Pilots Medals at Auction

A group of World War Two medals, including a Distinguished Flying Cross, are included in the Charterhouse two day September auction of collectors' items in Sherborne.



Distinguished Flying Cross Medal

"The market for medals remains strong," commented Richard Bromell. "The medals come to auction from his late wife's estate and as there are sadly no living relatives the executors instructed us to sell them."



Flight Lieutenant Arthur Slinn RAFVR

The medals were awarded to Flight Lieutenant Arthur Slinn RAFVR. They comprise a Distinguished Flying Cross, a 1939-45 Star, a France and Germany Star and a War Medal. In addition, there is his Pilot's Flying Log Book, various letters, documents, notes and photographs



During the war, Ft Lt Slinn flew a broad range of aircraft. These included Wellington and Halifax bombers. His Pilot's Flight Log Book records him flying from 1942 through to 1945 where he flew for a total of over 800 hours.

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| 12000 | WASP JR | HARVARD. |
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| | CHEKTAHY | OKFORD |
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| | MERLIN | HALIFAX II+ V |
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| 7-8-11 | QUEEN | PROCTOR |

He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross in 1945. This cross was awarded to officers and warrant officers of the RAF in respect of valour while flying in active operations against the enemy.

Arthur Slinn was born in 1922 at St Helens in Lancashire. After the war he became an area sales manager and died in Sherborne in 1992.

The medals, Pilot's Flight Log Book, documents and notes are all estimated to sell for £1,000-£1,500 when they go under the Charterhouse hammer in their collector's auction on **19**th **and 20**th **September**.

Charterhouse are now accepting further entries for their busy summer auction programme with models, coins, medals, stamps, toys and other collector's items on 19th & 20th September and also for their classic and vintage car auction on 11th September.

They are also accepting further lots for their October auctions of classic motorcycles, pictures, sporting items and Beswick.

For further information regarding these specialist auctions, or to arrange a home visit, contact **Richard Bromell** and the team of experts at Charterhouse, The Long Street Salerooms, Sherborne **01935 812277** or email **info@charterhouse-auction.com**