

THIRD QUARTER

W27:

stop sulking, shotaro.

shroud is such a lazy plot device.

what a smart man!

oh, gooooood, a hilarious fall-over no-trousers babe. do i recognise her?

liiiight coomedyy!

does she not wear trousers ever?

hurricane blue. ok.

a penetration problem? with a lady character with little briefs and fishnets? I fucking hate you, W.

this old dude better do something about creepy doctor messing with all the memories. men gotta take care of their women.

she doesn't look comfortable in her bikini bottoms. standing there in embarrassed posture.

is she gonna be made to straddle philip, too? how can kids be made to want to watch riders if they aren't tempted by some hot chaste sexy faking?

this troll isaka. he does not care.

i miss the good old days of tusslefigths.

fuck off, perv. i am really tired of his sexual nonsense.

because you are a policeman. thats why you have to care. about civilians. TURN IN YOUR BADGE.

music, music. concentrate on the music. the actually sexy element of the stupid show.

secondary riders are so FORMULA.

akiko is the real detective here! again. remembering osaka at the hospital.

saeko.. please don't do this to yourself. isaka, please stop being such a turd.

you too, terry.

haha yeah sass him isaka

this is possibly the best-held 'mystery' of the show so far! there wasn't really a mystery to it, but we were waiting for terui to meet someone and hear something and then, several episodes later, we did! ganbatte, writer team!

the weather state "sun", I guess. When the sun visits earth and sets fire to us, the people.

why IS he so magic? was he always weather? or just one type of weather? how is 'invisible' a weather state? are his weathers stuff he's pinched? what was his original weather? could he ONLY ice? in that case he should be: memory, icemurder.

if only i liked the man-is-a-bike gimmick better! but its so cg.

why isn't this terry actor in a proper season?? auuughhhhh he can do intense but its so out of place!!

shotaro, you have no right to mess with the body that philip is sharing. you are being just like isaka, do you know that?

W28:

why does it matter that his name is shinkurou? they say it like it's a shock.

quick, we need some pokemon tears

please stop calling him sensei if you're gonna chastefuck him all the time
"i.. i don't like tea. I don't like parents." says isaka zuko.

your body did not act alone, shotaro. your mind did it and your body followed.

i do get the impression that shotaro only wants to save lily because he has a crush on her trouserless butt.

shotaro is not dead and i am not moved.

no medicine? ability to heal? seriously? WHY. that's stupid.

what SHOULD a kamen rider mean to him? kamen rider is just you and that dork.

terry still is the absolute worst though. don't marry him, akiko.

tired, but smiling, in her tiny shorts as she pants. stay classy, director.

i too am hungry. may i snack, papa terror?

hi mik!

daddy understands, saeko. you're not very subtle either.

all prospective sons in law have to strip for the elders of the family.

run away from this awful family, wakana. since youre apparently nice now.

new outfit for philip? again: where does he buy, and when? he never seems to go out.

neither does shotaro of course.

boss akiko is boss.

if anyone even complains about aikido's slipper, i hope they punch themselves in the nose with all the force of sparring policeman kamen rider accel, btw.

this old man is so nice-looking!

wow, magic!

AWWW A PRESENT.

ooh i like that leather bag

"i too worry about my granddaughter" thinks terry.

nice outfit for a terrible crimedoer! I do like bloomers.

is being a dopant even illegal? has that gone through the public courts?

or, wherever? dopants really must have been around for ages.

and the W family grew three sizes that day. because terui's head is so engorged with selfish crap.

wearing a dead husband's things is a little awkward, but i suppose he doesn't mind.

talking about it like a ritual, that's nice. like roland the gunslinger.

gosh darn tank.

proud grandpa is nice. vanishing woman is a shame

bit.. late, terry?

oh, she's not dead.

so we'll say that the grandpa just wanted to see lily care about the audience and make efforts to please them

philip actually doing some thinking? very nice!

it must be such a (pleasure?drag?) being familiar with the kamen rider landmarks from real life as well as just rider shows. there's that, there's

that. fuuto sure does look a lot like tokyo.

philip, are you flirting?

saeko's dress is very nice!

saeko, stop loving on him! he is a gross nothing!

look at that daft zoo.

cute pjs, shotarooo

why are boys so BOGGLED by a cheek kiss? it makes them strange.

W29:

why do they give recaps of things that are no longer relevant in the least?

is that a real release?

yeah, defy reason like a ghost, a ghost car, dopants, kamen riders, etc..
shut it, philip.

for once shotaro isn't twitterpated immediately by the presence of a pretty lady

what a fun office!

this team is so weird i'd rather watch their show. humping a little horse thing while a nude adult with a lion hat tests you with proverbs. i'd watch that.

we do already have the policeman and his little floppy sidekick though, and now we have another set.

does shotaro actually live in the office?

okay, dream sequence coming up. good. costume episodes can usually be relied upon.

is this a real show????

i see why tumblr loves shotaro so much. laptop in bed, box set ready to go. he IS tumblr.

do i recognise her?

nice ribs on that dopant. i haven't been noticing their designs much at all. they don't seem to be getting that kind of open-air focus

"himekarin"

no, it doesn't look like a real show.

that's a different set of satin pjs. THAT is why you have to live in your office.

i don't know why they all love each other so much when we never see them doing anything except work. where are the philip/shotaro

ballgames, the shotaro/terry coffee dates OUTSIDE the office, etc?
so wakana's downward spiral's gonna be seen only from the outside
then? weak choice.

at least he isn't a COMPLETELY absent father. i guess.

i love it when girls are made enemies via their behaviour towards boys
(no i don't)

i was just asking for ballgames and now they are at a sports area but
there is no ballgame :[

FINALLY, dream sequence. at last.

i take it back about shotaro's non-obstructive boner.

cute memory touch

but philip shouldn't have to sleep in a dream.

ahahaha funny face lines variant!!

this series is just HORRIBLE on romantisexual interaction.

i like philip's gown

it's like they're making fun of themselves in a relatable way (except for
all the gross stalker stuff)

at least he says it to boys too, but that's not BETTER, just not worse. it's
still terribly bad to molest sleeping boys, just not sexist.

gross crispy philip!

W30:

not a very lucid dream if you can't wake up on purpose

shotaro does not have an acceptable level of eyebrow for a kamen rider.

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what the hell is this bird and its matrix ambulance beam.

it sure is cold where they are

me too, shotaro. me too.

if i pretend that shotaro is star of "crime and the city" and that's why he

does these little voiceovers, a la carrie, maybe i will be less irritated by the lack of true hardboiled

don't you even dare try to lay this dopant crime on her for-childrens-tv ~sluttiness~.

oh you fucks, you are! you actually said her words have caused this problem! it's just a kinky little phrase! she's not licking their faces!

oh finally, a mystery that lasts further than the first third of the second episode! not the floppy kid!

80s wakana bothers me. personally and as an element of the narrative. they're ignoring her massively obvious breakdown! come on!

i want all of those noodles.

magic mind matrix gets even more W-obvious and i don't know why "great fx" on shroud, there

hey what does radio fuuto think of the new wakana? are there healing princess episodes where she's just a gigglelurch?

nice lamp shading, sho.

aaaaah finally some akiko backstory!!

philip gangster better than philip normal

oh, no, no. she does not recognise shotaro as her dad/'s equal.

yeses. just don't mess it up.

fuck him up, akiko!

i am so glad i just got popcorn!

oh, its over.

she is still the best detective though.

goooosh moooooomm i'll hang out with who i liiiiiiiike

please drop the speech tic.

please don't protect yourself by shaming yourself about affection

rapey imagery great, great

oh okay, the mystery wasn't a mystery but they pretended that it was.

does that count? it had to be him from the start because there was no-one else who showed favour for 'himekarin', but then it "couldn't" be him because we are outside of the show and can't rub off the H on his head, so it had to be her, because no-one else was left. but then it WAS him, because the show lied to us/the characters were lazy.

boo hoo hoo friend zone cryy

shotaro may call him pathetic, but the narrative itself does actually lay blame on the girl. it doesn't take back the times when he and she said that she was to blame for speaking freely about princeliness.

i see why he would go to jail; he put guys into comas. but not for just 'being a dopant'.

oh my gosh I'm vomiting. what if she meets someone whilst he's in jail for six years? he's gonna go FUCKNUTS!

just stop being such a freaking drag. her manner is CLEARLY not personal or teasing.

is this *supposed* to be shipteasing?

W31:

this man looks promising, but i'll doubtless be disappointed.

philip angsting about relationship advice

why does everyone make such a tremendous fuss about everything?

i love this man, he's the best. you should be smacked for being so rude, shotaro.

shotaro STILL can't even say the truth, despite being absolved of his sins against akiko. weenie.

oh, nice duffelbag!

if only i were allowed to tell people when they are halfmen. i guess i can on twitter, through jokes.

shotaro has a blood-rushing boner for an aesthetic he will never achieve.

hip. topical. i can relate.

please keep smacking him, old man.

old lady friend, cute.

i sense a PROBLEM, good, at least that is to form

can i switch to this show (again)?

shotaro-actor probably could manage hardboiled if he wasn't playing shotaro. but he is, so it doesn't work in moments like this. it feels and looks fakey fakey fake and would be far cooler if he did it like himself. that's one hairy back.

if this were hardboiled the beast man would be Bell(e?) only secretly not really somehow. the flags are clear that it is Maru, but which way will W go? at this point I have no idea, because I can't bring myself to expect the usual (i.e. the mysteryless option).

cool mouth pauldrons, beast man!

oh, it was maru. my sigh isn't even big.

neat threat-gesture tho

it's terrible when someone asleep starts groaning, i don't blame akiko for waking philip.

can she REALLY not believe it? this is a situation far too complex to be done justice on this goofy circus.

yelling is hilaaaaaarious (i'm sorry, tumblr, i know you all love his yelling).

so did shroud know narumi? i guess so since he had his magic stick. this story is so old.

don't SNATCH, shotaro.

what Sam means is you are a rude baby with no boundaries.

"I don't have anything besides the boss's elective job"; this would be an interesting character point, were it nurtured or allowed to flourish

"i'm shroud, i don't mind if stupid boys die, i have no better advice, lets

spend ages talking about nothing, lol"

philip taking the face lines makes more legacy sense, if he is a magical altered drug boy nonhuman

you two just need to spend a little more time together, to get your partnership balanced again. when was the last time you really talked?

W32:

had 2 get ice-cream. h8 dubbl.

oh i wasn't paying attention, there were incidents before. dare i hope that the original beast rampage WAS Bell, who had to marry Maru so that he would continue to cover for her? I don't, but I'd like to.

O HEARTBREAKFACE heehee

awwwkwaaard

see that good tree fall? light comedy skills! hardboiled anathema.

although you could get a good tree-slide into hardboiled, if the rest was right, come to think.

the life of a man who hides his pain is painful too, tbf.

this is all so shipteasy.

what are you DOING, falling into the river? at least get drunk first, ffs lying to the chief?! just because you're humiliated about being dumped.

because this is SO romantifail. it is IN THE RAIN. rejection all round!

how will these hearts mend?!

"half boiled is a good thing" NO

NO

NO NO NO

i reject you.

not even begging me via hardboiled crumbs is gonna work, W. you've gone too far.

bitou doesn't care about penitence. that'll probably just make him sadder!
cool she is like, mathematically eldritch!

creepydad

so the earth runs on code?

akiko gives them some time alone, v smooth.

and they get the sexy music for their make-up makeout

or make-up hand clench, whatever.

and a ballad too!

skull singing?

are we gonna pretend they weren't holding hands just out of shot?

I'LL SEE WHOEVER I WANT TO, MUM!!!!

orgasm. digital orgasm.

they had a baby!!!

moon prism power usin the rainbow crystals

"I could keep up, right?" "it was good for you too, right?"

Am I really being asked NOT to see this as a boyfriends thing now?

because every element except for the literal words being used to (not) describe it are saying: this is a boyfriends thing now.

I hate shotaro's waistcoats.

.. including the sexy candy apple force-feeding.

W33:

yet again I'm so very amused about shotaro having a baby crush on any

lady who ever goes anywhere.

the fedora: Who Wore It Better???

he wears his stupid hat for EVERYTHING, ronald mcdonald. she's not so special.

it was not that far away in the flashback. at least get the thing right.

who takes their cat for a walk??

why haven't we seen fuuto-kun since then, except for now when it's DIRECTLY referred to as significant? why isn't it on his keys all the time? even the things they establish they turn into ass-pulls.

this big empty house. it's tacky.

wakana isn't 80s wakaba any more, then? ok

yeah philip, cats and dopants are yet to go together

no wonder it ran away if you make it wear that giant collar tag

"the next day", hmm yes we couldn't have understood that from the light.

i am noticing the hourglass & clock motif yes thank u

if you're gonna have philip call it a figure-eight mark, film it vertically plz

yes W, you still did not need to tell us "the next day"

WE REMEMBER this happened FOUR MINUTES AGO

good to know that the earth has a short-term memory i guess

"eventually putting him in a coma" yes if he gets hit by a car or

whatever. but if philip just joins in this will be fine, obviously, just like it was yesterday when he did this stuff. just de-henshin, can't you? you're the strong one, we JUST learnt that.

akiko you are in public. don't yell his name.

the sonozakis are right there, don't you care? you could go outside and come back and it would still be a secret.

yeah okay great idea philip, finally

so she is the absolute worst. did he recruit her to his job and then she was.. pleasingly evil, so she was told everything when he wasn't? or did they tell her it all AFTER he was dead?
oh, they are actually going to give me backstory. ok.

W34:

what a very longwinded way of getting what she wanted, though.
making a guy repeat his fast driving is one thing, but hiring him to find a fake cat and fight through an auditorium..?

wow fake laugh or wot

even philip is wearing windscale! did they get a wholesale deal? did narumi once solve the case of the missing mannequin and secure their debt?

so she DIDNT know. so how does she know then? oh, he was diarying throughout that whole doublet I SUPPOSE.

so your work computer goes to your sister when you die, even if your wife is also the boss of your job? ok, ok, no holes in this story

fine use of the Bill & Ted there

this is appallingly tacked on. is he dying on the phone to her secretly?
it's the grand old double asspull!

it's about time shotaro made some children smile, though. orphans!

kamen rider needs orphans!

is father christmas gonna appear in this episode too?

fucking THEME of this show is people forgetting their professional boundaries, innit?

why, yet again, is she seated whilst he stands and circles her? the direction of saeko/isaka scenes consistently disempowers her, and i don't think that that's purposeful storytelling.

railings and a grey football field, definitely the most romantic view of a

beloved city!

a gun is good for basically nothing other than shooting at pixie dust, it's true

kirihiko jr's posture is not confident, one foot in front of the other like that, she does not seem cool or capable.

saeko, you're not shocked, are you?

you are??

she did hold that up before, sho.

oh okay saeko, you weren't. small mercies.

talk about freaky dopantry, do a boob-feel. i am very bored of the so-sexy abusively experimental surgery nonsense.

accel gets the face lines too? is this going to relate to shroud? are they DOING a thing with the face lines?? if they are then that surely means yet another in-series lady rider denial. i was excited for a second, but now i'm just cross again.

oh yeah, accel hates dubbleyuu, we forgot that for a while, huh? maybe he should say, like, "you killed my family" again or something

why did she lose her memories

does it matter

no

is it emotional

no

is it relevant to the show

no

why bloody bother

why.

at the end we are left in exactly the same place as we started this doublet - no one knew or remembers or misses kirihiko that we weren't already aware of. isaka is marginally weaker, in a way that has no real meaning

or importance. it was completely useless. it negated itself. why did i have to watch it?

W35:

really, REALLY, why are there recaps for stuff that has NO current relevance?

at least he has a reason for wearing that iffy necklace, then

no, no, no, no, no truck with fake pervert accusations, they are not common, don't plant that lie in the children's minds

banning catchphras. so petulant.

finally! kids episode! waiting for.

yeah yeah so half boiled to not take piggybank sure I bash my own head with a comedy squeaking hammer.

mik mik mik come here and be stroked

eat ur veg, sonozaki

this weird cold house. those really are outdoor railings.

there's distancing yourself, and then theres going to where they'll be and pushing them over when they come to you

i like rain.

v cool wet fringe formation on her, well cut hair.

did u lie when u were 17, shotaro? it can't have been philip, he's not there yet

rider jump could get you out of that wet tube, W

STOP this awful rape imagery, you freaks. a bad doctor accosting a teen girl and threatening to "put it in". which is never honestly addressed as gross. are you that unimaginative?

mixed up references. that aint that, guys.

can she become a rider? i love that fear-kills stuff. garrennnnnnn

old sonozaki just doesn't look cool.

but ok, sonozaki's been selling dopantry for ten years. i guess they could be illegal by now. so why aren't the narumi agency building a case against the dealers? was skull a regularly-seen kamen rider about town until he was killed? is THAT why the name kamen rider means something? why doesn't anyone ask where he's gone, then, as skull? why has the series only just started now, if the problem has been there for ages? it really makes shotaro and philip matter very little.

isaka looks good with flamingos behind him.

great, at the end she's grabbed by an actual pervert when at the start she faked it. what a charming bookend.

W36:

I, the Earth, Gaia, well remember many time trials. yes. i've spent my greatest afternoons at the races. Packing them away in my memories. I love a good race. I'm the Earth.

the blue one looks better, anyway

yeah a good old chuck in' rocks at you rider training sequence

not REAL rocks, but what can we do

is that honda even customised? give me a proper rider bike

aww, she shaves him. that's a nice intimacy.

how, sonozaki sr is a skilled razorman

not even a proper rider biking outfit? boo. surely people would buy that.

yaaay biking!

i love all the girlish self-blame in this series

poor saeko. it's bad to be raised with coldness and smacking.

aww sweet mik. kitty kissu.

don't catch your robo beetle from the air. you're no kabuto.

cute weird tea party. more of this plz?

does he looooooover herrrr

they gonna do it (but they aren't)

so if he dies here that was, like always, super tacked on. 2 seconds before death, welp, guess I'm not inhuman 100% and intact love you for real! oops, died.

i hate it so much when a show says "ten seconds" and then it shows like thirty.

cool gross death. bummer for saeko, though! whooooooops
hahaha neat bird!

W37:

his ease of pose says everything.

awwwwwwwwwwwwwww he looked familiar but boo.

a r-r-real case!!

the intro is my favourite part of the show but i skip it every time so I have to spend less time watching, haha

wakana's ballet outfit is nice

oh good, saeko hadn't been knocked far enough off her pedestal, lets have her ex-employees chase her through rainy alleys as gangs of men until she falls down bleeding.

i don't even. eating bugs with purple lipstick and wig in a super-obvious gosurori co-ordinate. this would work in anime i guess? or a fighting game?

satin rori. really??

the seams are puckered!

her wig is poorly styled too. cheap lace surely, with such little frill to it and a thigh memory AGAIN.

what are you playing at just throwing a hopper into kamen rider?

this is cute i guess, the phones-irl thing

there's no point evaluating wakana's character in context of her previous

appearances [horrible spoilt wakana, nice wakana, 80s wakana], so i'll just take her as current-wakana and see how that goes.

Shroud could do with a hairbrush

this is more like it, the continuing phones-url conversation between philip and wakana. but why isn't it the norm? this would be so cool in a proper series!

thematic: technology to reveal secrets using distance.

okay, suddenly throw in some detective work shotaro pulls from his cave ah, shocker-style! good!

sho why you care so much about sonozaki revelation? we haven't even spoken about them in a hundred years.

saeko keeps her one present shoe ON, because she has pride & presence falls into the water! noirish!

searching "museum" on a guy who owns a museum (shotaro visited it) is not useful.

therui's new jacket is DEFINITELY not road-safe.

"there's a possibility he's controlling the media" don't just OFFHANDEDLY MENTION that! make it count! you imbeciles.

he's a pretty bad dad

she literally just told you she wasn't into all this sonozaki evil, philip. like two minutes ago.

why why WHY does philip STAND UP to henshin when he will only FALL OVER??? lie down, stupid!

this scientist clearly should have been involved in the creation of the rider system. that's classic, but also better storytelling. erasing philip's memory is fine, but then you have to lay in your betrayal of the evil guys! not just run away!

philip, we've been over this..

W38:

philip! maybe ask him a little more. like a detective might. like he might be able to tell you. and hey, y'all know that memories can be stored and injected, so no biggie.

SCIENCE! YOU DONE IT AGAIN!

no-one push him on his lie, ok. no matter how obvious it is. it can keep. these guys and their bad suits.

lucky wakana wasn't wearing her clicky shoes today, huh? she must have a special pair of sneaking slippers

akiko has the right idea: create tangible memories, with his "new family" (of course they don't use this as her motivation or introduce it as a heartwarming concept). also i feel a vampire moment coming on - if philip can be zoomed around by codebirdrobo then maybe he won't show up, which will be meaningful somehow (good callback if it is, to the 'ghost picture' that wasn't, in the prev ep)??

okay, a train station scene seems to be upcoming, promising, ok [no payoff on this; a thirty second scene on the platform with no train or tracks in sight could have taken place anywhere and did not use any hardboiled or noir motifs]

so now seako is undressed in a bed in a strange hotel room. STOP DOING THIS.

terry what does your jacket slogan even mean?

was that kelp tea tin pov shot supposed to remind me of looking down a gun barrel for some reason?

that extra in the yellow dress lolita brand-ish dress is still about, then. it's much nicer than hopper's getup.

suddenly, we're serious and deadly emotional about whether philip will/should leave or not.

but for why? it's not real. it's just momentary.

oh, no, the cool picture invisibility did not happen. oh well.
the absent minded sugar in the coffee was nice
do these kamenphones not send text messages? TELL Wakana you'll be
LATE for a GOOD REASON.
did the scientist have to call his own ambulance?????
fairly stylish little fall from beaten hopper
we do know this, already. this was just a confirmation of what we've
been fed in bite size suggestions
that decision entails no suffering or danger for him, and all of it for
everyone else. unless ryubee will pursue them? but that's still no more
dangerous than his current life. and why do they think that wakana will
be chased with violence anyway? has she said she will? do they have
evidence that suggest sit? they haven't showed it, if they do.
socoool music.
terror would look better as an anime too. and all the physical comedy
might make more visual sense!
the writers DO have a lot more familiarity with writing for illustration,
the extras needed a bit more direction, there.
i hope akiko at least makes it out of the series without being bamboozled
by a dude with power over her

PROBLEMS:

way, way too much rape culture
shitloads of showa tips
incredibly inept integration of "important plot elements"
what have we learnt? approx: nothing
"mysteries": who is shroud and why does she care about the concept of
revenge and how does she have technology (i'm not excited; this feels
like something i'm ignorant of, not something that's ~mysterious).

foundation x i guess. why they used philip i guess? i guess you could be interested in the gaia memories but i don't really know why or what you'd want to learn. will philip.. find.. family happiness.. i guess???