

Lockdales' Auction #241 Report:

Coins, Weapons, Medals & Militaria: 25-26 July 2023

Total prices realised: £349,000 (incl. prem.)

1977 lots were offered over two days. This was a very interesting sale. The coin offering was certainly strong, with some high value Guineas and other English milled. The highest price realised was £11,000 hammer for the 1689 elephant & castle Guinea in EF. Many other four figure sums were realised among the gold section. The further English milled featured a superb collection of Maundy, which sailed above estimates in almost every case. In addition to this collection there was consigned a brand new Maundy Set of Charles III dated 2023, from the first Maundy Ceremony of his reign. This saw fierce bidding and reached £1150 hammer! Not only are modern coins in high demand but early issues of Charles' reign are being sought-after worldwide.

The second day, the Weapons, Medals & Militaria featured many unusual "sleeper lots". A Saudi sword in at £150 top made £1150. A group of once secret WWII documents in at £140 made £1000. There were lots of medals and groups sourced from our valuation days, which being fresh to market have plenty of research value and thus were fought over by the bidders. Attendance in the room was good both days and indicates that crowds are starting to return since Covid, although most bidding is done online these days and hundreds took part on the online platforms.

Our next auction of Coins & Militaria is scheduled for 12-13 September - consignment open until 31 July.



Lot 10: William & Mary Guinea 1689 elephant & castle EF, sold for £11,000 hammer.



Lot 256: Charles III Maundy Set 2023 sold for £1150 hammer.