

Boot Sale Buy Brings in the Bucks

A group of medals, dating from the mid-19th century to the mid-20th century, which were bought with some tools in a box at a car boot sale for £10 are estimated to sell for £1,000 in the Charterhouse collector's auction in December.

“The owner, a keen car booter from Somerset, was visiting his family in Sevenoaks when they drove past a car boot sale,” commented Richard Bromell. “Out on a Sunday drive they decided to take a look around the boot sale where he bought a box of old tools for £10. However, it was not until he returned home when he found the medals hidden in a small tin in the bottom of the box.”

The owner, who lives in Dorset, not entirely certain what the medals were brought them to a Charterhouse specialist valuation day for medals, militaria, coins and stamps where he was surprised to hear they were worth £1,000 and decided to enter the medals into the Charterhouse collectors auction as he really only bought the box for the tools.

The medals appear to relate to the Fraser family. Comprising a Victorian Long Service and Good Conduct Medal awarded to Sergeant A Fraser, a First World War pair with a Military Medal for gallantry to Sergeant A E Fraser, a First World War trio to Nurse B Fraser, and a group of 9 medals from the First World War through to a Queen Elizabeth II coronation awarded and with an OBE to Lieutenant V Knott (who it is thought married Nurse Fraser) are being sold by auction by Charterhouse in Sherborne on Friday 14th December where they are collectively estimated to sell for over £1,000.



Richard Bromell with the First World War trio awarded to Nurse B Fraser



Boot Sale Bargains – the medals bought with some old tools for £10 and valued at £1,000 in the Charterhouse December collector’s auction

Charterhouse are now accepting entries into this specialist auction of medals, coins stamps, clocks and other collector’s items on 14th December and for their auctions of classic cars and classic motorcycles, both in February

To enter items into this auctions, contact **Richard Bromell** and the team of experts at Charterhouse, The Long Street Salerooms, Sherborne **01935 812277** or via email **info@charterhouse-auction.com** to arrange a home visit.