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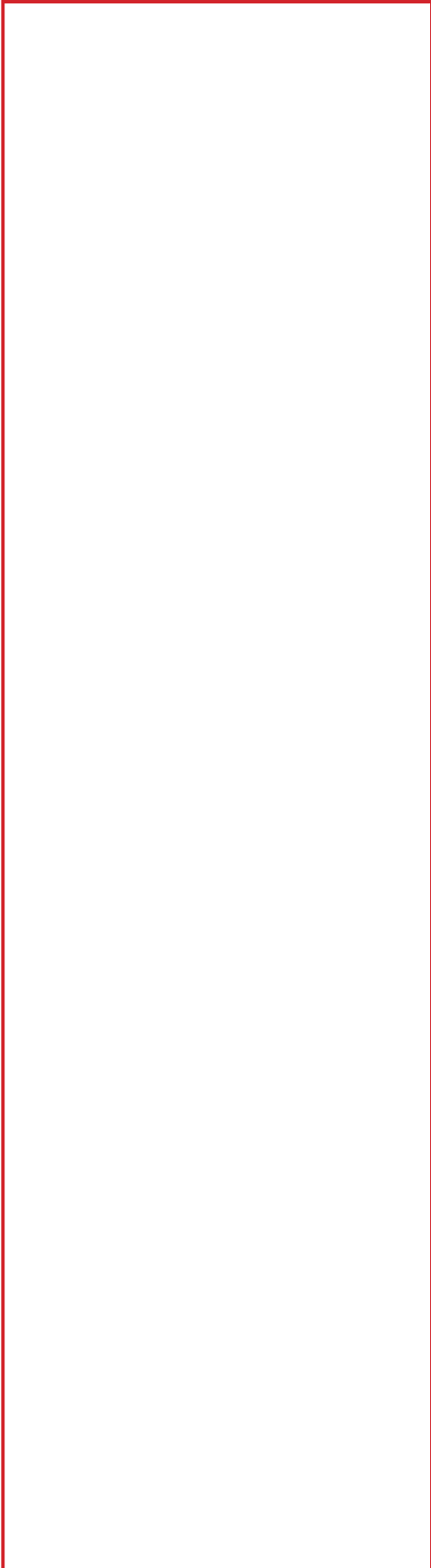
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Presenter Two: Kia ora and welcome! Tonight, we enjoy a few choice treats from the sporting table, as we sit down to a feast of contests to sort the gold from the silver... This is **Sports Desk!**

Presenter One: First up on tonight's sports menu, a serving of Paper, Scissors, and Rock. This has been a controversial event, with some claiming it's more a game of luck than skill and therefore not really a sport. But these contestants are passionate though, I can tell you that!

And so we cross now to _____ at the Triple E Arena, where the third round of the event is about to start.

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**EVENT ONE: Paper, Scissors, Rock**

Reporter: Yes well this round is between two heavyweights of Paper, Scissors, Rock — it’s the favourite up against the future of the sport, and you could cut the tension with a pair of scissors. Both their stats look good on paper but that means nothing in the arena.

Referee: Introducing, in the Red corner, the champion “Knuckles” _____, and the challenger “Fiiiiinnng-gerrrs” _____.

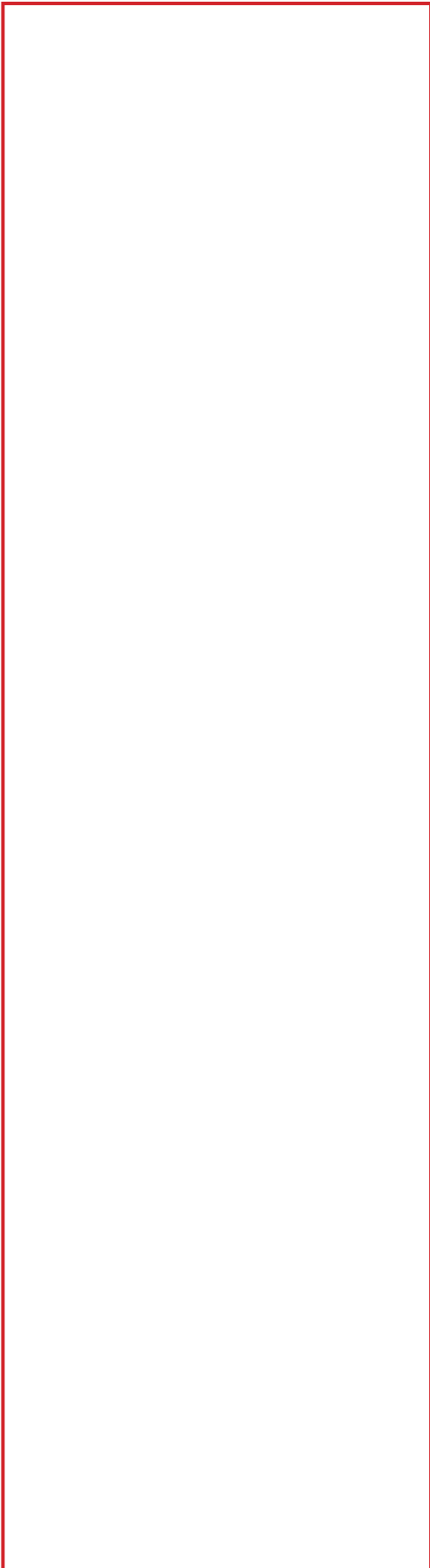
Reporter: And there’s no love lost between these two bitter rivals, there’s been a lot of trash talking and a loooooong history of mutual dislike. Let’s have a listen as the referee lays down the law:

Referee: Come in — alright you two — keep it clean, protect yourself at all times, we go on the count of three — best of three, shake hands, let’s go!

(Paper, Scissors, Rock competition here!)

Reporter: Wow, what a contest, I’m lost for words, back to you _____.

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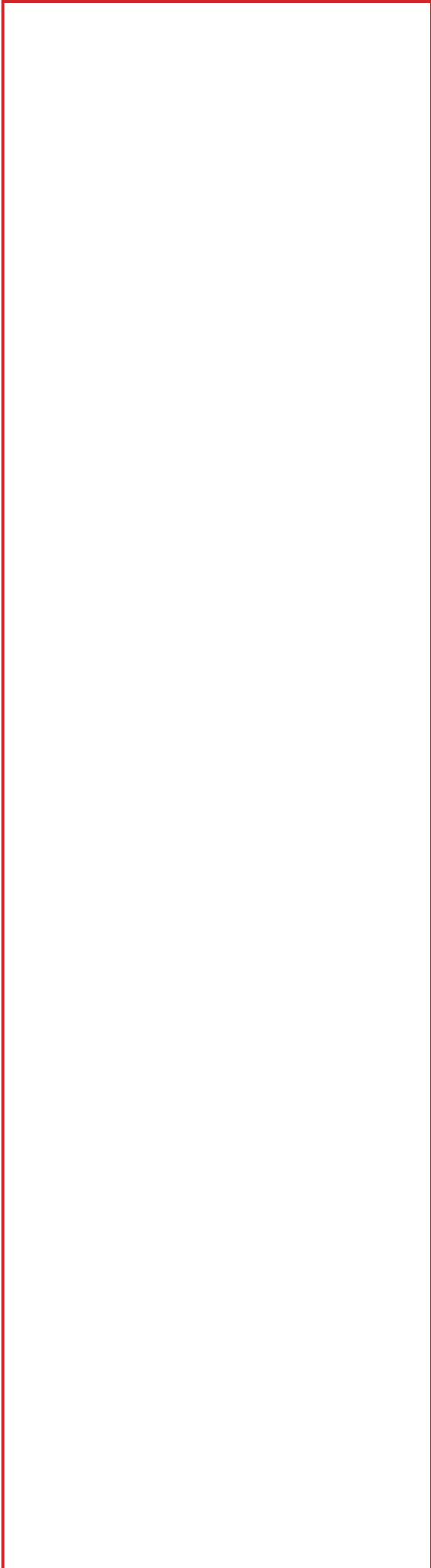


Presenter Two: Great stuff there. In other events, a veeeeery slow day at the Snail Racing. One competitor has even removed the shell from his snail in an effort to make it go faster. If anything, it's only made it more sluggish. We hope to have the results of today's race, some time tomorrow.

Presenter One: Now let's check in on the Sauna Endurance event, an examination of stamina and strength while wearing a bathrobe in a sauna. And they're clocking in now at about 2 hours and fifty.

We have _____ down there in a towel — tell me, how are the contestants progressing?

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EVENT TWO: Sauna Endurance

Reporter: Yes things are certainly heating up down here, I'm sweating like a turkey at Christmas but these contestants have been steaming away for some time. The temperature's set at 65 degrees, humidity at about 75 percent and I can tell you it's very, very cosy in here. Let's have a word with the competitors:

Q1 *So, is it hot in here, or is it just me?*

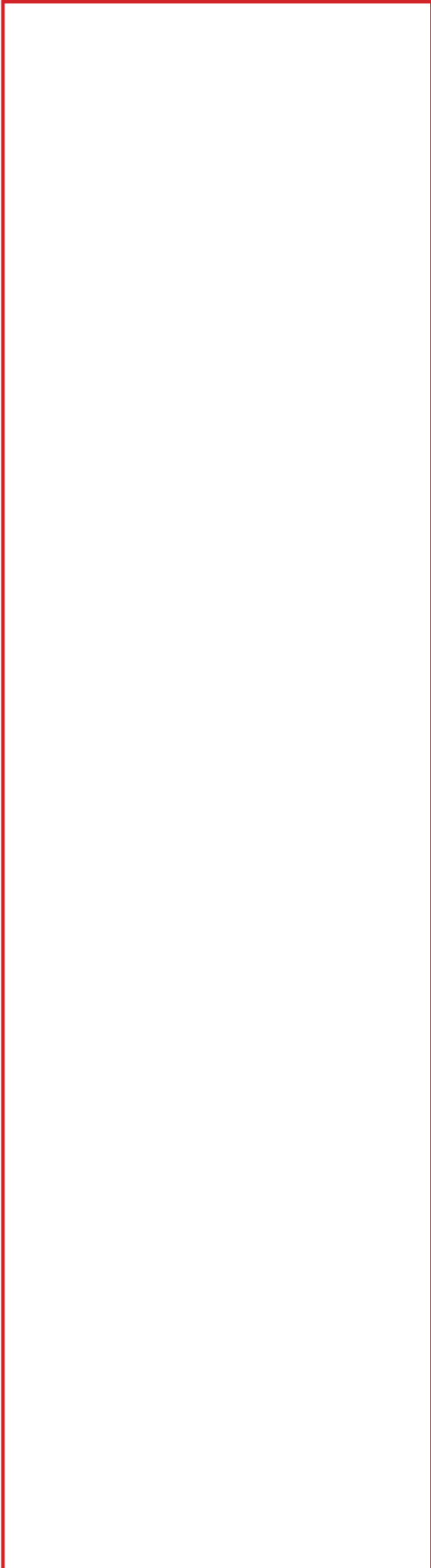
Q2 *What do you do to prepare for this event?*

Q3 *Sauna endurance is all about the mental game—how do you keep a cool head in this competition?*

Q4 *What keeps you from shrivelling up like a raisin?*

Reporter: Well, it's getting hot in here and also very difficult to see anything. Back to you _____.

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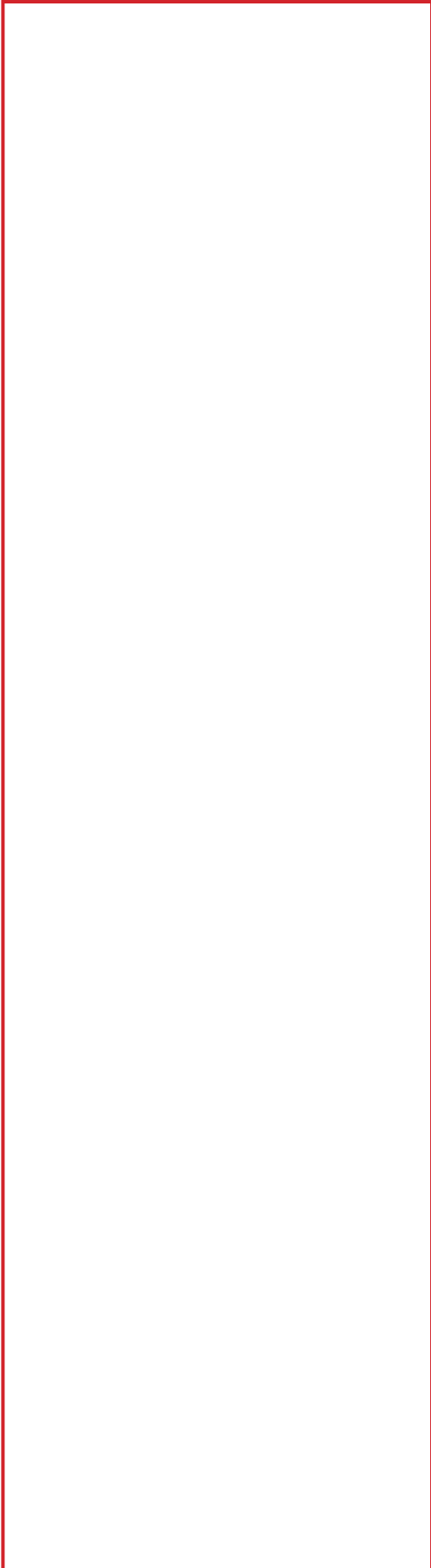
Presenter Two: Hot stuff. Now, the latest from the Cheese-rolling event, in which athletes chase a wheel of cheese down a steep grass hill in an attempt to catch it.

And it looks like the cheese won that round. So many athletes were left injured that organisers actually ran out of ambulances! Good fun.

Presenter One: Over now to the event that combines all the adrenaline of extreme sports with the satisfaction of a well-pressed shirt—I'm talking about Extreme ironing.

Let's check in with _____ who had a look at the drama unfolding as the event leaders took to their boards earlier today.

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EVENT THREE: Extreme Ironing

Reporter: Yes, this competition is really coming to a boil. I'm here with _____ who is ironing in the Amazon jungle, where there are plenty of deadly spiders and snakes to spice things up. To add to the fun, we're ironing directly under a wasp's nest

Q1 _____, *how do you feel going into this today?*

Q2 *Some people have said you are past your best and bound to lose—how do you react to that?*

Q3 *Any concerns with the location?*

Reporter: Well, all the best with your event — I'm going to throw back to the studio now, as several wasps are stinging me.

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Presenter One: And things are heading downhill from here as we join the Shopping Trolley Race. In this event, danger loving daredevils race through crowded city streets clinging to a shopping trolley.

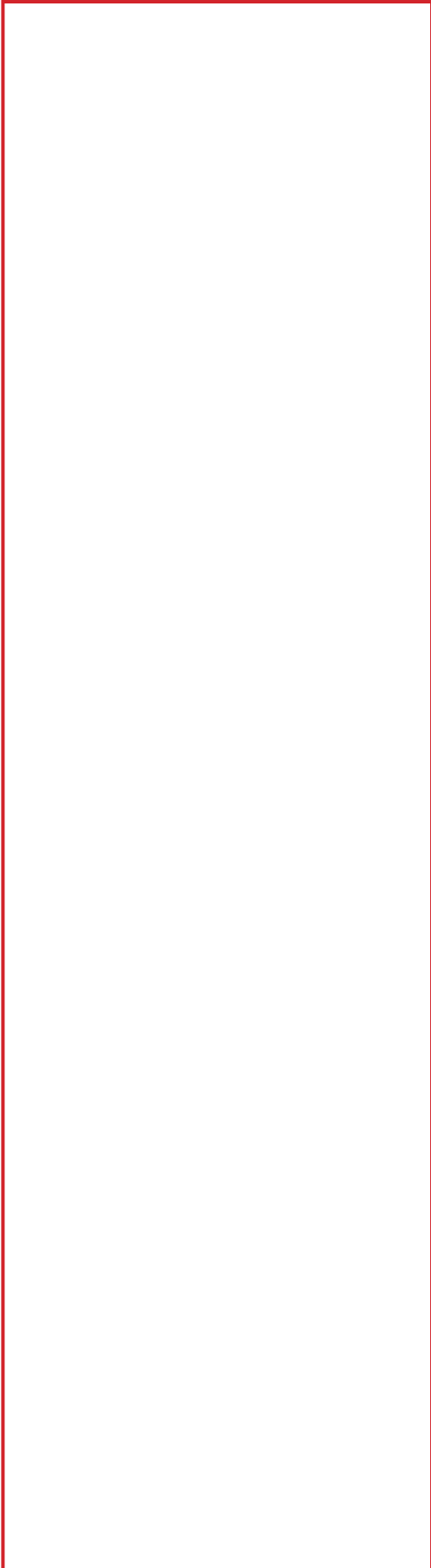
The goal is to cross the finish line first but judges will also be rewarding costume, sabotage and trickery.

Organisers say “we do not care how fast you are — we care how awesome you are!”

Now, a reminder to viewers at home that traffic is not stopped for the race. The whole thing is extremely risky, so expect to see some chaos in the CBD!

We go now to our reporter _____, who is risking life and limb to join the race today.

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**EVENT FOUR: Shopping Trolley Racing**

Reporter In The Trolley: Yes, I am in the trolley with some of these crazy contestants as we AAARGHGH and here we go — watch out for that bus! So tell me:

Q1 *Why did you take up this bizarre sport?*

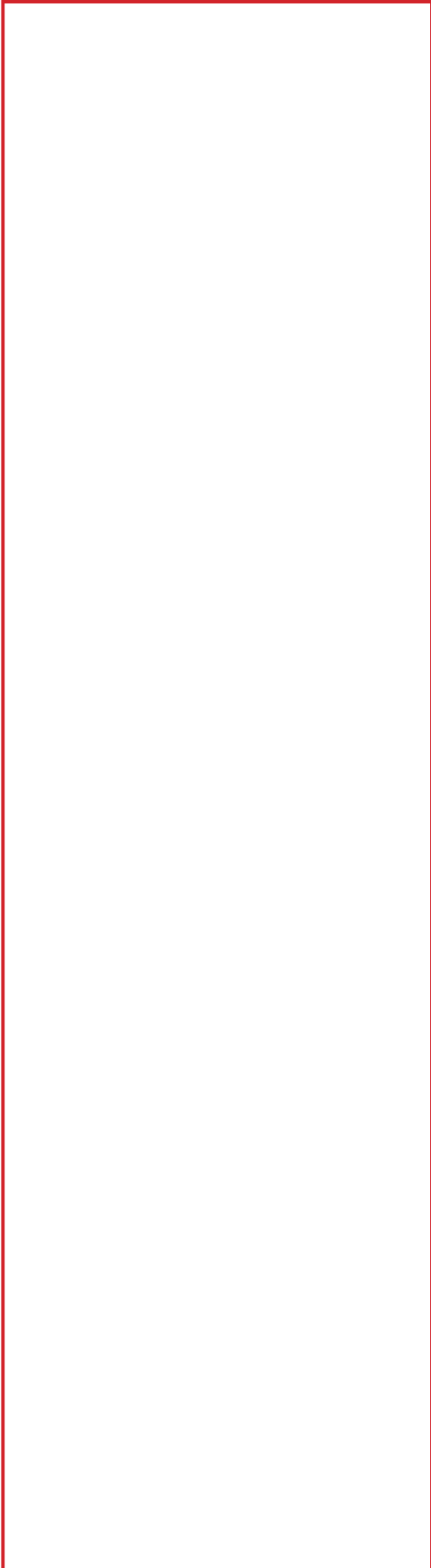
Q2 *AAAARRGH LOOKOUT! You've had to deal with a lot of injuries while preparing for this event — what were some of them?*

Q3 *What sort of chance do you think you have of winning this?*

Reporter: Corner coming up!!

Well I think we're about to crash in spectacular style, so back to you at the Sports Desk!

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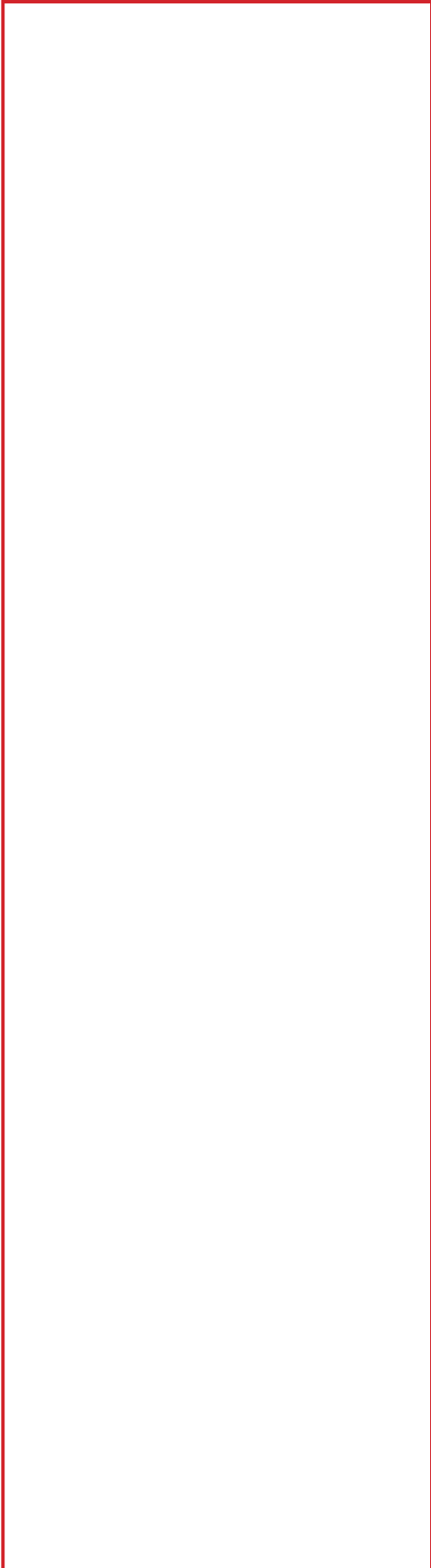
Presenter Two: Now that we've got a taste for blood, let's check in on the combination of brains and brawn that is Chess Boxing.

Competitors here try to win the contest either through checkmating their opponent on the chessboard, or by overpowering them in the boxing ring.

This event is always a battle! It's all about who wants it more, who takes the opportunities when they come along, and who comes out on top.

We get in the ring with medal hopeful _____ after his/her victory/defeat.

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EVENT FIVE: Chess Boxing

Reporter: Yes, I'm here with _____, after their latest match.

Q1 So, _____, *what happened out there?*

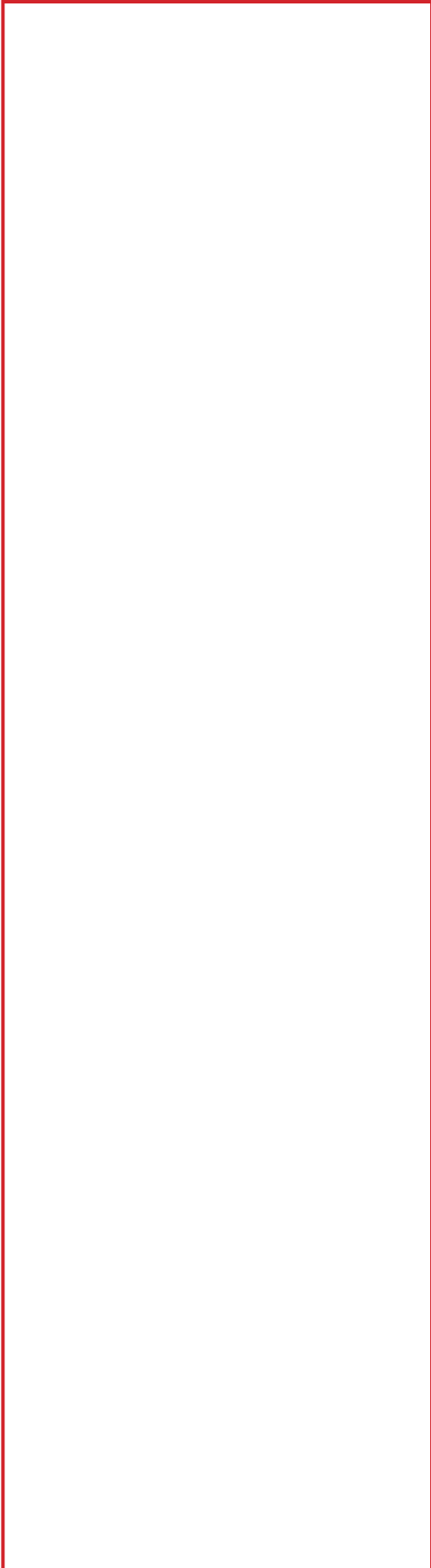
Q2 *Three minutes of chess, three minutes in the boxing ring — five times over! How do you prepare for such a diverse challenge?*

Q3 *After all the hard work you've put into training, what reaction have your coaching team had to today's contest?*

Q4 *What next for you?*

Reporter: Well there you have it, good luck for the rest of the tournament. Back to the Sports Desk.

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Presenter One: And that's it for this edition of Sports Desk. They say statistics tell the whole story, but these games don't happen on paper, they happen on the telly.

Presenter Two: We'll be back tomorrow with another serving of the world's silliest sports but until then ka kite ano, and good night!

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