

Bizarre things that people do with eggs

The World Egg Throwing Championship

This took place in Lincolnshire, England in June, 2012. The championship is comprised of five disciplines; Egg Throwing, Egg Static Relay, Egg Target Throwing, Russian Egg Roulette and Egg Trebuchet Challenge.

In accordance with rules, Egg Throwing comprises two-person teams, the winner being the team that can throw and catch an egg over the greatest distance. The team members start off 10 metres apart. After each throw each member moves further apart.

Teams from as far apart as Germany and South Africa had gathered for the event. The Dutch won the distance-throwing event by tossing a raw egg 40m but failed to break their own record of 63.2m.

The sport dates back to 1322 when a newly appointed local Abbot ensured church attendance by providing each peasant with an egg. However, when the local river flooded that year, the monks were forced to hurl the eggs over to the waiting peasants who were unable to attend the service.