Hot on the heels of our previous announcement regarding the signing of Elite Pro Wrestling, Photographer Joe Geary and wrestler Liz Savage comes another pro wrestler signing.

We are pleased to announce the partnership of Shadow Fire Promotions with Sam Hayne. Hayne, named for the Celtic god of Death that people would send animal sacrifices to at summer's end in order to survive the cold winter's months ahead. The demon is also associated with the Halloween celebration.

Sam Hayne debuted in this realm in 2000 against Shane Hills and was trained by Chris Bassett. Hayne is feared by all and respected by many for his fearsome appearance and ring dominance. Despite the large body count he has left behind, Hayne has only won a championship twice, the All-Star Championship Wrestling Heavyweight Championship. Hayne's second reign marked the retirement of the title, although Hayne continues to wear the belt as a symbol of his power of destruction.

Hayne's path of destruction has carried him through several promotions in the Midwest to include NWA Wisconsin, its predecessor All-Star Championship Wrestling, Chicago's Steel Domain (home federation of Chicago's Brad Bradley and C.M. Punk, now both competing in WWE), and Minnesota's MPW, among others.

Hayne claims Jerry Lynn as his favorite opponent.

Hayne was the mastermind in the destruction of All-Star Championship Wrestling, forcing its renaming into NWA Wisconsin. Hayne still wears the ACW Heavyweight Championship to this day, much to the chagrin of ACW (now NWA Wisconsin owner Jason Jerry).

On June 17, at ACW's "One Night Only", which featured the return of numerous veterans of the previous incarnation of the company, Hayne was challenged for the title he never lost. Hayne again walked out undefeated for the title.

On October 14, Hayne was challenged by returning ACW legend Horace the Psychopath. At the last minute, their match was changed to a tag team match with four ACW veterans: Horace, Hayne, Red Lightning and Adrian Lynch. After a wild match that saw all four participants brawling around the arena at some point, Red Lightning would end up being pinned after a Samoan Drop from Horace. However, despite the loss, Hayne's ACW title was not on the line in the match.

Hayne is often accompanied by several of his followers, usually wrestlers who have been converted by Hayne. Hayne is always escorted by the lovely Mystique, who carries a fire staff that Hayne uses to breathe fire with. It is unknown if Mystique is demon, like Hayne, or a human disciple.

As for Hayne himself, it is similarly unknown what he looks like under the mask. His outward appearance is that of a heavily built human male. It has been theorized that the

mask represents Hayne's true face, others think his face is badly scarred. Some believe Hayne to be part demon, or a demon who has taken human form. Others believe he is a human possessed by the Samhain demon.

No matter what the rumors are about Sam Hayne, the only true origins of Hayne are known by only Hayne himself, and so far, he has yet to explain anything about himself.

In any case, we are extremely proud to be working with Hayne. Look for Sam Hayne links in Yahoo group (below), and for banner links on our website soon to follow.



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