

Bell Ringing Mouse Mats

These mouse mats are a perfect gift idea for your ringing friends, birthdays or Christmas presents, you might just want to treat yourself. Each mat has a photograph from the peal records of Rupert Richardson. Rupert was Master of the Lincoln Guild from 1933 to his death at the age of 64 in 1947. He represented the Guild on the Central Council for 44 years.

The Reverend H Law James taught Rupert to ring at Surfleet. In 1923 he married Annie Parkin, a ringer at Woodston in Peterborough. Their only child, Mrs Enid Wayman still lives in Surfleet and it is with her kind permission that I have been able to photograph the peal books. Enid was also an accomplished ringer and rang many peals with her father. The illustrations were drawn, coloured and bound by Ernest Morris, a great friend of Ruperts. Ernest wrote many books on bell ringing including 'The History and Art of Change Ringing' and 'Towers and Bells of Britain'.

<p><i>The Lincoln Diocesan Guild At 'Gipsy Green' Surfleet. On Friday, August 25th 1922, in 2 hours 17 minutes, on 8 bells, Peal Type 12 in G, a peal of Bob Major 5,036 changes. In this first peal were rung in eight changes: 1. Bob Major 2. Surprise 3. Maximus 4. Surprise 5. Surprise 6. Maximus 7. Surprise 8. Bob Major Composed by F. J. Hopkins Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON</i></p>	<p><i>Lincoln Cathedral. The Lincoln Diocesan Guild On Saturday, December 12th 1925, in 3 hours 17 minutes, in 8 bells, Peal of 5,370 changes. Cambridge Surprise Maximus X. Leslie Park Bob Major..... 2 Harry Rogers..... 1 Robert Richardson..... 2 John S. Colclough..... 1 Rupert Richardson..... 2 Maria Weston..... 1 Frederick G. Fletcher..... 1 John D. Freeman..... 1 John D. Freeman..... 1 John D. Freeman..... 1 Composed and Conducted by the Revd H. Law Jones First peal on the augmented ring of 8 bells in the tower First peal of Maximus for all the bells, though the conductor was not a member of the Guild.</i></p>	<p><i>The Lincoln Diocesan Guild On Thursday, January 24th 1928, in 3 hours 17 minutes, at the church of Boston. Bob Major, being the first peal on the bells since Tower built 1510. Second changes. Tour about 1510 to restoring & rehanging by Messrs J. Taylor & Co. George Godwin..... 1 John Clegg..... 2 John D. Freeman..... 2 William E. Clarke..... 2 John M. Day..... 2 Frederick Leggett..... 2 John A. Green..... 2 R. Rupert Richardson..... 2 Composed by Wynford J. Pilkington Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON</i></p>
<p>Surfleet qty:</p> <p><i>On Monday, Dec 2nd 1923, in 2 hours 31 minutes, was rung on 8 bells, Tower 12 in E, Bob Major 5,036 changes. On board the SS 'Bardic' Cape Suez Red Sea Asia Europe Africa Composed by CH. Martin Conducted by R. Richardson This is the first peal ever rung on the Red Sea. Ring between Lat 26°48'N Long 34°45'E & Lat 25°16'N Long 35°45'E. Distance travelled 35 miles.</i></p>	<p>Lincoln qty:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£5</p> <p>each</p>	<p>Boston qty:</p>
<p>Red Sea qty:</p>		

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