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Bonhams at Goodwood Revival - 31st August 2007 - Preview



With an entry that has stabilised to around 50 motor cars, Bonhams' Revival sale has become an important part of the wonderful period event, housed at is in a marquee just outside the main entrance. One of the entries is The Property of Jackie Oliver, Esq, a 2005 Ford GT Coupé estimated at £120,000 - 140,000.

Oliver of course co-drove a **Ford GT40** in 1969 for the **JW Gulf** team with the famous Belgian **Jacky Ickx**, the two winning the closest-ever **Le Mans 24 Hours** in that year. A grand prix driver too, the Londoner was a member of **Gold Leaf Team Lotus** and later founded the **Arrows** Formula 1 équipe. Still a very fast driver, he's been a regular feature at the Revival and the winning bidder of the auction of his road car of recent times will not only own a genuine 'European' **Ford GT** but also receive a selection of **'Oliver automobilia'** that includes a pair of his actual **Gulf overalls** and a copy of his **JWA contract** for the 1969 season.

1958 Mercedes 300SL Roadster - 1966 Jaguar E-Type 4.2 Roadster with Factory Hardtop £220.000 - 240.000 - £32.000 - 36.000

The big money in the sale is in a selection of pre-War cars that includes a **1929 Isotta-Fraschini Tipo 8A 7.4 litre Sport Landaulette** for £200,000 - 250,000, a **1927 Bentley 6½-Litre All-Weather Tourer** at £270,000 - 300,000, and another **Bentley**, a **1928 4½-Litre Tourer** [below] estimated at £110,000 - 130,000.

There's also a 'one-off', the **Bentley R-type 4½-litre Special Roadster** resplendent in two-tone brown, a car commissioned in the '70s or '80s by the motoring journalist and peer of the realm **David Strathcarron** in the manner of pre-War Gurney Nutting designs. £35,000 - 45,000 is the estimate, and you are unlikely to meet another one in the street.



Goodwood being Goodwood, the catalogue is sprinkled with a fair proportion of racing machinery. There's a **1972 Abarth-Osella 2000 Sport** (that will need total re-commissioning) at £65,000 - 75,000, an apparently 'historic-race-ready' **1956 Lotus XI Le Mans Series I Climax** for £75,000 - 85,000, and one of the highlights of the sale, a genuine **ex-Works 'Monte' Mini**, 'GRX 5D' the 1967 Circuit of Ireland-winning car in the hands of **Paddy Hopkirk**.

It's estimated at £70,000 - 80,000 and was one of the cars disqualified during the notorious 1966 Monte Carlo Rally.

1969 AC 428 Convertible - £40,000 - 1959 Abarth-Alfa Romeo 1300 Berlinetta Coachwork by 50,000 Colani - £65,000 - 75,000

1959 Fiat-Abarth Zagato 750 Coupé - 1958 Aston Martin DB MkIII Saloon - £70,000 - 80,000 £40.000 - 50.000

Two racing cars in the sale have close Goodwood connections. One of them, the ex-Ace Garage Rotherham / C.T. 'Tommy' Atkins, Trevor Taylor/Roy Salvadori, **1959 Beart Cooper-Climax Type 45/51 Formula 2** car (£40,000 - 45,000) is reasonably priced and has done many a Goodwood meeting in-period, driven by Salvadori, whose life is spotlighted at this year's Revival, while the **1959 Lola-Climax Mark I Sports-Racing Two-Seater** (£90,000 - 110,000) is being sold on behalf of no lesser a personage than **Lord March** himself.

1972 Abarth-Osella 2000 Sport SE-021 SportsRacing Spider - £65,000 - 75,000
Roadster - £35,000 - 45,000

The Motor Car sale is preceded by a truly superb selection of **Automobilia** including items from the **Geoffrey Goddard Collection** (Part II), and itself includes a glorious **Hispano-Suiza-engined Racing Hydroplane** at £60,000 - 70,000, the **1914 British International Trophy Motorboat Racing Championship Contender**, named *Batboat III*.

The Sale takes place at the **Goodwood Revival** on Friday 31 August 2007, at 5.00 pm precisely.

Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to see the full Motor Car lotlist.

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