Lockdales' Auction #232 Report:

Toys, Antiques, Books, Ephemera & Sporting: 1st March 2023

Total prices realised: £97,957 (incl. prem.)

This small sale of 415 lots saw some huge prices. The total hammer was nearly double the top estimate! The toys were popular as usual, followed by several rare comic books such as Amazing Spider Man #1, and The Avengers #1, which went for £5400 and £2000.

In the Books & Ephemera section there were many highlights including Tallis' Illustrated Atlas & History 1851 (top est £1200) hammer £3500.

An outstanding collection of early football programmes followed, all entered to sell. Some went for as much as £6800 each, which could be the highest we've ever seen for an individual programme. Two particular stars, both of which made £6800, were Manchester United v Blackburn Rovers 19-9-1914, and Man. U. v Derby County 6-9-1919. Judging by the result these could be unique survivors. An Arsenal v Man. U. away match (red Arsenal prog) reached £800, and there were many other extraordinary results.

In the Ceramics section the most popular pieces were Troika. A 1960s 'love plaque' made £2900 (top est £500)

Musical Instruments were sold including a Campbells of Glasgow concertina for £800. Amongst the Scientific Instruments an early microscope and slides were fought over by phone and internet bidders, going up to £950 and £750 (ests. £300 and £100). In the final section of antiques and curios a diver's helmet in at £60 top made £850, and a treen coffee grinder went up to £1000.

Our next auction of Toys, Ceramics and Antiques is scheduled for 11th May (consign by 7 April). Books & Ephemera (as well as sports programmes) will be included now in the Paper Collectables sales scheduled for 12th April and 7th June etc. See our website for details of auctions planned throughout 2023.



Lot 76: Amazing Spider-Man #1. Est. £2000-£3000, hammer £5400