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LOT 1

Two nights in the Royal Malewane, an exclusive South African hotel donated by Phil and Matt Bidon.

Phil and Matt Bidon have generously donated the chance to spend two nights in a spectacular hotel resort in South Africa. At the Royal Malewane, luxury meets the wild in the heart of Africa's finest bushveld where Royal Malewane's expert guides and trackers ensure intimate game experiences and close sightings of the big five. The resort provides sumptuous dining and boasts access to a 13,000 hectare reserve home to lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo and rhino affording ample opportunity to view the animals in the wild.

The stay must take place before September 2010 (and not between 11/06/10 and 11/07/10) and includes all meals, local beverages and game drives. The lot does not include flights, transfers or incidental expenses.

Estimate: \$4597.00





LOT 2

A two-day stay in the exclusive Balsam Lake Fishing Club donated by Fred Meier.

Fred Meier, President of the Balsam Lake Fishing Club, has generously donated a visit to the 126 year-old flyfishing club situated 2.5 hours from Manhattan. The Club is located at the headwaters of the Beaverkill River in the Catskill Mountains and enjoys exclusive access to Balsam Lake and 4.5 miles of the river itself.

The lower River is stocked with brown and rainbow trout and the upper river is home to native brook trout. The Club's property is surrounded by a New York State Park classified as permanent wilderness, which is home to a profusion of wildlife: deer, wild turkey, brown bear, porcupine, beavers and several mature bald eagles.

The lot comprised two full days and nights – for a maximum of two people – including meals and wine at the Balsam Lake Club, accompanied by the donor and his wife. Between May and July 4th, availability will be restricted to weekdays. Thereafter, weekends will also be available. There is neither internet nor cellular service at the Clubhouse although there is a landline telephone and fax available at one of the Club's properties located 15 minutes from the main Clubhouse.

Estimate: \$1500.00



LOT 3

The name of your choice in a book written by Martin Baker, the donor of the lot.

Your chance to have a name immortalised in the work of author Martin Baker. The character – a minor one who affects the action of the book, possibly as an assassin, sociopath or an academic, will appear in the third of the Samuel Spendlove trilogy set in Shanghai, Beijing and elsewhere. The trilogy began with Spendlove as a brilliant but disillusioned law Don at Brasenose in the first book Meltdown. The successful bidder will be acknowledged in the author's preface.





A case of wine from the Brasenose College cellars.

From the Michael Woods Collection

LOT4

- 2 x Roster Beerenauslese, Weissburgunder 1976, Austria
- 1 x Chateau D`Issan Margaux 1995

From the Rev. L.M. Styler Collection

- 1 x Vosne Romanee, Bourgogne Premier Cru 1964, English bottled by J. Harvey and Sons
- 1 x Les Grands Echezeaux, Bourgogne Grand Cru 1949, English bottled by J. Harvey and Sons
- 1 x Chateau Mouton Rothschild 1960, ler cru Pavillac
- 1 x Chateau Lafitte-Rothschild 1953, ler cru Pavillac
- 1 x Harveys Manzanilla, Sherry 1940 1950, Appointment to George VI

From the R. Shackleton Collection

- 1 x Chateau Ausone, ler cru St. Emilion 1950
- 1 x Lanson, Vintage Reims Champagne 1955, half bottle
- 1 x Chateau Cheval Blanc, Premier Grand Cru 1955, St Emilion

From the BNC Cellar

1 x Churchill's, Vintage port 1982



LOT 6

The original plate of the 2009 Brasenose Etchir Ingamells.

Andrew Ingamells is best known for etchings of classical architectural subjects such as The Tate Gallery, The Royal Academy, The Paris Opera and The Duomo, Florence and is represented in collections as diverse as English Heritage, The Museum of London, The Guildhall Library and the Paul Mellon Collection of British Art. His meticulously detailed original etching, which includes an architectural description, is the first engraved print of the College from an aerial perspective since David Loggan produced a collection of architectural etchings of all the colleges and halls of Oxford in the seventeenth century.

The etching was the product of a rare visit to the leads of the Radcliffe Camera from which hundreds of digital photographs were taken. Ingamells set aside four months – the minimum amount of time it would take him to produce the initial sketch that would be used for the etching – on a good day, he says, it is possible to cover perhaps a square inch an hour.

The lot comprises a large mounted preparatory sketch as well as the original plate used to reproduce the limited edition of prints.



LOT 5

Three bottles of Taylor's 1963 Vintage Port.

Estimate: \$1,000

The original plate of the 2009 Brasenose Etching and a preparatory sketch by artist Andrew



LOT 7

One pair of tickets to BNC's Betty Morley Feast.

The "Betty Morley" Feast is one of the highlights of the Brasenose year. It is the occasion when the Principal and Fellows gather to remember two of the most significant benefactresses of the College, to remind themselves of how much the College has always owed to generous voluntary support, to link the present with the past, to eat a splendid meal, and to look optimistically towards the future.

It takes place on an evening when the College looks at its best, and opens its doors to a number of guests whom it wishes to honour: alumni who have supported the College in so many ways, valued new arrivals in Oxford (including recently elected Heads of other Colleges) and men and women distinguished in public life. Among the guests must be included the Warden of New College, who accepts from the hands of the Brasenose Bursar a fee

of two groats, in recognition of the trouble he has taken to walk all the way from his own College in order to certify that the conditions of the original bequests have indeed been honoured.

Elizabeth Morley in 1515 gave to Brasenose the Manor of Pynchpoples in Chipping Faringdon and other lands. A condition of the gift was that a sermon should be preached and a yearly commemoration observed. The Warden of New College is required to ensure that these conditions are observed, and given two days notice of the commemoration. If the College fails to do what is required a more substantial penalty is imposed, and the Warden and Fellows of New College "have the power of entry and distress". Happily, these powers have never been exercised.

This commemorative feast is now combined with a celebration of an earlier benefactress, Joyce Frankland, once again a rich and wise woman. She gave the College a number of properties in London and elsewhere - two of which were later to form a valuable part of Kensington High Street. The money was used not only to improve the diet of the Principal and Fellows, but also to endow scholarships.





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