

News & Views

Dear Friends,

Hello and another warm welcome. We are approaching December which means one thing! That's right "CHRISTMAS" but, before we settle down, unwind and relax over the festive break we still have work to do.

We are on the home run. We are delighted to bring you some show stopping auctions. Starting with our Dolls & Teddy Bears three-day auction. You do not want to miss this, approximately 1400 lots, it's fabulous! Starting Monday 22nd November at 12 noon and finishing Wednesday 24th November.

Tuesday 14th December, Trains Galore one of our signature auctions always delivers a punch to end the year, however, not to be outdone, we travel up to the midlands to draw the curtain on 2021 and present Antiques & Collectables, Thursday 23rd December. It's shaping up to be Dudley's biggest auction this year with a huge single owner collection of cameras, projectors, film, lenses and memorabilia.

That's it for now, good luck bidding and we'll see you soon!

From the team at SAS



Hammer Highlight of the Month so far...

Music & Entertainment

Tuesday 16th Newbury at Newbury

Lot 61 [The Beatles / White Album / 0000002

The Beatles / White Album / 0000002, The Beatles ("White Album") Double LP - original UK Mono Release 1968 - Apple PMC 7067/8, -1/-1/-1/-1 matrix endings - Top opening, numbered (0000002), embossed, fully laminated Gatefold Garrod and Lofthouse sleeve with Inner flipbacks. This album is one of a large collection of Beatles items from a late Beatles collector that we have been and will be auctioning (including a Butcher Sleeve and many early UK Stereo original LPs). According to legend, the first five numbers were given to George Martin and the Beatles themselves and we are fully aware that a number 2 sleeve sold at auction a few years ago so we have researched this area thoroughly and there is speculation that whilst the Stereo releases were thought to begin at 300,000 some sleeves were stamped with the lowest numbers at the beginning of the run so that there may be two of number 0000001, 2, 3 etc (There is no way to distinguish between original Mono and Stereo sleeves). Also it is quite possible that numbers were tested on sleeves to ensure they printed correctly before the print run began and that one or two of those sleeves made it out of the warehouse. Either way, we are satisfied that the sleeve is genuine! - with Black Inners and Lyric poster - Sleeve has some creasing (VG) but the number is nice and clear, Inners VG+, Poster VG+, Vinyl went under the hammer at our Newbury Saleroom on Tuesday 16th November for **£20,000 plus BP**





Other Hammer Highlights

Auction Highlight - Antiques & Collectables

Lot 205 Two 19th century silk and embroidered circular fixed pan leaf fans, one with black lacquered surround and handle snapped off, the other also lacking handle, but two spare handles present, together with a fine silk embroidered fan case (6) went under the hammer at our Newbury Saleroom on Tuesday 2nd November for **£3,000 plus BP**

Auction Highlight - Popular Diecast, Figures & Toys

Lot 336 Creative Master Northcord London Region Double Decker Buses, a cased group all with card sleeves of modern 1:76 scale models, comprises Alexander Dennis Enviro 400 models, 6001, 6025, 6501, 6024, 6008, 6031, 6033, 6017, 6002, 6003, 6006, 6020, Volvo Olympians 4003, 4006 and Leyland Olympian Megabus Hkbus 2005, some models have been displayed, G-E, Cases G-E, (15) went under the hammer at our Newbury Saleroom on Tuesday 9th November for **£700 plus BP**



Auction Highlights - Music & Entertainment

Auction Highlights - Jewellery, Silver, Watches & Coins

Lot 437 Gibson Les Paul Custom Guitar, a Gibson Les Paul Custom 1957 reissue with Bigsby, ebony with trim, three pickups, in very good condition with Gibson Certificate stating model LPB3 S/N 71724 (denotes year 2002) with a few very slight bumps and scratches from use, in a quality Gibson case with strap, lead, spare strings, clamp and a boxed Hercules guitar stand went under the hammer at our Newbury Saleroom on Tuesday 16th October for **£2,300 plus BP**

Lot 555 An early 1980s Rolex Oyster Perpetual Sea Dweller stainless steel gentleman's wristwatch, 41mm case with gas escape valve, Ref. 1655, black dial with dot and baton numerals and date aperture, Mercedes hour hand and second hand with dot, black bezel, rear cover marked Rolex Patent Oyster Gas Escape Valve, appears to run, domed plastic glass, on Rolex Oyster bracelet with fold over clasp, numbered 93150, with box ref. no. 67.00.08, Rolex anchor tag, serial number tag marked 6655091, maroon plastic tag, Oyster booklet and outer card box went under the hammer on at our Newbury Saleroom on Wednesday 12th October for **£11,000 plus BP**

Last few auctions coming up in November



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Dolls & Teddy Bears - Three Day Auction Newbury

Monday 22nd November at noon
Tuesday 23rd November at 10.30am
Wednesday 24th November at 11.00am

Order of Auction

Monday 22nd November 2021 at 12 noon

The Margaret and Gerry Grey Collection of Steiff limited edition teddy bears and animals and other modern makers

Lots 1 to 278

Tuesday 23rd November 2021 at 10.30am

Teddy Bears and Dolls' Houses

Lots 279 to 899

Lots 279 to 397 - Recent Limited Edition and Collectable

Teddy Bears including the Jo Rothery Collection.

Lots 398 to 729 - Antique and Vintage Teddy Bears and Soft Toys including the Julia Morgan-Swinhoe and Freda Neal Collections.

Lots 729 to 837 - Dolls' Houses and Chattels

Lots 838 to 899 - The Betty Fox Collection of Dolls' House Dolls and Chattels

Wednesday 24th November at 11.00am

Dolls including the Betty Fox Collection and Traditional Toys

Lots 900-914 - Post-War Dolls

Lots 915 to 944 - Antique Dolls

Lots 944 to 1198 - The Betty Fox Collection of Dolls

Lots 1199 to 1296 - Antique and Vintage Dolls

Lots 1297 to 1429 - Traditional Toys

Auction coming up.....

Antiques & Collectables



Antiques & Collectables
Thursday 25th November at 10.00am
Dudley

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Thursday 25th November Dudley 10am

Special Auction Services are thrilled to announce their next auction in the Midlands is set up and ready to be sold 25th November 2021 albeit behind closed doors.

Please note this is a non-attended auction. Viewing for all auctions strictly by appointment, please call the office 01384 931001 or email dudley@specialauctionservices.com to check availability. We are still offering viewings and valuations via WhatsApp or video calling.

You can register to bid via our website www.specialauctionservices.com. If you are a successful bidder you will be emailed an invoice. Upon receipt of payment via bank transfer, your items can be made ready for collection by appointment only. This also applies for courier collection. We are unable to offer in house postage yet in Dudley but recommend That's Your Lot based locally in Wombourne on 01902 475212 or info@thats-your-lot.co.uk. www.thats-your-lot.co.uk/contact or Mailboxes Wolverhampton on 01902 422700

Order of Auction

Jewellery & Silver 1 – 119
Objets d'art 120 – 364
Furniture 365-398
Toys 399 – 480

Final auction in November



**Phonographs, Gramophones
and Related Matter**
Tuesday 30th November 2021 at 14.00

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Mechanical Music Tuesday 30th November Newbury 10am

The property of the late Mike Appleton Lot 1 to Lot 83

Mike Appleton (1936-2020) was a television producer, particularly remembered for The Old Grey Whistle Test and for his co-ordination of Bob Geldof's Anglo-American Live Aid concert in 1985, for which he won a BAFTA award.

At home, he amassed an astonishingly comprehensive collection of Edison phonographs and related material, much of it imported from the USA, although he also had an interest in the British rival Edison-Bell, whose later, less well-known models were markedly different from Edison's. One, the Homestead (Lot 18 in the present sale) may be the only known example. The bulk of the collection was sold in the 1990s pending a house move, leaving the smaller but representative selection now being offered for sale (Lots 1 – 83). Except where otherwise noted, the machines appear to be in sound working order, but many have not been played in recent years and are dry of lubricant.

The Property of the late Graham Webb Lot 139 to Lot 167

Graham Webb (1930-2005) was born in Oxford but moved to London at the start of the War. By the end of the war, he was working for a roofing contractor, then, after serving in the Royal Navy, as a steward on an ocean liner. A job in the auction department of Whiteleys (many department stores held auctions at that time) led to working for an antiques dealer, selling fireplaces removed from bombed-out houses.

It was in 1963 that he opened his own shop in the Portobello Road, and there he discovered, by a chance purchase of a stack

of musical boxes which he quickly sold at a useful profit, that this was a promising line, and he became the first specialist dealer in mechanical music. His shop was a hub for the early members of the Musical Box Society of Great Britain, and his Cylinder and Disc Musical Box Handbooks became standard works. He eventually left London for Yorkshire, but returned south a few years later to Brighton, where he opened another shop, which he retained until retirement.

This specialist auction will contain a good selection of musical boxes. We have put some videos on YouTube for you as a teaser...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=36qZEWZs5Sc&t=24s>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Op_SrEOBwKM

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wbSHV-d4Nw>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q16POqAXgjY>

Order of Auction

Lot 1 to Lot 83 – From the estate of the late Mike Appleton

Lot 84 to Lot 138 – Various Properties

Lot 139 to Lot 167 – From the estate of the late Graham Webb

Lot 168 to Lot 172 – Various Properties

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