

The Chester Antiques & Fine Art Show
The County Grandstand, Chester Racecourse, Chester
12 – 15 February 2009

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Chester Antique Dealer To Sell The Duke of Westminster's Gifted Clock at the Winter Chester Antiques Show

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A unique antique table clock made in the shape of a ship's wheel inscribed with the Duke of Westminster's insignia will be offered for sale by Mike Melody Antiques, the Chester dealers, at The Chester Antiques & Fine Art Show at the County Grandstand, Chester Racecourse, from 12th – 15th February 2009.



The Chester Antiques & Fine Art Show features more than fifty dealers from across the country offering for sale a wide range of antiques, works of art and *objets d'art* with prices from less than £500 to more than £20,000. It is widely regarded as the premier event for antiques collectors in the northwest.

Mike Melody is one of Chester's most well known antique dealers, having run shops in city for more than 30 years. He is also currently appearing on ITV's daily programme 'Dickinson's Real Deal'. The ship's wheel clock is a unique collector's piece, with its ship's wheel handles made from Blue John stone and Lapis Lazuli. It is offered for sale at £1,195, complete with letters of authenticity from its former owner.

The clock was presented to Harold Warder on his golden wedding anniversary in 1954. Harold Warder served as Chief Steward on the 4th Duke of Westminster's yacht for 34 years and was a popular and highly respected member of the Duke's staff. The Duke of Westminster has strong connections to Chester and Cheshire. Gerald Cavendish Grosvenor, the 6th Duke of Westminster, resides at Eaton Hall, near Chester.

The Chester Antiques & Fine Art Show fair takes place over three floors of the County Grandstand, with exhibitors occupying the prestigious 'boxes' on the top floor, often furnished as complete room

displays. Among these exhibitors will be F.E.Anderson from Welshpool and Church Street Antiques from Altrincham, showing English furniture; C. S. Moreton Antiques from Perthshire with antiques with a Scottish origin, silver specialists Jeffrey Neal, formerly from the London Silver Vaults, and Nicholas Shaw from West Sussex

Fine Art is always popular and a number of galleries will be showing 19th and 20th century paintings and drawings, including works by the late Sir Kyffin Williams, from Rowles Fine Art, the Welshpool gallery, to the detailed watercolour paintings of Victorian Chester by Louise Rayner, belonging to Chester's Baron Fine Art, and landscape views of North Wales and Conwy by Warren Williams, the late 19th century artist, on the stand of The Brunswick Gallery, Lancashire dealers.

The Chester Show is also well known for its wide selection of silver and regular exhibitors include and Brayhawks from Kent. Showing jewellery will be Terry Robert from Norfolk, Shapiro & Co from London, with Russian pieces, Plaza from Wales and Trivette from Hampshire.

Among other specialists will be Roger de Ville from Staffordshire, showing a range of 18th and 19th century pottery including early Toby jugs and pieces by Obadiah Sherratt; John Newton from Humberside with Continental porcelain, Cynthia Walmsley from Nottinghamshire with portrait miniatures, M. & N. Rugs from Manchester, Simply Antiques from the Cotswolds with card cases, and Catherine Hunt from Cheltenham with Chinese ceramics.

The Chester Antiques & Fine Art Show is open to the public, daily. Admission is £5.00pp.

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