

A Lifetime of Collecting being sold by Charterhouse

One man's collection of automobilia and classic cars is being sold by Charterhouse Auctioneers on site at the owner's house at Alwiscombe, near Honiton on **Thursday 2nd May**.

"The Devon based owner has been a Charterhouse client for many years and he is very well known in the classic car movement, particularly in Rolls Royce, Bentley and Aston Martin circles," commented Matthew Whitney. "He is fortunate to have a barn, stabling and a garage block, which has housed the collection over the years. However, it is the barn which has had the biggest transformation, into what can only be described as a man cave! Here, he has put in a stone inglenook fireplace with a wood burning stove, there is a cocktail cabinet, a beer fridge, a widescreen TV and a full size snooker table, to entertain himself, family and friends, all in addition to the two classic cars he usually stores in there."

The auction includes a vast array of items, the majority of which are being offered for sale without any reserve. For the classic car enthusiast there are icons of motoring, such as the 1954 Rolls Royce Silver Wraith,



which previously owned by the famous circus owner Jimmy Chipperfield. With its picnic tables and altimeter fitted in the rear compartment, this graceful Rolls Royce will be ready for some Alpine touring at £35,000 - £40,000.

For the sporting gentleman there is a choice of two Jaguars. First up is a 1974 E Type roadster, now ready for the summer with a new MOT, also at £35,000 - £40,000.



However, the other Jaguar is a little different – it is a 1970 XJ6, but now with a 4.5 litre V8 engine fitted with nitrous oxide, estimated at £1,500 - £2,000.

Other vehicles entered are a 1920 Armstrong Siddeley 30hp 5 litre Open Drive Saloon at £35,000 - £30,000, a circa 1918 De Dion Bouton Charabanc £12,000-14,000, a 1927 Bean 18/50hp tourer at £20,000 - £25,000 and a 2002 Hymer B Class motor home, which has taken its owner to all the major classic car events such as The Goodwood Revival and Silverstone Classic, at £25,000 - £28,000.

In the hundreds of lots of automobilia, there are enamel signs, car mascots, car badges, models, pictures and trophies. There are also rare vintage car part such as a Wade type double supercharger, Ferrari, Rolls Royce, Bentley, other car parts and related items.

In total, there are nearly 500 lots going under the hammer, estimated at £200,000, making it one of the most important dispersal collections of motoring related items ever to be sold in Devon. With estimates from just £10 up to £40,000, there will also be something for everyone.

Viewing for this auction, being held on site at **The Oaks, Weston Road, Alwiscombe, near Honiton, Devon EX14 3PH**, is on **Wednesday 1st May 9am-4pm**. On the auction day, Thursday 2nd May, the sale is entry by catalogue only (£8 admits two, available on the gate or from Charterhouse).

For full details of this important classic car and automobilia auction or to buy a catalogue, contact Matthew Whitney , Associate Partner, at Charterhouse, The Long Street Salerooms, Sherborne **01935 812277**, or you can browse through all the lots on **www.charterhouse-auction.com**