[RPF] How Ronda Rousey lost her UFC Streak

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Introduction

[<u>Ultimate Fighting Championship (= "UFC")</u> is a mixed martial arts ("MMA") competitions brand with very few officially disallowed moves. <u>Ronda Rousey</u>, one of its contestants, is notable for having kept a fairly long streak of consecutive wins.

This real-person-fiction ("RPF") screenplay presents a hypothesis of how she achieved that.]

Main Scene

[The year is 2011/2012 . <u>Holly Holm</u>, the martial artist who would defeat Ronda Rousey (during their second UFC match), is standing in a shopping mall. She had invited Ronda for a day of hanging out together, with the ulterior motive of getting her to fight <u>in a fair way</u>.

Ronda approaches her.]

Ronda: Holly, right?

Holly: That is right. Nice to meet you, Ronda.

Ronda: My pleasure [they shake hands.]

Ronda: Let's get straight to business: I presume you know I know why you invited me for a day of "fun, socialising, and geeking out".

Holly: To break your streak? If so, then yes!

Ronda: Well, it worked. You've won the psychological war. It's a shame really... it would have been fun to keep it. You know how I am <u>an entertainer first</u> and a martial arts' fighter later.

Holly: Heh... aren't we all?

Ronda: Yeah! [She thinks for a moment.]

Ronda: Hold it! But what if we fake a streak? It's been a while since there was one in pro-MMA and it'll be a good publicity stunt for <u>UFC</u>.

Holly: Heh... I like your way of thinking, Ronda! Conspiracies are a time-honoured tradition. [References: Shlomif's FAQ - "Are you aware of any Jewish world-domination conspiracy?"; FAQ: "Are you an agent?"]

Ronda: Great! Wanna roll dice on who will be the streak-owner?

Holly: Nah... it was your idea, so it's going to be you.

Ronda: really? Thanks! [She hugs Holly.]

Holly: [uses her smartphone] OK, the other UFC contestants approve of staging a streak as a publicity stunt and will lose the fights to you on purpose.

Ronda: Sounds good!

Holly: heh, heh. Now that it is settled, let's have fun and geek out - as promised.

Holly: You know, I was chatting on IRC the other day, when someone noted that he read about a man who started with a paperclip and after some stages of <u>barter</u> ended up owning a mansion.

Ronda: heh, hacks! I presume you won't agree to buying me a mansion, today?

Holly: Naturally not... but I can buy you a paperclip. A pack of 50 paperclips is also within my budget.

Ronda: hah... I can try trading them for 50 mansions, and start a real-estate agency!

[Holly bursts out laughing; Ronda follows. They leave the frame.

Cut.]

Afterword

[Part of my motivation for writing this screenplay was that some Internet friends complained that some of my recent fics crossovered too many franchises and/or were too fantastical.

So here you go - a <u>real person fiction ("RPF")</u> story with a conspiracy hypothesis, but little if any supernatural magic or technology.

Do note that this screenplay has been followed by "crazier" fics:

- Sample session of "the game"
- The 10th Muse: "Reenacting the Trojan War"]

About this screenplay

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