

BLIND BOXING BOUT

Rome stages the year's silliest sport - blindfold boxing. Contestants take the ring four at a time, and the only rule is: No Peeping. When things fail to warm up, the girls take a hand.

Italy's latest craze seems tame compared with the gerrier thrills of Ancient Rome's arenas.

Wartime gladiators in Britain remember how it was just like this - trying to kiss a girl in the blackout.