

Baines, Ripon Cricket Trade Card

John Baines

£85



REF: 29468

Diameter: 7.2 cm (2.8")

Description

Baines Cricket Trade Card, Ripon. Well Hit.

A rare circular cricket trade card in the shape of a leather cricket ball with seam. 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 red tone with a picture of a two young girls playing cricket on the front with the words 'Well Hit, Ripon'. To the reverse '24th March 1919, Essay Letter from Boy, The ball was centred and the whistle blew, Morley got his hair off as he flew down the wing; He passed it to Mortimer, who didn't know what to do. He passed it back to Morley and Morley put it through. A. Davies, 25 Dale Street, Whittlefield, Burnley, Age 12 years. J. Baines, 32 Oak Lane, Bradford, reg. No. 80,607'.