it right.

493  
00:18:39,315 --> 00:18:43,065  
And we couldn't bear to tell  
them, actually they didn't.

494  
00:18:43,065 --> 00:18:45,315  
But no less love for Carol Burnett.

495  
00:18:45,405 --> 00:18:47,925  
I dunno if you saw any of the  
interviews with her with this special.

496  
00:18:47,925 --> 00:18:50,415  
She is just 90 years young.

497  
00:18:50,445 --> 00:18:51,405  
Buzzy Cohen: She's truly an icon.

498  
00:18:51,410 --> 00:18:53,415  
One of my favorite comedians of all time.

499  
00:18:53,835 --> 00:18:58,515  
Um, final Jeopardy, another  
Triple Stuper, another.

500  
00:18:58,715 --> 00:18:59,945  
Low score.

501  
00:18:59,945 --> 00:19:03,665  
This time Jesse wins with 2,600,  
so Jesse can hold his head high

502  
00:19:03,665 --> 00:19:08,285  
knowing that he won the most money  
on the Alex Trebek stage for that

503  
00:19:08,435 --> 00:19:08,855  
Sarah Foss: game.

504  
00:19:08,945 --> 00:19:09,365  
Yes.

505  
00:19:09,425 --> 00:19:09,845  
All right.

506  
00:19:09,845 --> 00:19:13,565  
Well, we are heading into Thursday,  
Jesse, returning as the champion to

507  
00:19:13,565 --> 00:19:16,235  
face Rebecca Bailey and Eric Anderson.

508  
00:19:16,235 --> 00:19:19,625  
Buzzy Cohen: Eric could not  
quite find his stride finishing

509  
00:19:19,625 --> 00:19:22,205  
the jeopardy round with \$0.

510  
00:19:22,205 --> 00:19:25,625  
Jesse and Rebecca extremely  
close, just \$200 between

511  
00:19:25,630 --> 00:19:25,745  
Sarah Foss: them.

512

00:19:26,205 --> 00:19:28,815  
I really could relate to  
Rebecca in the interview.

513  
00:19:28,815 --> 00:19:33,015  
She said that her daughter did not  
want to go on the show because when she

514  
00:19:33,015 --> 00:19:36,945  
first started watching Jeopardy, it was  
during Madam Mo's run, and then she saw

515  
00:19:36,975 --> 00:19:40,815  
Amy's run and her daughter was afraid  
that Rebecca would have to stay for a

516  
00:19:40,815 --> 00:19:44,535  
very long time, so she wasn't sure she  
wanted her mom to be a Jeopardy champion.

517  
00:19:44,540 --> 00:19:46,085  
Buzzy Cohen: That's like  
the sweetest thing, right?

518  
00:19:46,405 --> 00:19:49,095  
I want to take my headphones off  
and go hug my kids right now.

519  
00:19:49,095 --> 00:19:49,365  
Hearing

520  
00:19:49,365 --> 00:19:51,675  
Sarah Foss: that, well, you can  
be happy knowing that Rebecca

521  
00:19:51,675 --> 00:19:53,245  
didn't win, so her daughter.

522  
00:19:54,675 --> 00:19:58,485  
Did not have to suffer any sadness  
from having mom gone too long.

523  
00:19:59,264 --> 00:20:01,935

Buzzy Cohen: Spoiler alert we're we  
haven't even got, all right, head,

524

00:20:01,995 --> 00:20:03,135  
take us into the double jeopardy round.

525

00:20:03,135 --> 00:20:05,065  
I'll take you into the double  
jeopardy to the double jeopardy round.

526

00:20:05,070 --> 00:20:06,615  
I'll take you there, Jesse.

527

00:20:06,615 --> 00:20:07,935  
Hitting both daily doubles.

528

00:20:07,935 --> 00:20:09,795  
Couldn't convert either one.

529

00:20:10,125 --> 00:20:15,045  
So Rebecca is in the lead, but  
Eric staged a bit of a comeback.

530

00:20:15,195 --> 00:20:15,915  
Finishing the round.

531

00:20:15,915 --> 00:20:21,045  
Just \$3,000 behind Rebecca  
and in final jeopardy.

532

00:20:21,290 --> 00:20:24,830  
If I may, Eric is the only  
one who is correct and that

533

00:20:25,010 --> 00:20:27,620  
launches him to a Jeopardy win.

534

00:20:27,620 --> 00:20:29,810  
Eric Anderson is the new Jeopardy

535

00:20:29,810 --> 00:20:30,320  
Sarah Foss: champion.

536

00:20:30,590 --> 00:20:30,919

All right.

537

00:20:30,919 --> 00:20:35,389

He heads into Friday after that come from behind Victory going up against

538

00:20:35,395 --> 00:20:37,399

Katherine Cohen and Kevin Bell.

539

00:20:37,520 --> 00:20:39,320

That's right, whiskey Ginger.

540

00:20:40,100 --> 00:20:45,470

We learned in the interview that Kevin's drag alter ego name is Whiskey Ginger.

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00:20:45,899 --> 00:20:50,100

He tells us Whiskey Ginger is a spicy redhead and he actually hosts

542

00:20:50,100 --> 00:20:52,530

online trivia as Whiskey Ginger.

543

00:20:53,100 --> 00:20:57,000

Ken, of course, joked that his drag name could be, Della double.

544

00:20:57,090 --> 00:20:57,240

Oh

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00:20:57,240 --> 00:20:57,780

Buzzy Cohen: my gosh.

546

00:20:57,780 --> 00:21:02,400

Well, Kevin certainly brought some of that whiskey and ginger heat to the jeopardy.

547

00:21:02,400 --> 00:21:04,260

Round 12, correct responses.

548

00:21:04,440 --> 00:21:06,060  
No incorrect responses.

549

00:21:06,090 --> 00:21:07,710  
80% buzzer percentage.

550

00:21:08,130 --> 00:21:09,180  
I like those numbers.

551

00:21:09,180 --> 00:21:13,200  
I gotta say finishing the jeopardy  
round with 6,800, Eric and

552

00:21:13,200 --> 00:21:14,570  
Catherine still very much in there.

553

00:21:14,670 --> 00:21:16,770  
Duking it out with 2,400.

554

00:21:17,065 --> 00:21:18,085  
2,800.

555

00:21:18,205 --> 00:21:18,445  
Yeah.

556

00:21:18,445 --> 00:21:21,205  
Sarah Foss: And in double jeopardy,  
Kevin continued that strong play,

557

00:21:21,535 --> 00:21:22,735  
ending the round with the lead.

558

00:21:22,735 --> 00:21:25,225  
But Katherine worked her way into  
contention with the help of a big

559

00:21:25,225 --> 00:21:27,415  
\$4,000 daily double late in the round.

560

00:21:27,475 --> 00:21:27,685  
It

561  
00:21:27,690 --> 00:21:30,385  
Buzzy Cohen: wouldn't be this  
week of Jeopardy if there was not

562  
00:21:30,385 --> 00:21:32,245  
another triple stuper in final.

563  
00:21:32,245 --> 00:21:32,485  
Sarah Foss: Ugh.

564  
00:21:32,715 --> 00:21:34,304  
We hate to see it actually.

565  
00:21:34,665 --> 00:21:38,235  
So as a result, Kevin preserved  
his lead with that minimal wager.

566  
00:21:38,355 --> 00:21:38,445  
Mm-hmm.

567  
00:21:38,774 --> 00:21:40,905  
And Ken Jennings took  
the blame for this one.

568  
00:21:41,054 --> 00:21:45,165  
He said that the final jeopardy  
clue was actually inspired by him.

569  
00:21:45,225 --> 00:21:47,024  
The category US landmarks.

570  
00:21:47,030 --> 00:21:47,534  
The clue.

571  
00:21:47,534 --> 00:21:52,475  
In April, 1975, to symbolize the start  
of America's bicentennial, president

572  
00:21:52,824 --> 00:21:54,915  
Ford lit a third lantern at this.

573

00:21:55,365 --> 00:21:56,115  
Landmark.

574

00:21:56,145 --> 00:21:58,665  
So the correct response  
is the old North church.

575

00:21:58,995 --> 00:22:03,315  
Ken had visited it recently and thought,  
oh, there's a third lantern that

576

00:22:03,315 --> 00:22:05,265  
could be a cool final jeopardy clue.

577

00:22:05,445 --> 00:22:08,925  
He joked that he was now thinking  
it may have been too hard and he

578

00:22:08,925 --> 00:22:11,115  
should have just kept his thoughts to

579

00:22:11,120 --> 00:22:11,715  
Buzzy Cohen: himself.

580

00:22:11,805 --> 00:22:14,865  
I love the idea that Ken is out  
there as sort of a Jeopardy slash

581

00:22:15,015 --> 00:22:19,725  
yuel Houser character collecting  
interesting facts, uh, to bring to the

582

00:22:19,725 --> 00:22:20,055  
Sarah Foss: show.

583

00:22:20,940 --> 00:22:24,180  
Well, he certainly did best  
intentions on Ken's part.

584

00:22:24,600 --> 00:22:27,810  
This was a unique day for us.



585

00:22:27,810 --> 00:22:33,120

It was the last tape day of Rocky Schmid, our supervising producer

586

00:22:33,420 --> 00:22:35,190

who's been with the show for 30.

587

00:22:35,564 --> 00:22:36,764

Eight seasons.

588

00:22:36,794 --> 00:22:37,574

That's incredible.

589

00:22:37,725 --> 00:22:39,645

He was a Jeopardy champion.

590

00:22:39,854 --> 00:22:39,915

Yeah.

591

00:22:39,915 --> 00:22:45,225

For those of you that don't know that, and Alex Tbe saw something in him after

592

00:22:45,225 --> 00:22:50,445

his Jeopardy run and he started working with Alex and ended up making his way

593

00:22:50,445 --> 00:22:53,024

to a very successful career on Jeopardy.

594

00:22:53,115 --> 00:22:54,235

He was a lawyer by trade.

595

00:22:54,235 --> 00:22:58,604

Something that often came in handy as a producer on Jeopardy.

596

00:22:58,754 --> 00:22:59,655

I certainly.

597

00:22:59,830 --> 00:23:02,260

Had Rocky in my career  
from the very beginning.

598

00:23:02,260 --> 00:23:04,780  
He was part of the initial  
clue crew searches.

599

00:23:04,780 --> 00:23:04,840  
Yeah.

600

00:23:04,870 --> 00:23:08,200  
I remember meeting him, you  
know, over 22 years ago.

601

00:23:08,530 --> 00:23:12,040  
So to think that it was the end  
of a huge era for him, this was.

602

00:23:12,540 --> 00:23:13,560  
A unique day.

603

00:23:13,590 --> 00:23:17,399  
I'm happy to say that Rocky, you  
know, is still staying on with

604

00:23:17,399 --> 00:23:21,419  
the show as a consultant, so we  
haven't lost touch with Rocky.

605

00:23:21,419 --> 00:23:25,139  
He's still contributing in many  
different ways, and you know, he

606

00:23:25,139 --> 00:23:26,909  
was ready to start stepping away.

607

00:23:26,915 --> 00:23:26,970  
Yeah.

608

00:23:26,970 --> 00:23:31,060  
After such a long career, he has a  
fabulous partner and they're looking to.

609

00:23:31,555 --> 00:23:35,935

Enjoy a little more freedom that Yes,  
you know, 38 years with Jeopardy,

610

00:23:36,115 --> 00:23:40,705

shooting 46 weeks of original shows  
every year does not allow you.

611

00:23:40,735 --> 00:23:45,415

And I still talk to him very often and  
he is very much in the know and helping

612

00:23:45,415 --> 00:23:47,515

out in a lot of things about this show.

613

00:23:47,575 --> 00:23:50,246

Buzzy Cohen: Yeah, I gotta say,  
the entire Jeopardy staff is

614

00:23:50,251 --> 00:23:51,955

filled with incredible people.

615

00:23:51,955 --> 00:23:56,695

And Rocky, for me at least, has been  
one of those stars, you know, really.

616

00:23:57,090 --> 00:24:00,840

A special person and a really, I  
think a big part of what has made

617

00:24:00,840 --> 00:24:04,440

the show feel so amazing for so long.

618

00:24:04,440 --> 00:24:04,890

Clearly.

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00:24:05,220 --> 00:24:05,670

Sarah Foss: Yes.

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00:24:05,670 --> 00:24:07,170

And his relationship with Alex, yeah.

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00:24:07,170 --> 00:24:08,520  
Was such a special one.

622

00:24:08,525 --> 00:24:11,190  
You know, Alex considered  
him one of his best friends.

623

00:24:11,220 --> 00:24:11,400  
Yep.

624

00:24:11,939 --> 00:24:16,290  
Alex and Jean were at Rocky's wedding  
in a tiny town in North Dakota.

625

00:24:16,290 --> 00:24:17,520  
In the middle of winter.

626

00:24:17,790 --> 00:24:22,350  
They made the trek, uh, Jean Trebek  
actually officiated at Rocky's wedding,

627

00:24:22,740 --> 00:24:26,939  
and Rocky was one of the few people that  
was with Alex when he passed actually.

628

00:24:26,939 --> 00:24:27,810  
Yeah, so it's just.

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00:24:28,440 --> 00:24:31,980  
You know, a relationship that I  
think we're all so grateful for

630

00:24:31,980 --> 00:24:34,290  
to have worked with Rocky, to  
have a friendship with Rocky.

631

00:24:34,290 --> 00:24:37,140  
It's not gonna go away, it's  
continuing on, but we just wanted to

632

00:24:37,440 --> 00:24:39,270  
acknowledge that here on the podcast.

633  
00:24:39,300 --> 00:24:43,290  
Obviously, you know, people are gonna  
notice that that change has been made.

634  
00:24:43,290 --> 00:24:43,291  
Yeah.

635  
00:24:43,650 --> 00:24:46,440  
And we wanted to kind of address  
it here on Inside Jeopardy.

636  
00:24:46,860 --> 00:24:47,070  
Well,

637  
00:24:47,070 --> 00:24:48,180  
Buzzy Cohen: thank you for that, Sarah.

638  
00:24:48,240 --> 00:24:53,130  
That is it for our game Recaps,  
five games, five champions.

639  
00:24:53,250 --> 00:24:56,910  
Congrats to Kevin Bell, aka a  
Whiskey Ginger who gets to spend

640  
00:24:56,910 --> 00:24:59,550  
the weekend as a Jeopardy champion.

641  
00:24:59,610 --> 00:25:00,830  
Sarah Foss: What a way to spend a weekend.

642  
00:25:01,429 --> 00:25:01,820  
All right.

643  
00:25:01,820 --> 00:25:03,169  
Let's take some viewer questions.

644  
00:25:08,179 --> 00:25:11,000  
Buzzy Cohen: Robert asks, could a  
contestant write out the phonetic

645  
00:25:11,000 --> 00:25:14,780  
spelling of a word if they didn't know  
how to spell that word in final jeopardy?

646  
00:25:14,780 --> 00:25:17,989  
And were afraid of adding in an  
extra syllable or changing the

647  
00:25:17,989 --> 00:25:20,239  
pronunciation with their spelling?

648  
00:25:20,245 --> 00:25:20,409  
Yes.

649  
00:25:20,510 --> 00:25:20,729  
And

650  
00:25:21,050 --> 00:25:24,290  
Sarah Foss: we often say we  
do not count for spelling.

651  
00:25:24,764 --> 00:25:29,055  
Unless it changes the phonetic  
pronunciation of the word.

652  
00:25:29,264 --> 00:25:34,965  
So in that case, yes, that's a safe way  
to write your final jeopardy response if

653  
00:25:34,970 --> 00:25:37,725  
you know phonetically how that word should

654  
00:25:37,725 --> 00:25:38,024  
Buzzy Cohen: sound.

655  
00:25:38,175 --> 00:25:39,855  
Okay, and Sarah asks.

656  
00:25:40,229 --> 00:25:43,080  
I was wondering what would  
happen if there's a multi-day

657

00:25:43,080 --> 00:25:45,899  
champion during the UK's J Run.

658

00:25:46,110 --> 00:25:50,580  
Might this person or people be  
potentially offered a spot in

659

00:25:50,580 --> 00:25:52,110  
the next tournament of Champions?

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00:25:52,439 --> 00:25:55,679  
Guessing they'd be at a disadvantage  
if they didn't know much US trivia,

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00:25:55,685 --> 00:25:59,340  
but the idea of a non-American  
champ seem kind of cool to me.

662

00:25:59,760 --> 00:26:02,729  
Sarah Foss: Well, Sarah, I wish  
I had an exact answer for you.

663

00:26:03,090 --> 00:26:06,270  
Michael Davies is not here on  
the pod today, but we know.

664

00:26:06,600 --> 00:26:09,030  
You never know what he  
is going to come up with.

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00:26:09,210 --> 00:26:12,870  
That's the one thing we do know,  
obviously Ike Baron Holtz, our

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00:26:12,870 --> 00:26:16,560  
celebrity Jeopardy champion, has been  
added to the T O C roster, something

667

00:26:16,560 --> 00:26:18,100  
that had never happened before, ever.

668

00:26:18,600 --> 00:26:24,540

So who knows, who knows if a UK champ  
could make their way to the US T O c?

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00:26:24,930 --> 00:26:27,930

Uh, really excited for that  
version of Jeopardy to debut.

670

00:26:27,960 --> 00:26:31,310

Yeah, there's also an Australian  
version that's in the works, so Okay.

671

00:26:31,620 --> 00:26:33,240

We've gotta see how it unfolds.

672

00:26:33,245 --> 00:26:36,180

I like what you're thinking,  
Sarah, and, uh, we'll have to

673

00:26:36,180 --> 00:26:38,520

see what M P D thinks about that.

674

00:26:38,580 --> 00:26:38,760

Yeah.

675

00:26:38,760 --> 00:26:38,850

I'm

676

00:26:38,855 --> 00:26:42,120

Buzzy Cohen: excited to see  
how, uh, what Stephen Fry Yes.

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00:26:42,120 --> 00:26:44,490

Brings to the host's lectern.

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00:26:44,695 --> 00:26:44,905

Sarah Foss: Yes.

679

00:26:44,905 --> 00:26:48,205

He came, yeah, actually to  
jeopardy this past season, and

680

00:26:48,205 --> 00:26:49,675



he sat in the control room.

681  
00:26:49,675 --> 00:26:51,265  
He was fascinated by it all.

682  
00:26:51,265 --> 00:26:52,585  
He's a big fan of the show.

683  
00:26:52,585 --> 00:26:54,955  
It was so fun to have  
a presence like that.

684  
00:26:55,045 --> 00:26:56,425  
Yeah, on the Alex Treck stage.

685  
00:26:56,425 --> 00:26:58,645  
So we're excited to see  
him take the reins as

686  
00:26:58,645 --> 00:26:59,125  
Buzzy Cohen: host.

687  
00:26:59,245 --> 00:27:00,715  
Well, that's it for today's show.

688  
00:27:00,715 --> 00:27:04,525  
Be sure to tune in this Wednesday for  
another episode of This Is Jeopardy.

689  
00:27:04,645 --> 00:27:08,695  
And as always, join us here on  
Monday for more gameplay discussion.

690  
00:27:08,965 --> 00:27:09,295  
And

691  
00:27:09,295 --> 00:27:12,025  
Sarah Foss: we may have a special  
Jeopardy Master's announcement

692  
00:27:12,025 --> 00:27:13,315  
for our inside Jeopardy listeners.

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00:27:13,315 --> 00:27:15,175

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00:27:15,475 --> 00:27:18,445

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00:27:28,965 --> 00:27:29,175

See you

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00:27:29,175 --> 00:27:29,745

music: next week.