



■ Winner James Peart (16), from Rodborough, prepares to throw his brick.

Picture: Gavin Crilly

James is champion brick thrower

STRATFORD PARK: BRICK and rolling pin throwers pitched their best shots in the sweltering heat of Stratford Park on Saturday.

The unusual international competition is held annually between the four Strouds of Britain, Canada, USA and Australia.

Rodborough's James Peart (16) won the brick contest in Gloucestershire, throwing a

distance of 122ft 9ins to win the Arthur Ellis Cup.

While the best woman's pin throw was completed by Sharon Griffin won the Stroud Cup by throwing her rolling pin 125 ft 9ins.

Contest organiser Eunice Guy from Thrupp said the results from Canada, the USA and Australia would not be collated for another week as Australia was not

holding its contest until this weekend.

Back in Gloucestershire, where four visitors from Australia's Stroud joined the watching crowds, Mr Peart's father James threw 88 ft 5ins in the Champion of Champions' brick class.

His daughter, James' sister Susan, threw 123ft 1in in the ladies' Champion of Champions class.

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