

SALEROOM NEWSLETTER

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Owing to these uncertain times, our next sale is planned for **Thursday, 10 December,** with viewing and sale day attendance by appointment only. Of course, rulings may change and it might be an on-line only auction – but in all events, please keep an eye on our website www.serrell.com, where any updates and changes will be posted.

We are pleased to announce that we have been instructed to sell the Turner Collection of Military Memorabilia. Nicholas – Nick – Turner was a local lawyer, who had his collecting fuse lit by a trip to the First World War Battlefields in the late 1990's. This trip saw the birth of a collection that runs into many thousands of objects, predominantly relating to the First and Second World Wars, and with examples from both the Allied and the German forces. He was no doubt inspired by family members who had served their country and this, combined with a methodical and legal brain, enabled him to embark on a collecting passion. Trips and holidays would invariably involve, at the very least, a serious tome of Military History or a trip to a place of interest – with the possibility of some shopping to add to the collection. His mobile 'phone ringtone of the theme from 633 Squadron perhaps typifies the passion Nick Turner had for his collection.















Nick sadly died in 2019 and The Turner Collection is now being sold by his family. It is being sold in various sections and the first part will be included in our next auction, which will comprise of 100 lots of predominantly World War I and World War II British medals, together with a couple from the South Atlantic conflict. There are also some interesting pieces of ephemera such as an escape map, RAF sight log book, letters and photographs.

Our next sale will include interesting items across the board. There has surely never been a better time to buy good 18th and 19th century furniture, and there will be good examples coming up, including a number of dressers – or if your taste is a little more contemporary, we have a number of Robert "Mouseman" Thompson pieces on offer.



Amongst the watches and jewellery category, an emerald and diamond cluster ring, and a diamond bracelet are of particular note, together with a small collection of Patek Philippe and other watches.





The more eclectic items will include a 17th century gold guinea, a really lovely stumpwork panel from the same period, a collection of ivory, mother of pearl and silver card cases, and an interesting Chinese Jade model of a recumbent horse.



Porcelain from the local Worcester factory has become a worldwide speciality for this firm and, as well as a number of pieces painted by the Stinton family and a small collection of handpainted, fruit we have been asked to sell a wonderful plaque painted with a view of Hampton Court Palace by Rushton.

All in all it promises to be a thoroughly interesting sale.

