



Baines Third Lanark Football Trade Card

John Baines

£95



REF: 29505

Diameter: 7.2 cm (2.8")

## Description

Baines Football Trade Card, Third Lanark.

A rare circular football trade card in the shape of a leather football ball. Made by the toy shop owner from Bradford, John Baines. Baines went on to produce not only football cards but eventually covered scores of different sports, from golf, cricket, tennis to horse racing and bowls, and just about any kind of sporting affiliations in just about every city, town and village in the UK. The cards were promoted in various prize competitions like finding certain "medal cards", collection a certain amount of empty packets. One could always submit a mini essay on sport with the winner having their writing printed on the backs of the cards. Hence why the backs are so varied and different.

The Baines card offered for sale is printed in a blue tone with a picture of a three football players, one about to head the ball, to the front with the words 'Well Dribbled, Third Lanark'. To the reverse 'Dear Sir, I can hardly express my thanks to you for my prize, which I received on my sending you 12 Medal Cards and a Rhyme, and I hope I have the luck to win one next year. I remain , Yours truly REGINALD CARRUTHERS. J. Baines, Sole Inventor And originator of the Famous Packet of Cricket and Football Cards, 32 Oak Lane, Bradford, reg. No. 80,607'.