

Egg Standup Routine

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INT. COMEDY PERFORMANCE - NIGHT

The DOMINANT EGG is standing on a slightly raised wooden stage with a microphone very low down and in front of him. A flood light shines on him. There is other lighting, just not quite as bright. Behind and above him is a huge sign saying 'Laughing and Yoking'. The DE bounces up and down the stage as the flood light follows him. A serious looking, muscular and bald BODYGUARD stands in front of the stage with his arms folded. He stares through the AUDIENCE looking blank.

DOMINANT EGG
Hello audience, I am PUMPED!

The AUDIENCE cheer wildly.

DOMINANT EGG
So you may have heard I got arrested for drink driving and the possession of illegal firearms...

An AUDIENCE MEMBER woops.

DOMINANT EGG
I just want to apologise. I wasn't myself back then, I was going through a very difficult time...

AUDIENCE MEMBER
What happened?

DOMINANT EGG
It's just that so many of my family members have disappeared and I can't work out where! Also, when I heard someone say to me the Delicious Egg was living on numbered days simply because of his name and the fact he was an egg, I snapped, got wasted and then arrested. I have behaved terribly.

The AUDIENCE give sympathetic moans.

DOMINANT EGG
Thank you for being so understanding. All the money from this tour is going to the police and the chef I threatened with a bazooka. Sorry chef. Chef, it's been rumoured that the Delicious Egg was hanging around your establishment before it went missing. If you have any information, please contact me right away.

The AUDIENCE chant 'Find the Delicious Egg!'

DOMINANT EGG

Thanks for your support. Are there any alcoholics in the building?

The same AUDIENCE MEMBER from before woops again.

DOMINANT EGG

It's not cool, you know? You have to think of the feelings of others when they see a stumbling egg, carrying a rocket launcher.

The same MAN whoops a further time.

DOMINANT EGG

Oh never mind. So, do we have any vegans here?

There is silence.

DOMINANT EGG

No vegans, huh? Any vegetarians?

A WOMAN woos.

DOMINANT EGG

Great. So... egg salads... what do you think of them?

WOMAN

Errr...

The EGG is blank and cold.

DOMINANT EGG

Go on, I'm genuinely curious.

WOMAN

They're alright, I suppose.

In a rage and in a complete change of character, the EGG zooms into the crowd as the flood light tries to catch up. A WOMAN is heard saying 'Ow!' The EGG flies back to the stage.

DOMINANT EGG

Oh my God, I am SO sorry! Please forgive me!!

A MAN shouts 'This is madness!'

DOMINANT EGG

It was a joke! Physical humour!

WOMAN

My nose is bleeding!

DOMINANT EGG

It's a new kind of comedy. I call it 'ultra physical humour' or 'quasi abusive humour'. It was worth a shot, but it failed and I'll move on. I mean the bodyguard here, didn't do anything to stop me. What's that tell you? Either I'm 100% fine or he sucks. It's the former.

WOMAN

I'm leaving!

DOMINANT EGG

Ok good, don't tell anyone. So, anyone here seen the go-karting film I've starred in??

There is silence.

DOMINANT EGG

Really? It's very good...

ANOTHER WOMAN

We're scared you'll attack us if we don't like the film!

DOMINANT EGG

No, no, I've abandoned that style of comedy now...

ANOTHER WOMAN

Oh. In that case it sucked!

DOMINANT EGG

I see. Surely someone must have liked it?

OLD MAN

It wasn't fast enough! Not enough speed! Not another violence! Or bloodshed!

DOMINANT EGG

Oh no, no, you don't understand. The film is a deep drama, you've missed the whole point of the film.

OLD MAN

What's the point of it, then?

DOMINANT EGG
 Don't risk your life for go karts,
 that's all...

OLD MAN
 Ok...

The BODYGUARD looks bored. He removes an egg from his pocket, cracks it open and eats the insides. The DOMINANT EGG watches in horror.

DOMINANT EGG
 Appetising Egg?! Is that you?!

The BODYGUARD turns to the EGG.

BODYGUARD
 No one here is laughing, but I'm yoking.

DOMINANT EGG
 Oh (expletive) you.

The AUDIENCE give outraged groans.

DOMINANT EGG
 Oh I don't care any more.

The DOMINANT EGG zooms to the BODYGUARD and jumps up and down on his head. The BODYGUARD drops to the floor, unconscious. The EGG then returns to the stage.

DOMINANT EGG
 Well old man, you got what you wanted.

OLD MAN
 Now where's the se....

DOMINANT EGG
 (interrupting)
 NO! I don't know what pervy films you've been watching, but this show is good clean fun! Well it was supposed to be. Show's over, go home!

The are more outraged yells.

DOMINANT EGG
 Bye!