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# Special Auction Services Early July Newsletter

News & Views from SAS

**FREE AUCTION VALUATION EVENTS** Berkshire & South England - Every Wednesday at our Newbury Auction Rooms - Newbury, Berkshire RG14 5RL

- Or Staffordshire Valuations 3rd Monday of the month Foregate Street Vintage Emporium, Stafford, ST16 2PR
- Or West Midlands Valuations 4th Monday of every month Connolley & Company,
   7 Maypole Street, Wombourne, WV5 9JB
  - Or We can arrange valuations by email, video call or home visit Currently valuations are by appointment. Call us on 01635 580595 or email mail@specialauctionservices.com to make an appointment.

### MAKE A NOTE IN YOUR DIARY....24-25 October 2023

The popularity of collecting bank notes or Notaphily has become more and more popular and here at Special Auction Services we have seen the rise in prices over the years. We are delighted to be able to offer a very important collection to the market later this year. It is dedicated to one of the artists who worked for Bradbury Wilkinson from the 1950s called Derek Friday. Derek left the RAF and trained as an apprentice in the design department and eventually designed some very interesting bank notes. Keep an eye on our website and newsletters for updates. Any queries or for further information please call or email 01635 580595 or mail@specialauctionservices.com







### **AUCTION PREVIEW:**

Two Day Trains Galore Auction Tuesday 27th-28th June 10am

Please book an appointment to view the sale

# Part of Edward 'Smokey' Crawforth's Collectio

An LNER locomotive nameplate from 2870 'City of London', as rebuilt as a B17/6 before 1951; originally purchased from Collector's Corner, Euston. Estimate: £10,000 to £15,000.

Smokebox Plate from City of London

GWR Cabside Plate, Dean, Saddle Tank Locomotive

# Douglas Baldock (1932-2018)

Lots 1 to 170

# Douglas Baldock

There can be few Hornby 0 Gauge enthusiasts who are not familiar with the name of Douglas Baldock. His 'Years Ago' and 'Platform End' articles featured in almost every HRCA Journal/Collector for thirty-four years. He was a committee member for twenty-five years.

Douglas Baldock with three of his four grandsons and his Standard 4 Mogul Doug's railway passion started early - when he was a small child, his mother Elsie, took him to Euston Station. He was bowled over by the sight of all the steam engines there, and thus began a lifelong fascination with all things rail related, and, especially, steam engines. In later life, he and fellow rail enthusiasts John and Ian, bought a BR Standard 4 Mogul and he worked with others to restore it.

Doug grew up in north west London and he was a keen trainspotter in that area, spending many happy hours recording his 'cops'. He first played with Hornby-Dublo in 1945 and acquired his first set at Christmas in 1948 (this set, other early post-war sets and his remarkable pre-war Hornby-Dublo collection will be in the Trains Galore auction on 12 December). He decided to train to be a chartered accountant, and was successful in his chosen career. For this he travelled widely by train, as he did for his lifelong involvement in the Scouting Movement.

Doug married Sylvia in 1962 and they had two children, Dawn and Mark, and later four grandsons. He continued his railway interests, visiting the legendary Woodham Brothers yard at Barry, from whence his locomotive came, and was also active on the Severn Valley Railway and the Mid-Hants 'Watercress' Line. In 1974 the family moved to near Dorchester and he was able to build 0 Gauge and Hornby-Dublo layouts and add to his large collection, which he continued to do until his final illness. He exhibited for many years at Mortimer and other shows, often with Derek Mew.

Doug was a kind and considerate man to his family and friends. But his sense of compassion and kindness went far wider than just his own family. He made countless gifts to charities and to disaster appeals, telling no one. He also gave his time to help others, doing voluntary work at the Citizens Advice Bureau in Oxford, offering his financial expertise for free. With Derek, he used to spend

was a privilege for his family and friends to have had him in their lives. Mark Baldock and Tony Twiggs

# **Dick Comber 1931-2022**

Lots 917 to 936 - Lots 1015 to 1019

Dick was born Edinburgh, but the family were brought up near the GWR main line. Like many lads of his generation, he cycled past the railway daily, and loved to watch their handsome locomotives, even if disfigured by wartime grime.

After leaving university where he trained in biochemistry, he spent his career as a research scientist, mostly in the UK. By contrast, his older brother, Jim, found himself in the Far East for National Service and then spent the remainder of his career in the Far East, mainly on Java in Indonesia. Steam locomotives were still being used in Java, and Jim, a keen photographer and Dick were both charmed by these locomotives. Hence the inclusion of various Javanese locomotives and coaches in the collection.

In 2002 Dick joined The Gauge One Model Railway Association, soon becoming a regular contributor to the Journal, as well as indexing the Newsletter and Journal contents back to their creation in 1948. Similarly, he was an invaluable and hospitable member of the Hants and Sussex group. He put his garden at Rownhams to good use with a fine layout, which is now on the market with the house. He was a keen locomotive builder, as his collection in this auction testifies, also including the interesting and possibly unique Javanese locomotives Tender/Tram (0-4-0), 12 coupled tank (2-12-2T) and the big articulated Mallet (2-6-6-0), that he commissioned from Neil Butcher. Alison Comber

# **Order of Auction**

Day One - 27th June 2023 10:00 am BST

The Douglas Baldock Collection - 1 to 170

001 to 032 - Other 0 Gauge Manufacturers

033 to 126 - Hornby 0 Gauge Locomotives and Rolling Stock

127 to 155 - Hornby 0 Gauge Accessories

156 to 170 - French Hornby 0 Gauge

171 to 272 - Other Vendors Hornby 0 Gauge

273 to 318 - Other 0 Gauge Manufacturers

319 to 336 - Live-Steam and related 0 Gauge

337 to 381 - Bassett-Lowke and other makers Vintage 0 Gauge

382 to 562 - Modern Finescale and Kitbuilt 0 Gauge

563 to 584 - Bus and Tram Collectables and ephemera

589 to 625 - Railway Collectables

626 to 701 - Railwayana

702 to 712 - Railway and other Transport Signs

713 to 761 - Edward "Smokey" Crawforth Collection

762 to 841 - Gauge 1

Gauge 1 from the Collection of Dr John Moroney - 842 to 911

913 to 1019 - LGB and Garden Railways

1020 to 1084 - Wide Gauges and Live Steam

**End of Auction** 







Lot 208

Hornby 0 Gauge 3-Rail LMS crimson

lake 6201 'Princess

Elizabeth'

Locomotive and

Tender

Estimate £350 - £500

Lot 560

Masterpiece Models
0 Gauge BR blue
46249 'City of
Sheffield' Locomotive

and Tender

Estimate £1,000 - £1,500

Lot 1084

A 71/4" Gauge coalfired 'Quarry Hunslet' 0-4-0 Locomotive and ride-on Tender 'MAJ-JE-MOS',

Estimate £13,000 - £16,000

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This specialist auction is dedicated to the sale of Coin, Bank Notes, Medallions and related items.

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Lots 001 to 197 - Gold Coins & Precious Metal & Medallions

Lots 198 to 261 - Silver Coins & Medallions

Lots 262 to 270 - Modern Coins & Medallions

Lots 271 to 341 - Coins & Medallions

Lots 342 to 361 - Bank Notes

**End of Auction** 

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Online catalogue is below and you can bid live via SAS Live!



Lot 1

An Elizabeth II full gold sovereign

Estimate: £300 - £400



Lot 116

A modern Elizabeth II gold full sovereign

Estimate: £300 - £400



Lot 343
A good and mixed collection of world bank

notes

Estimate: £200 - £400

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Lot 118

Lot 358

Lot 541

A Leitz Canada 19mm f/2.8 Elmarit-R Lens A Sony Cyber-Shot DSC-RX100M3 Digital Camera A Rollei 35 Gold Camera

Price realised £950 plus BP Price realised £300 plus BP

Price realised £420 plus BP

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# **AUCTION HIGHLIGHTS**

Dolls and Teddy Bear Auction 20th-22nd June 2023



Lot 373





Lot 618

A 1930s Steiff Teddy Bear with family menagerie

TOTIL CONTROL WOODCOM

Price realised

£1,800 plus BP

A unique early 20th
century Vincent
Canova of
Birmingham Penny in
the Slot working
model 'Problem'
arcade machine

Price realised £4,400 plus BP from Austria and photographs

Price realised £2,500 plus BP

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