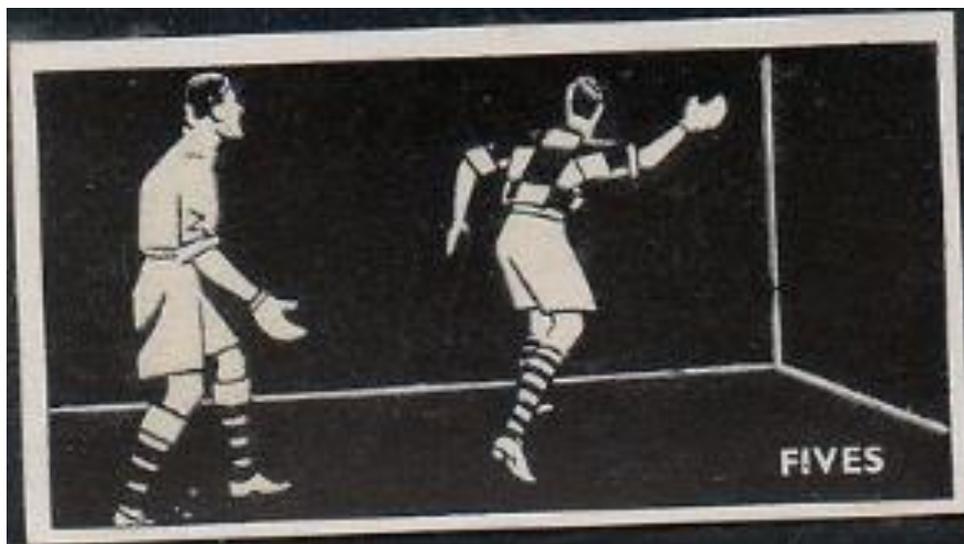
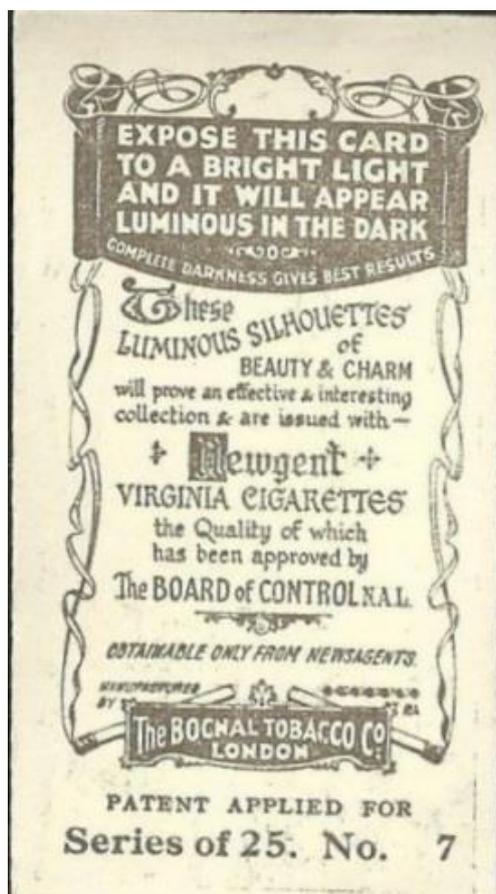


## Bocnal Tobacco Cards 1938

In 1938 The Bocnal Tobacco Company, London, produced a set of 25 Sporting cigarette cards. These “glow in the dark” cigarette cards series were entitled “Luminous Silhouettes of Charm & Beauty” and No. 16 in the series was “Fives”. As can be seen from the image below, the Fives card is clearly Rugby Fives.



The reverse of each card contained the following:



## The full set of cards

A rather poor quality image showing 24 of the full set of 25 cards is shown below. At least a flavour of the content can be seen:



The full list of sports covered in the series is:

- 1 Fishing
- 2 Skittles
- 3 Golf
- 4 Squash
- 5 Cricket
- 6 Rowing
- 7 Deck Tennis
- 8 Badminton
- 9 Billiards
- 10 Swimming
- 11 Cycling
- 12 Table Tennis
- 13 Fencing
- 14 Darts
- 15 Hurdling
- 16 Fives
- 17 Steeplechasing
- 18 Greyhound Racing
- 19 Hockey
- 20 Ice Hockey
- 21 Rugby
- 22 Running
- 23 Tennis
- 24 High Jump
- 25 Football

It is of interest to the History of Rugby Fives that the game was considered sufficiently high profile in 1938 for the game to be included in a set of just 25 activities.