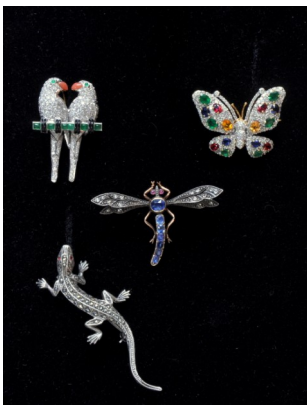


Wellers 2 Day Jewellery & Antique Sale 12th and 13th February 2010

Including the contents of The Thatched House in Pyrford

A fine selection of lots including the stylish contents of the Thatched House in Pyrford, combined with some rare collectables proved to be a winning formula for Wellers Surrey Auction House in Chertsey. The saleroom was set out to reproduce the way it had been in the house and the response was extremely rewarding.

Silver and jewellery sections which sold on Friday 12th of February saw a huge range in the number of purchasers with correspondingly healthy prices. A charming Charles 11 silver oval nutmeg box with engraved landscape, c1680 sold for £1400, and a Nathaniel Mills castle top vinaigrette made £1500, while a George 111 wine goblet went to £880. In Jewellery the top lot was a three stone diamond ring of good colour and clarity taken home by a delighted lady at £7200. Top brand watches proved popular as ever, a fine Swiss Hublot chronograph watch selling for £2,800.



While rumours of the demise of antique furniture have been around for some time there was every sign of this sale bucking the trend, the key of course was privately sourced good quality lots realistically priced. A pair of carved Dolphin console tables from the Thatched house in Pyrford drew interest from the antiques trade and interior designers selling close to top estimate at £1,900. A Boulle console table made ten times estimate in spite of poor condition bought by an internet bidder it will soon be on its way back to its native France. A buyers in a packed saleroom and six telephone lines fought for an early Doulton figure of a jester, it had arrived amongst a collection of fairly ordinary china but was spotted by Wellers specialists for its unusual colouring and rarity, it was not in anywhere near perfect condition but that is less of a hindrance when items are very rare. The ten inch figure was finally sold to a telephone bidder at £1700. the top price in ceramics however went to a Maltese bidder, a pair of Italian Maiolica drug jars sold for £5000.



The Paintings section however saw the most frenetic bidding of the day with close to 90% of lots sold. A woodland scene by Sir Alfred East made £700, while a charming farm scene by R Russell made £3,600. A small group of Nautical paintings were displayed with a collection of model boats, top lots here were a Beam pumping engine at £800 and a Scottish seascape by at £1500.



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