

Lockdales' Auction #266 Report: Jewellery, Watches & Silver: 11-12 June 2024

Total prices realised: £317,876 (incl. prem.)

946 lots offered over two days, with a high success rate. Noted trends in jewellery: Welsh gold, carved stones/signets, gypsy settings, animal motif and turquoise all seem in high demand. In the watches some vintage pieces brought great results: A Breitling Navitimer 1964, working but in need of restoration, made £2600 against £1500. A Rolex 18ct Oyster Perpetual 1956 without strap went for £3600. In terms of later issues a 1980 Submariner achieved £8300, and a 1973 "Pepsi" £5400, among others. Pocket watches, chains and accessories are flying, with £3800 for an 18ct minute repeater, and not a single lot was unsold in that section. Lot 710, a WWI silver cased centre seconds lever watch was a real sleeper in at top est. £50 – hammer £1250! An 18thC bracket clock by Thomas Best made £1600, and a heavy French garniture mantel group got up to £520. The Silver section performed superbly throughout, helped by precious metal prices, but also by some choice collectables such as Georgian and Victorian chamber-sticks.

We welcome submissions for our next auction of Jewellery, Watches & Silver, to be scheduled shortly. Keep an eye on our website for details.



Lot 603: Rolex 18ct Oyster Perpetual 1956. Est. £2000-£2500. Hammer £3600.



Lot 682: 18ct half hunter minute repeater 1882. Est. £1500-£2000. Hammer £3800.