

Boxing - Cockell V Bacilieri

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The battle of the "forge" at Leicester, between former Blacksmith, Don Cockell (in striped shorts) now British heavyweight champion. And Uber Bacilieri, the Italian champion - known to the fans as "the Iron Man". In round five - Cockell slipped - after missing with a sledgehammer blow. But before the round was out - he was back ^{again} hammering a few dents into that iron frame.

For months now - Britain's champion has been fighting a losing battle against his weight. He just gets heavier and heavier. So when the Italian back-pedalled - ~~he~~ ^{Cockell} just hadn't the speed to nail him good and proper. After ten rounds - Bacilieri was still on his feet - despite the pounding he had taken. So Cockell won on points. Perhaps he should have put a horse-shoe into his glove - just for luck.