

accident, balance, bottom, competitors, crash barriers, crazy, crowd, failed, ground, injured, protect, prize, races, slope, spectators, steep, top, tradition, wheel

"Cheese Rolling" has been a (1) _____ in the town of Brockworth since the early 1800s.

First, the (2) _____ come together at the (3) _____ of Cooper's Hill and wait.

Then, someone pushes a very large (4) _____ of cheese down the steep (5) _____. And after that, things get a little wild! The cheese may reach up to 40 miles per hour. The competitors go pretty fast, too. The first one to the (6) _____ wins. What's the (7) _____? The wheel of cheese--of course!

The first winner of the day is Craig Brown, a pub worker. Craig's plan was simple...

Craig: Keep going, cause, you know, and try to get your (8) _____ back. Because it's steeper than you could ever think. You'd have to run down there to really believe how (9) _____ it is!

Many people enjoy the cheese-rolling (10) _____, however, they can be dangerous. A few years ago, 30 people were (11) _____ in an (12) _____ at a race. One of the cheeses rolled down the hill too quickly ... and unexpectedly went into the (13) _____. Now, the competition route has (14) _____ to (15) _____ the crowd.

It's not just the (16)_____ who get injured, competitors do as well ... especially when it's cold or there hasn't been much rain.

Morris dancer: It's when the (17)_____ 's really hard ... that's when the injuries are going to happen.

Craig's plan to just "keep on going" (18)_____ in his second race. At the time, he was trying to get the competition's version of a "double"--winning two cheese wheels in one-day.

So what drives these runners? Are they crazy? One cheese runner thinks they may be ...

Cheese Racer: It is dangerous. If I'm running down ... must be crazy. Yeah, I must be (19)_____!

These cheese racers may be crazy. But year after year the crowds keep on cheering, and the competitors keep on running. Is it for the fame? Is it for the fun? We may never know, but you can be sure of one thing ... it's more than just cheese that makes people want to win Brockworths' annual cheese-rolling race!

Answers:

"Cheese Rolling" has been a (1) tradition in the town of Brockworth since the early 1800s.

First, the (2) competitors come together at the (3) top of Cooper's Hill and wait.

Then, someone pushes a very large (4) wheel of cheese down the steep (5) slope. And after that, things get a little wild! The cheese may reach up to 40 miles per hour. The competitors go pretty fast, too. The first one to the (6) bottom wins. What's the (7) prize? The wheel of cheese--of course!

The first winner of the day is Craig Brown, a pub worker. Craig's plan was simple...

Craig: Keep going, cause, you know, and try to get your (8) balance back. Because it's steeper than you could ever think. You'd have to run down there to really believe how (9) steep it is!

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