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The winning team the LandMark Dusters from this year's charity shoot along with Nicholas Holt: David Sheldrake, M Cobbold, C Smith & Glen Spaulding.



Hidden treasures within our historic county

Based in Wolferton on the Sandringham Estate, Holts Auctioneers have long been not only a globally renowned auction house but also highly respected at the heart of the local Norfolk community.

Earlier this year, KL readers dusted off the hidden treasures of their attics, garages and wardrobes to benefit from the expertise of the Holts Auctioneers team at a free valuation day. Some of these re-discovered gems went on to feature in July's auction to great success.

A set of three original framed and glazed shop signs for Gallyon's gun cartridges, a brand with strong roots in Norfolk, had been valued at an estimated £200-300. On the day of the auction, following a flurry of competing bids, the collection reached a lofty £360 when the hammer fell.

Another highlight of the auction was a very rare World War One fully deactivated Vickers machine gun complete with accessories, which sold towards the top of its estimated value at £4,400. This precious piece of heritage will be staying close to home, bought by a local resident in King's Lynn.

Holts Auctioneers hosted a sale of a different kind at their recent annual Charity Clay Day held by kind permission of Her Majesty the Queen

on the Sandringham Estate, where a diverse range of items were auctioned in aid of the Riding for the Disabled Association.

"I have been running this event for 18 years," says Nick Holt, Founder. "I always work closely with the Royal Estate to decide who I should raise

money for and I also like to take a personal interest in where all the money that we raise is spent."

Each year the event provides tens of thousands of pounds for the chosen charity. The auction held this year included everything from money-can't-buy

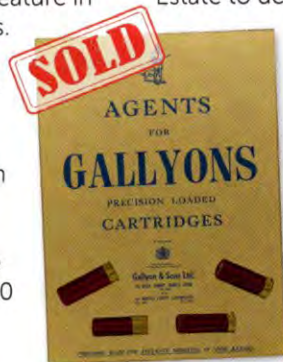
experiences including a lunch and tour at the London Proof House hosted by the Master of the Worshipful Company of Gunmakers, sold at £700, to artwork such as 'The Purple People Eater' elephant by Sir Billy Connolly, which went for £500.

Nick and his team are now looking forward to the next auctions to be held in November. Likely to be the star of the show is an incredibly rare pair of

pistols; a cased set of 20-Bore Officer's Over-Under Flintlock Pistol with a companion 'Baby Egg' Pocket Pistol. "They are silver hallmarked for 1815 and would have been very expensive even then," Nick says, "They take your breath away even if you don't know about these things," Nick adds. "I think they will make at least £50,000."

Perhaps such a treasure could be hiding in your home? Holts Auctioneers are holding another free Valuation Day for KL Magazine readers on Tuesday 4th October, a chance to bring along your dusty objects and discover the fascinating stories and historic value they might reveal.

"We enjoy taking part in your unique personal stories," Nick says, "and we can help to preserve the heritage of these precious items."



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