

Bikes, Trikes and a Bugle

A group of rare and unusual bicycle items are being sold by Charterhouse in Sherborne on **3rd April in their Automobilia & Enamel Sign Auction**

“I am looking forward to having a go on some of the bikes,” commented Richard Bromell. “Although they will be a very different experience to a modern carbon fibre bike!”

Bikes going under the Charterhouse hammer include a c.1950 tandem tricycle, a c.1912 James tricycle, a BSA and a Humber bicycle, both c.1910, and all being sold without reserve.



In addition, there is a Victorian cyclist bugle which is perhaps the rarest item in the auction.

The silver plated bugle, made by Henry Keats and called a buglet, would have been used by early cycling clubs. The bugler would announce when the cyclists were to mount, move off, slow down, be aware of other road users, dangerous descents or to dismount.



A rare Victorian cyclist bugle inscribed and dated 1878

The small bugle, which measures just 18.5 cm, is engraved 'Presented by the Lewes Bicycle Club won by J Andrews Jnr July 11th 1878' and is estimated at £200-£300

Charterhouse are now accepting further entries for this specialist auction of automobilia & enamel signs on 3rd April.

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