

Size doesn't matter with Chinese Bowls

Three small pieces of Chinese pottery generated big bids in the Charterhouse March auction.

“The three pieces of Chinese pottery came with delightful provenance. Not only had they been purchased from one of the best Chinese ceramic dealers, Bluetts of London, but we also had a note of when they were bought, how much was paid for and that they were purchased by a close family member!” Commented Richard Bromell. “The vendors, who live in Dorset, had heard that the Chinese market is particularly strong at present and brought them in to our saleroom for a free valuation as they were just sitting in a cabinet gathering dust!”

The top lot here was a Sung Dynasty 980-1126 AD dish measuring just 11.5 cm diameter which sold for £1,900.

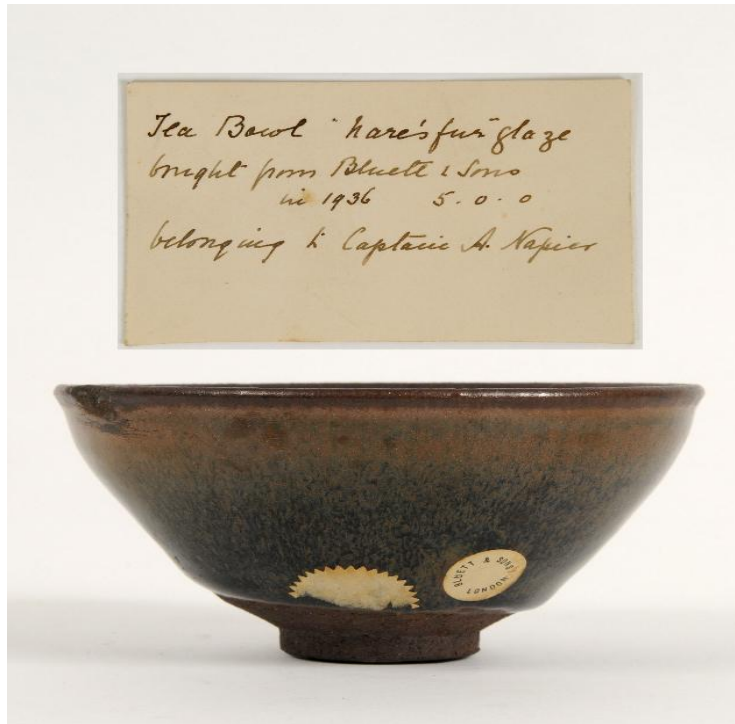


This was followed by a Tang Dynasty vase and cover which was just 8 cm high. This was purchased by Captain Napier from Bluetts for £8 in 1936 and sold in 2012 for £950.

*Yellow & green glaze round pot
with lid
Brought from Bluetts & Sons
in 1936. 8. 0. 0
belonging to Captain A. Napier*



Next up was a Chinese hare's fur glazed tea bowl which was purchased by Captain Napier from Bluetts for £5, again in 1936, and sold for £780. See below.



Bidding for all these lots was fast and furious with plenty of good commission bids, dealers and collectors bidding in the saleroom, but in the end all three sold to live internet bidders from China and France.

Charterhouse is now accepting entries for their busy programme of April auctions including classic cars and motorcycles on Sunday 22nd April and pictures, sporting items and antiques on Friday 27th April. For more information regarding these sales, please contact Richard Bromell, Partner, at Charterhouse, The Long Street Salerooms, Sherborne 01935 812277