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It's a sporting weekend for the Duke of Edinburgh too. At Badminton Cricket Club, he captains a side against the Duke of Beaufort's eleven, in aid of the National Playing Fields Association. That one's gone to the boundary. The Duke of Edinburgh believes in hitting hard.

Pat Smythe is among the spectators.

The Duke's out for 22, bowled by Tom Goddard of Gloucester and England. Not a bad score, when you consider that these are all first-class cricketers. But then the Duke is no mere patron of sport - he's a sportsman in his own right, a skilled yachtsman as well as a sound cricketer. At Cowes Regatta, he enters his racing dinghy Coweslip, in the Flying Fifteen class, with Uffa Fox as crew.

There's not much breeze as they assemble for the starting gun. All the more need for skill.

The Duke, reviving the traditional Royal interest in Cowes Week, is playing a great part in restoring the Royal Yacht Squadron's Regatta to its former glory. And a very practical part, too.

Back on dry land for the athletics meeting between Britain and Germany at the White City. The big event of the contest is the three miles, with Chataway and Ibbotson racing Schade and Konrad of Germany. The British runners plan to pace each other alternately.

While that's going on, let's watch the pole vault. Thanks of Germany clears twelve feet. Now it's Britain Geoff Elliott - hullo, he's down! His pole has snapped. That was a nasty pile up - is he hurt?

All's well! He's badly shaken, but he tried again - and won... Back to the three miles, where the British pair's strategy is working well. Ibbotson's leading Chataway, with the Germans toiling behind. Now it's Chataway turn to set the pace again. Ibbotson's on his heels ready to take over, and Schade's third.

Now it's Ibbotson once more.

On the last lap it's every man for himself, and Chris Chataway streaks ahead long before the finish. He's got the race in the bag, but he's all out for a new world record as well! Will he make it?

Yes, the record is his, as he clears himself at the tape in 13 minutes 23 point 2 seconds - beating Russian Vladimir Kuts' world record by over three seconds! What a curtainraiser for his meeting with Kuts in Moscow next month!!