

## Lockdales' Auction #219 Report: Coins, Paper Collectables, Weapons, Medals & Militaria: 20-21 July 2022

Total prices realised: £389,216 (incl. prem.)

As usual strong performance was seen in the English Gold Coins, with particular attention to Guineas, fractions, and early Sovereigns. Amongst the modern Royal Mint issues the one-year special design Proof Sovereigns are making a very high margin above bullion, for example the 2017 "Pistrucci" type. The further English Milled section performed well as is the current trend. In the World section we see continued demand for China, Hong Kong and Malaysia, especially early milled silver. Hammer prices up to £1600 were paid – for a Hong Kong Dollar 1867 in EF. The Ancient & Hammered section was hotly contested. Whether Celtic, Anglo-Saxon, Roman or hammered, this whole branch of numismatics is selling easily and consistently above estimates. On Day 2 the Bulk Coins were popular as always. Lot 683, a complete dispensation of Maundy Money 2009 with pouch, plus a Kew 50p went for £1350. In the earlier section a single 2022 Maundy set went for £800 ! (hard to come by).

After the Bulk Coins on Day 2 we moved on to the Paper Collectables categories each in turn. Starting with GB Stamps we saw multiple four-figure results for 'unpicked' albums and collections. Prices well-above estimate were seen for many individual classics such as Penny Blacks and Tupenny Blues. The World Stamps produced further surprises such as £1050 for some German postal history. The entire collection of Southwold Postcards were sold, with prices up to £460 for one album. Following the main postcard section, we proceeded with Part One of a Lifetime's Private Collection of Cigarette & Trade Cards. This included many great rarities, and prices up to £2400 were paid for early American sets such as the 'History of Generals' booklets, also known as 'The Heroes of the Civil War'. £1450 was reached for Taddy – Actresses with Flowers. The second part of this magnificent collection is to be offered in September.

In the Military Room, the Weapons produced results up to £1150 for a percussion 'punt gun' by Rigby. The Medals & Militaria presented over two days featured results such as £1700 for some Yeomanry badges and items in a display case; £2000 for an India General Service group estimated at £300 top; £1100 for a WWII Polish Artillery officer's cap; and £1300 for a Falklands medal, to mention a few.

Our next 'Blue Sale' including Coins, Paper Collectables, Weapons, Medals & Militaria will take place 14-15 September; with a consignment deadline of 5<sup>th</sup> August – so please try to get your items to us as soon as possible for inclusion.



Lot 1208: Duke's American cigarette (booklet) cards, complete set 'History of Generals' aka 'The Heroes of the Civil War': £2400 hammer.