



Sport Pot Luck 33

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1. Swimming, cycling, and running
2. Volleyball
3. Football
4. Squash
5. Paula Radcliffe
6. Surfing
7. Golf
8. High Jump
9. Pato
10. His false teeth
11. Oaks Stakes
12. Cricket

1. The Ironman Triathlon includes a 2.4-mile swim, a 112-mile bike ride, and a full marathon — all in one day!
2. The name "Mintonette" was later changed to volleyball after observers noticed players volleying the ball back and forth!
3. These rules laid the foundation for the Laws of the Game, and were instrumental in separating football from rugby.
4. Peter Nicol later switched nationality from Scotland to England during his career — a rare move in professional sports.
5. Despite stopping mid-race, Radcliffe still won by over a minute and went on to become the women's marathon world record holder.
6. The Banzai Pipeline is considered one of the most dangerous surf spots in the world, known for its powerful waves and shallow reef.
7. Dame Laura Davies has over 80 professional wins, making her one of the most successful female golfers in history.
8. The "Fosbury Flop" was named after Dick Fosbury, who revolutionized the event by jumping back-first over the bar at the 1968 Olympics.
9. The name "Pato" means "duck" in Spanish, because early versions of the game were played with a live duck in a basket!
10. Blethen once put his dentures in his back pocket, then slid into a base — and bit himself!
11. The Epsom Derby, established in 1780, inspired the names of many races worldwide — including the Kentucky Derby.
12. The 22-yard strip in the center of a cricket field is called the "pitch", and it's the heart of the game's action.