



Lifeboats

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“ASHOKAN FAREWELL” CD CONTINUES TO HELP RNLI LIFEBOAT CREWS

Over ten years after its release this remarkable recording has, once again, been listed high up in Classic FM’s 2008 Hall of Fame at No. 22 out of 300!

The recording *“Ashokan Farewell”* by the Band of H.M. Royal Marines Plymouth in 1995 has been consistently one of the most requested pieces of music on Classic FM Radio and other radio stations. With the superb violin solo of the title track by the then Director of Music, Major John Perkins, with the Band of H. M. Royal Marines Plymouth, the evocative piece has captured the listeners attention in a big way over a long period.

Sales of the recording, by the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, are producing valuable funds as all profits from RNLI sales go to help run the charity. This results from the special partnership between the RNLI, the Royal Marines and Clovelly Recordings to help our lifeboat crew volunteers in their work saving lives at sea.

There is a continuous big demand for the recording, which also includes outstanding virtuoso solos by other members of the band in the brilliant production, recorded at Abbey Road studios.

It is one of many high quality CDs listed by the RNLI Music Division which have gained a great reputation amongst music lovers worldwide.

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- The RNLI is a registered charity that saves lives at sea.
- It provides, on call, the 24-hour service necessary to cover search and rescue requirements to 100 nautical miles out from the coasts of the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland.
- There are over 230 lifeboat stations.
- The RNLI depends on voluntary contributions and legacies for its income.

Vision

To be recognised universally as the most effective, innovative and dependable lifeboat service.

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