

CLASSIC DRIVER

Bonhams at the Goodwood Revival - 31st August 2007 - Review

Held on the Friday of the Revival meeting, auctioneer Jamie Knight had to swap helmet and overalls for suit and gavel to preside over a £2.7m sale of classic motor cars and automobilia.

Some of the strongest sellers came from the pre-War category, with the **1928 Bentley 4½-Litre Tourer** [below] with coachwork by WH Knibbs & Son going for £146,700, the fabulous Corsica-bodied **1927 Bentley 6½-Litre Tourer** for £282,000, and best of all, a **1929 Isotta-Fraschini Tipo 8A 7.4 litre Sport Landaulette** finding a new buyer at £298,500. This sold well above its pre-sale estimate of £200,000 – 250,000. A couple of **Lagondas** raised some high bids too.



Another car that performed well was the **1958 Mercedes 300SL Roadster**, selling for £289,700 (estimate £220,000 – 240,000) and catalogued as wanting ‘for nothing, so can be driven away from the sale to a new home anywhere in the world’. Another quality roadster (and often under appreciated) that sold for good money was the **1969 AC 428 Convertible** at £70,800.

1964 Ford Mustang MkI V8 Race Notchback-Coupé -
Sold for £43,300

1927 Bentley 6½-Litre Tourer - Sold
for £282,000

With the Revival being the centre of the world’s best historic motor racing, it was no surprise that the catalogue featured a variety of racing cars for those with budgets ranging from the **1961 Riley 1.5 Historic Racing Saloon** (£13,800) to **Lord March’s** own **1959 Lola-Climax Mark I** (£93,277) by way of the ex-Works **Paddy Hopkirk** 1967 Circuit of Ireland winner, **1966 Austin Mini Cooper S** selling fetching a sizeable £84,000.

Two well-executed ‘recreation’ cars did nicely: the **1971 Aston Martin DBR2** for £66,400, and a **1990 Ferrari P4 Replica Sports Prototype** complete with genuine Ferrari V12 for £35,600. The **ex-Jackie Oliver Ford GT** did not sell, and neither did the exotic Italian ex-collection cars from **Abarth, Fiat-Abarth, Abarth-Alfa Romeo**, and **Abarth-Osella**, although the **1984 Gebhardt-Cosworth JC843 Group C2** car was a good buy for someone at £52,100, total race-preparation and restoration notwithstanding.

Of the **Aston Martins**, the ‘James Bond’ **1964 DB5 Saloon** sold at market price for £155,500, the **1967 DB6 Saloon** doubled its estimate at £49,900, and the **1958 DB MkIII Saloon** achieved £78,500.

1971 Aston Martin DBR2 Recreation - Sold for £66,400

1990 Ferrari P4 Replica Sports
Prototype - Sold for £35,600

Ex-works London to Sydney Marathon ‘Landcrab’,1968
Morris 1800 MkII Saloon - Sold for £30,475

1964 Aston Martin DB5 Saloon -
Sold for £155,500

Prior to the **Motor Cars** Bonhams sold an extensive collection of **Automobilia** including the **Geoffrey**

Goddard Collection Part Two, comprising personal photograph albums, books and models belonging to one of motor racing's best known photographers, who died last year. The 61 lots in the collection sold for £36,570, with the last lot, a personal album of **'Pictures by George Monkhouse'** estimated at £1,000 - 1,500, fetching £4,370.

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