

This is a peer-reviewed, final published version of the following document and is licensed under All Rights Reserved license:

**Murray, Matthew (2003) Matthew Murray Photographs and interviews  
Wrestlers at Holyhead Leisure Centre, Handsworth, Birmingham for a  
personal Project. i - D (232). pp. 45-49.**

Official URL: [http://i-d.vice.com/en\\_gb](http://i-d.vice.com/en_gb)

EPrint URI: <http://eprints.glos.ac.uk/id/eprint/4691>

#### **Disclaimer**

The University of Gloucestershire has obtained warranties from all depositors as to their title in the material deposited and as to their right to deposit such material.

The University of Gloucestershire makes no representation or warranties of commercial utility, title, or fitness for a particular purpose or any other warranty, express or implied in respect of any material deposited.

The University of Gloucestershire makes no representation that the use of the materials will not infringe any patent, copyright, trademark or other property or proprietary rights.

The University of Gloucestershire accepts no liability for any infringement of intellectual property rights in any material deposited but will remove such material from public view pending investigation in the event of an allegation of any such infringement.

PLEASE SCROLL DOWN FOR TEXT.



**lee massey aka john hogan**

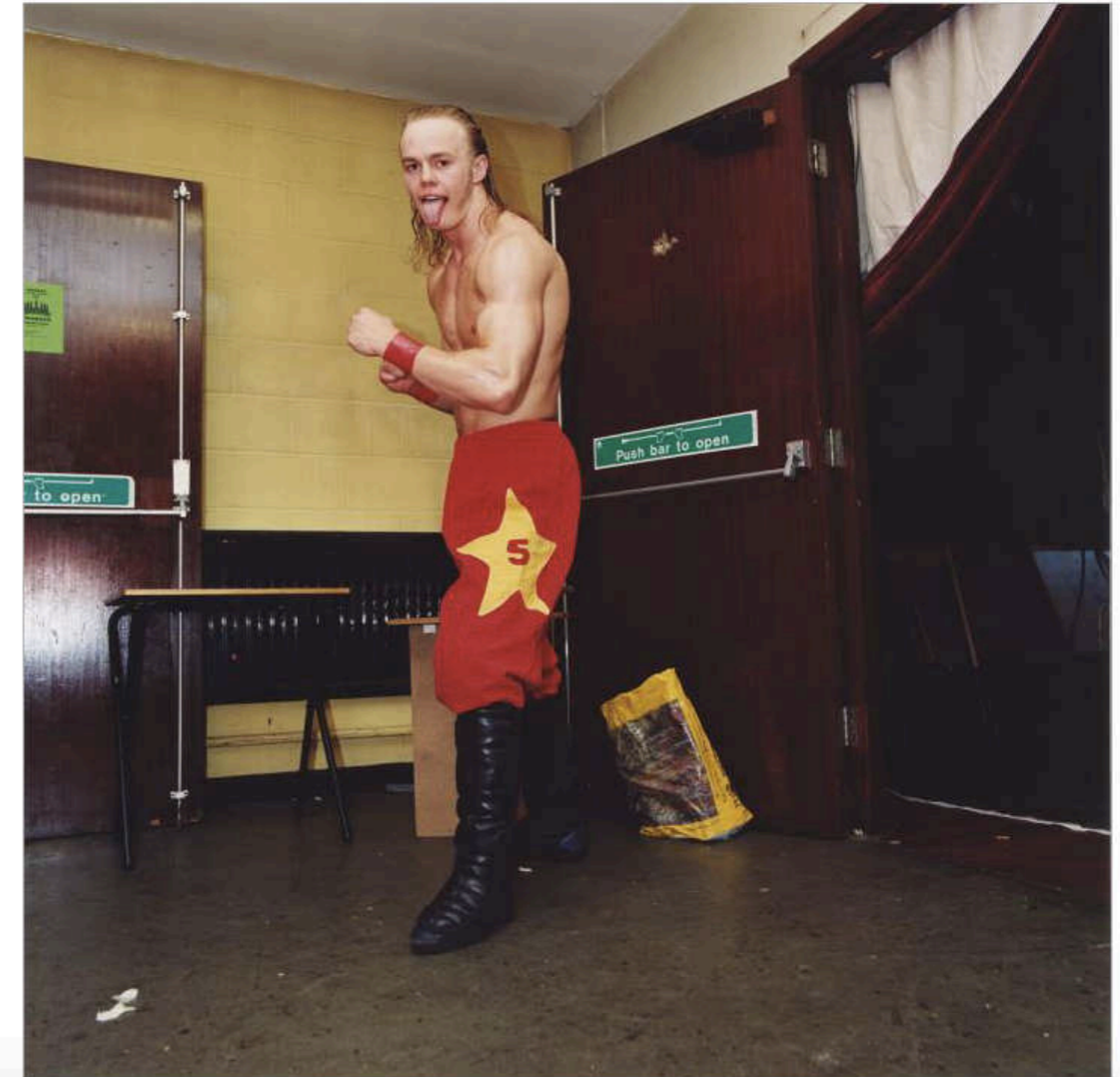
*describe your self* It's a nice 300-350 with a black cross on it  
*do you have a special move?* The mirror solution - an overhead sup  
 which is too technical to get into right now *ambition* to  
 push the wrestling promotion called 'Future Championship  
 Wrestling' - I'd like to be the top promotion in  
 Britain. And to work for the top American company WWE *how?*  
 The British Bulldog - David Hye Hall, one of the best  
 wrestlers in the UK. *If you were a drink what would you be and why?* Jam  
 because *how do you relax?* Listening to Dixie Chicks and going  
 to JB's, the local pub nightclub in Dudley

**five star flash**

*describe your self* Heavy and burly with a yellow lightning bolt  
 and a big star *do you have a special move?* Slams - the Five Star  
 Splash for starters *ambition?* To wrestle in Japan - it's a  
 whole different thing and there's *how?* The wrestler Bret Hart  
*if you were a drink what would you be and why?* A pint of lager, just  
 because *how do you relax?* Sitting in bed watching a film

cross-generational appeal and were particularly popular amongst the rabid  
 grannies who stayed for almost midnight  
 "Easy Easy" they screamed as ED  
 delivered one of his trademark speeches,  
 dropping his full 20 stone on to the prone  
 form of his opponent. Ironically, wrestling  
 aficionados insist that bouts involving  
 Daddy, born Shirley Crabtree, and Flashback  
 were technically awful and their recent  
 showmanship really led to the long and  
 terrible demise of British wrestling.  
 Saturday afternoon wrestling regularly got  
 audiences of 10m but when current BBC  
 DG Greg Dyke arrived at ITV in 1988, he

Wrestling at Handsworth Leisure Centre - Five Star Flash



[https://www.search.birminghamimages.org.uk/  
 details.aspx?  
 ResourceID=4119&ExhibitionID=4119&SearchType=3](https://www.search.birminghamimages.org.uk/details.aspx?ResourceID=4119&ExhibitionID=4119&SearchType=3)

[http://i-d.vice.com/en\\_gb](http://i-d.vice.com/en_gb)