

Engineers Collection up for Auction

The lifetime collection of an engineer from Bournemouth is going under the Charterhouse hammer in their auction in Sherborne on **Friday 20th January**.

“John S Oliver was a well-known professional engineer who had a broad range of interests from manufacturing model aeroplane engines through to collecting pedal cars and building kit cars and we are delighted to receive instructions to sell his collection on Friday 20th January,” commented Matthew Whitney. “Sadly he passed away recently and the family, who live near Bournemouth, instructed us to auction the remaining items in his collection.”

As an engineer, John Oliver made Tiger model aeroplane and model car engines commercially and they are now highly sought after by model enthusiasts. In the Charterhouse auction there are over 40 model engines in various sizes from 0.25cc to 2.5cc estimated from £100 to £600.



A John Oliver Tiger model aeroplane engine

Numerous model aeroplanes with wing spans of up to 8ft and three tether racing cars including a very rare twin engine model estimated at £800-£1,200.



A very rare twin engine tether racing car, built by John Oliver

In addition to his small models, Charterhouse will also be selling the John Oliver Austin Pathfinder pedal car estimated at £2,000- £2,500 see below and his Austin J40 pedal car estimated at £800-£1,200.



An Austin Pathfinder child's pedal car

They will also be selling his JBA Falcon SR Sports kit car, which he lovingly built over a couple of years, and is estimated to sell for £6,000 - £7,000.



The JBA Falcon SR Sports kit car built by John Oliver

Charterhouse is now accepting entries for their specialist auction of classic and vintage cars being held in conjunction with **The Great Western Classic Car Show** at **The Royal Bath & West Showground, Shepton Mallet**. They are also taking entries for their auction of classic and vintage motorcycles on **Sunday 5th February**.

For further information regarding these auctions, or to arrange a home visit, please contact **Matthew Whitney** at Charterhouse, The Long Street Salerooms, Sherborne **01935 812277** or email items for valuation at **info@charterhouse-auction.com**