

MEDIEVAL FOOTBALL, FLORENCEScene I.

Time went back to the year 1530 in the Signoria Square in Florence when a great crowd assembled to watch an annual ceremony based on a long forgotten struggle between political factions. It is rich in pageantry, in colourful parades, and unexpectedly has for its centrepiece a football.

Scene 18.

Op The game seems to be a cross between Rugby League / American football, the Eton Wall Game and unarmed combat with just a touch of patacake patacake bakers man thrown in for luck.

Scene 22.

77 The whole thing had the carefree atmosphere of a Sunday school treat with no holds barred and for the matter of that no bars holed, and it delighted the spectators, Italian and visitors alike. In case you want to know the whites won.