

Lockdales' Auction #268 Report: Coins & Exonumia: 16-17 July 2024

Total prices realised: £468,804 (incl. prem.)

1203 lots were offered over two days, with a 92% success rate. This auction featured coins and sets from the estate of the late David Fayers, as well as many further British and World gold coins. A strong result all round, above the top estimate of the sale.

Beginning with the English Gold Coins we note the popularity of Guineas and Halves, which almost all exceeded estimates. Several four figure results included £1200 for a 1684 in Good Fine, and £1000 for a Half 1813 in EF. Early Sovereigns and Half-Sovereigns are likewise strong. Some scarce Australian and Canadian mintmark pieces were sold including a 1910C ICCS EF40 for £1000, and 1914C PCGS MS63 for £1350. In the proof Sovereigns we note again that 2016 fetches a premium, as well as 1989 and 2017. The early Proof Sets, several of which were from David Fayers' Collection, included a 1937 gold set which went for £10,400 hammer. In the further English Coins we saw healthy bidding throughout. A highlight from David's collection, the Crown 1716 R&P in GVF made £2000. A Gothic Crown 1847 plain edge proof climbed to £12,000.

On the second day we began with World Gold, where once again sales were buoyant, particularly of United States material. Further World Coins and a few Hammered followed. The Unite from the Chipping-Norton Hoard went for £2800. Fearsome bidding was to be seen in the Bulk Coin Lots, as to be expected from the online sellers and dealers stocking-up for York. In the final section: Exonumia (tokens & medallions) there were some unexpected highlights. A British-Japanese Exhibition of 1910 gilt-bronze medal made £600 against an estimate of just £80. The intricate engraved coin portrait of a lady got up to £300.

Our next auction of Coins & Exonumia will take place 10-11 September, with consignment available until 9th August. We look forward to hearing from you, and hope you are encouraged by these superb results!



Lot 112: Gold Proof Set 1937 – George VI Coronation. Est. £8000-£9000. Hammer £10,400.



Lots 373: Gothic Crown 1847 plain edge proof nFDC. Est. £8000-£10,000. Hammer £12,000.