

Wagon Looks to Roll on to Pastures New

An old British Rail covered wagon is expected to sell for thousands of pounds in the Charterhouse two-day collectors auction on **1st & 2nd June in Sherborne.**

“I certainly get to see something new every day at Charterhouse!” commented Richard Bromell. “We have previously had great success selling by auction a Victorian shepherds hut for £13,000 and a late 19th century mobile photographic studio making £8,000 so it will be interesting how this wagon fares in comparison.”

The owner of the wagon purchased it 45 years ago in Frome. The first use of the wagon was as a playhouse for his young daughter when it was in a field for its first five years. After she grew up it was moved into a barn and became a store where it has remained since 1983 and is only for sale as the owner is looking to retire soon and emigrate to Australia.



Richard Bromell tries the barn doors out on the Ex-British rail covered wagon



A rare survivor today. Little is known of its history before purchased in 1978, but it possibly carried livestock, newspapers or mail for British Rail.

Measuring about 17ft 6in long and having excellent interior height and with double barn doors on both sides it will convert very well into guest accommodation, a studio or office, a teenage den or to go glamping in. Alternatively, it could be rescued by a train enthusiast to be restored.

The wagon, which is being sold in situ near Yeovil, Somerset, is estimated at £5,000-£7,000 when it goes under the Charterhouse gavel in Sherborne on 1st June.

Charterhouse are now accepting further entries for this two day collector's auction. **Richard Bromell and the team** at Charterhouse Auctioneers can be contacted on **01935 812277** or email **info@charterhouse-auction.com**