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of Edinburgh was out racing in his yacht, "Coweslip" - which, it will be remembered, was a gift to him from the people of Cowes...

the helm, finished fourth in a class of eighteen - two minutes eleven

Our holiday sports round-up opens with the Duke losing the toss to Sir William Becher, in a charity cricket match - watched by a huge crowd, at Badminton.

The Duke's eleven included eight test cricketers. Their rivels, the Duke of Beaufort's eleven, took first knock, and faced a hostile field - with Prince Philip in the slips.

During the innings, the Duke bowled eight overs - but found South African test star, Jack McGlew in top form. McGlew made eighty-one.

out - to win;

Prince Philip made a merry contribution - hitting three boundaries in scoring twenty-two in fifteen minutes.

Finally, that wily old veteran, Tom Goddard bowled the Duke; but not before his side was set for victory.....by four wickets...

Another sporting occasion brought a famous French heroine to Britain.

It was Mile Genevieve de Galard, the "Angal" of Dien Bien Phu - who came as the nurse to the French team - competing in the Wheelchair Olympics" at the National Spinal Injuries Centre, Stoke Mandeville.

A record entry from eighteen countries took part

The "Wheelchair Basketball" championship brought a series of keenly-four matches - and one couldn't help admiring the wonderful spirit of these partially-paralysed pixxxxxxx

This event was won by the English team...and paying tribute to a brave company - Dr. Roger Bannister, (the world's first four-minute miler) presented the prizes to the Olympic heroes of 1955...