

Boxing



Ancient Greek boxing was a combative fight with the hands covered by leather thongs seeded with sharp shards of metal

Modern boxing also has brutal origins in bare-knuckle prize fights that went on for hours. The first recorded match took place in 1681 when the **Duke of Albemarle** arranged for his butler and butcher to fight each other. A later British aristocrat, the 8th **Marquis of Queensberry**, formulated new rules in 1867 which required combatants to fight in gloves for rounds of three minutes duration