

Third Anniversary Ball

The Hurlingham Club
Saturday 7 January 2017



The Rob George Foundation

Silent Auction Catalogue

Patron: Graham Gooch OBE DL



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a welcome

from the Chairman of the Trustees

A very warm welcome to our Silent Auction, which is being held on the occasion of The Foundation's Third Anniversary Ball at The Hurlingham Club on Saturday 7 January 2017.

The Foundation was set up in loving memory of Rob, who died on 9 December 2013 following a long and courageous battle with leukaemia. The Foundation's objectives are:

- ★ To provide practical and/or financial support to young people with life threatening or terminal illnesses.
- ★ To provide financial support to young people who demonstrate exceptional commitment and/or ability in the worlds of sport or the performing arts but may be held back by their financial situation from pursuing their goals.

The Foundation continued to be extraordinarily busy in its second year of operation. We continued to receive applications at a rate of about one per day, and approximately two-thirds of them were successful. Awards totalling £115,672 were made, more than double the previous year's total. Please take the time to read some of our applicants' stories at the "Making a Difference" page on our website – www.therobgeorgefoundation.org.

The Foundation is enormously grateful to the generous individuals and organisations (listed in this catalogue) who have contributed items for our Auction.

Thank you very much indeed for your support for our auction. I wish you every success with the bidding process.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Philip George', written in a cursive style.

Philip George - Chairman

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instructions

1. You are encouraged to make a bid before the event by emailing philip@therobgeorgefoundation.co.uk, by completing the Bid Sheet at the back of this catalogue and posting it to the Rob George Foundation at 4 Henry Villa Close, Colchester CO4 5XP, or by telephoning or texting your bid to 07831 504298. Every bid will be acknowledged, and you will be advised if it is the highest bid received to date. If a higher bid is subsequently received before the event, you will also be advised to enable you to consider whether you wish to increase your bid.
2. You may view all auction items prior to (by appointment) or at the event.
3. If you are attending the event, you are warmly encouraged to bid on an item by writing the amount you would like to bid and signing your name on the bid sheet which will be provided.
4. Throughout the event, you should check periodically to see whether you have been outbid. As the event continues throughout the evening, it is possible that more people will bid, and the prices will increase.
5. You should write a new amount if you are willing to increase the bid, and sign your name on the bid sheet again.
6. The auction will close at approximately 10.30pm on Saturday, 7 January 2017, and the successful bidders will be advised. Any successful bidders not in attendance at that time will be notified as soon as possible afterwards.
7. In the case of auction items comprising sporting events, bidders should note that no guarantee is given concerning the length of play, which may be delayed or abandoned as a result of bad weather or other cause beyond the organizer's control.
8. The Rob George Foundation reserves the right to include any of the Lots displayed in this catalogue in a live auction to be held at the event.

Thank you for your support

auction items

Lot 1 – A South Suffolk retreat for up to six guests

Reserve price - £450

Relax for the weekend (3 nights) in the idyllic South Suffolk countryside in the stunning 5-star self-catering cottage 'Butterfly' at Orwell View Barns, Shotley

(www.orwellviewbarns.co.uk).

The cottage, with 3 bedrooms, situated in a beautiful river view location, is set in an area of

outstanding natural beauty and features include: outdoor hot tub, en-suite bedrooms, range cookers and BBQ facilities. Your booking must be between January to March 2017 or October to December 2017.



Kindly donated by the Wrinch family

Lot 2 – A case of fine wines

Reserve price - £75

Cuvée Préstige, Michel Guilleminot, Champagne, France

2014 Meursault 'Fernand Boyer' Boyer-Martenot, Burgundy, France

2013 Chardonnay, Sumaridge, Walker Bay, South Africa

2013 Guidalberto, Tenuta San Guido, Tuscany, Italy

2009 Chateau La Fleur Pourret, St.Emilion Grand Cru, Bordeaux, France

2011 Pinot Noir, Clayvin Vineyard, Wheeler & Fromm, Marlborough, New Zealand

Kindly donated by ROL Cruises - Experience the Difference

Lot 3 – A voucher for one at a Mark David's Cooking Experience full day course

Reserve price - £90

If you love food, you'll love The Cooking Experience! With the emphasis on fun and practical experience in small groups, you can choose from a variety of day courses, including Seafood, Traditional French Cooking and Quick and Easy Entertaining, to be held at The Taste Academy in Ipswich.



Kindly donated by Mark & Annie David

Lot 4 – England v Australia Investec Ashes Test series 2015 bat

Reserve price - £125

This lot would be a wonderful companion for Lot 11 and/or Lot 13. The bat is signed by all the squad members of the victorious England team. It is beautifully mounted and framed and comes complete with its own Certificate of Authenticity.



Kindly donated by Jenny Mitchell, The Hurlingham Club

Lot 5 – The Millennium Man – A Study of Tiger Woods

Reserve price - £125

Eldrick Tont "Tiger" Woods is one of the most successful golfers of all time. He has been one of the highest paid athletes in the world for several years. This striking limited edition print by Michael Baldwin (size 22 x 30 inches including the frame) shows Woods in silhouette and is number 66 of only 100. It is personally autographed by Tiger and comes with its own Certificate of Authenticity.



Kindly donated by John Davey

Lot 6 – A special day for twenty-four guests at Essex CCC

Reserve price - £500

Enjoy a fabulous day out watching County Cricket at “Fortress Chelmsford” in the very special surroundings of an Executive Box. This package is for twenty four people and (subject to



availability) can be used at any Essex home Specsavers Championship fixture (Division one) during the 2017 season. It includes all entrance fees. Food and drink is not included but can be pre-ordered.

Kindly donated by Essex County Cricket Club

Lot 7 – Poppies and Allium Painting by Susan Boddy

Reserve price - £105

And now for something completely different! This beautiful original framed ink and pastel (size 18 by 15 inches including the frame) of Poppies and Allium is by well-respected Essex artist Susan Boddy.



Kindly donated by Susan Boddy

Lot 8 – Harlequin Chair

Reserve price - £400

These fabulous chairs are truly unique. Made from an eclectic mix of luxurious fabrics, each piece is different and therefore non repeatable. You can view the latest Harlequin chairs on display in-store at Hatfields, where you will see the quality and design of each chair.



Hatfields always keep a small stock of Harlequin chairs, so the lucky high bidder can choose their exclusive chair from those on display.

Kindly donated by Hatfields of Colchester

Lot 9 – Three months’ membership at the new David Lloyd Club in Colchester

Reserve price - £250

After all those Christmas and New Year excesses what better way to knock off those unwanted pounds than with this amazing opportunity to join the new David Lloyd Club in Colchester. The membership is for three months and extends to two adults and two children. The facilities are truly exceptional and include: championship level tennis courts, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, spa and gym.



Kindly donated by David Lloyd Club Colchester

Lot 10 – Two Cases of Wine from the New Hall Vineyard

Reserve price - £100

Time to stock up your depleted wine rack? Our first case is six bottles (750ml) of New Hall Signature: quietly intense, not overt, delivering hints of greengage, gooseberry and slight floral notes. Our second case is six bottles (750ml) of New Hall Pinot Noir Rose: brilliant salmon rose pink colour; summery gentle strawberry notes with a soft mouth structure.

Kindly donated by New Hall Vineyard

Lot 11 – Framed England Cricket Shirt

Reserve price - £125

Ideal for that vacant spot on your study wall is this England v Australia Royal London ODI 2016 shirt, signed by all the members of the squad. It is beautifully mounted and framed, and comes complete with its own Certificate of Authenticity.



Kindly donated by Jenny Mitchell, The Hurlingham Club

Lot 12 – Muhammad Ali autographed photo

Reserve price - £495

Any items which have been personally autographed by Muhammad Ali are very special. This lot (size 17 x 15 inches including the beautiful gilt frame) is no exception. The photograph shows the great heavy-weight champion standing over the fallen challenger Sonny Liston at the end of their fight on 25 May 1965. It comes with a Certificate of Authenticity.



Kindly donated by John Davey

Lot 13 – Framed England Cricket Shirt

Reserve price - £125

This Lot would be a wonderful companion to Lot 11. It provides an opportunity to acquire an England v Sri Lanka Nat West T20 2016 shirt, signed by all the members of the squad. It is beautifully mounted and framed, and comes complete with its own Certificate of Authenticity.



Kindly donated by Jenny Mitchell, The Hurlingham Club

Lot 14 – “Top of the World” by Jack Russell

Reserve price - £130

A rare opportunity to acquire a signed print by Jack Russell MBE. Jack, the famous former England international cricketer, is now known across the cricketing world as an outstanding artist. Wicket keepers are often eccentric, but Jack out-quirks the lot! His art, too, speaks for itself! This print records England’s win at Edgbaston in 2011, is personally signed by the artist and is number 6 of only 40.



Kindly donated by Nigel and Lynda Hilliard

Lot 15 – Tea and Tour of the Houses of Parliament

Reserve price - £125

This lot provides an opportunity for four guests to meet the MP for Colchester, Will Quince, for a personal tour of The Houses of Parliament.

The tour will be followed by a tea with the MP in the House of Commons. Tours are subject to availability of the chambers and dates when the MP is working in Parliament rather than in his constituency.



Kindly donated by Will Quince MP

Lot 16 – Two tickets for the Monaco Grand Prix 2017 (to include qualifying)

Reserve price - £795

Saturday 27 May & Sunday 28 May 2017

Probably the most famous and glamorous Grand Prix of them all and simply a “must see” if you get the opportunity!

And now you have, as this is your chance to spend a fabulous weekend in Monaco to watch the Qualifying session on the Saturday and then the Grand Prix on the Sunday. The tickets are for the ‘K’ stand, thought by many to be the best stand from which to watch the GP. You might even see another Lewis Hamilton victory. Please note you will have to fund your own travel and accommodation and should you be successful and secure this sensational Lot, we recommend you book both ASAP, as demand is extremely high.



Kindly donated by John and Hilary Warren

Lot 17 – Golfing break for four at Stoke by Nayland

Reserve price - £200

So you are planning a hotel break? Imagine a peacefully secluded family owned resort providing down-to-earth customer service mixed with elegant luxury. That's Stoke by Nayland Hotel, Golf & Spa, located in beautiful Constable country, just outside Colchester.



This is your opportunity for four people to enjoy a one-night midweek bed and breakfast stay, together with a round of golf. The voucher is valid until 4 October 2017.

Kindly donated by Stoke by Nayland Hotel, Golf & Spa

Lot 18 – A private dinner for up to 16 guests with Graham Gooch OBE DL & John Emburey

Reserve price - £1500

This is your opportunity for you and up to fifteen guests to enjoy an exclusive evening with Essex and England cricket legend and Rob George Foundation Patron, Graham Gooch, and another England Test cricket captain, John Emburey. A delicious three-course meal (including wines) will be provided on a date to be agreed in the charming surroundings of Mr Gs at Milsoms Luxury Hotel and Restaurant in Dedham.



Kindly donated by Graham Gooch and John Emburey

Lot 19 – Cornish Bliss! A week for up to four people within a Mediterranean-style complex

Reserve price - £350

Go on. Treat yourself! This modern 2-bedroom house sleeps four and is a luxury holiday home finished to an exceptionally high standard. The property benefits from a balcony with stunning sea and rural views. There are south-facing communal gardens, BBQ, and direct access to the South West Coast Path and beach. Designated parking is also provided. The beach at Seaton is ideal for families and there is a local restaurant, shops and beach café. The sunken frigate Scylla provides diving opportunities and if you prefer slightly drier pursuits there is golf at Whitsand Bay & Looe Golf Club. The delightful harbour at Polperro and the larger town of Fowey is nearby. The date of your stay will be subject to availability and will need to be agreed with the owners.

<http://holidaycottagesindevonandcornwall.co.uk/27-mount-brioni-seaton>

Kindly donated by Pip and Lorraine George



Lot 20 – A Maserati Ghibli for the weekend from Lancaster Maserati Colchester

Reserve price - £200

A masterful combination of style, power, sporty handling and comfort. The new Ghibli encapsulates the very soul of Maserati. Engineered for the ultimate in driving pleasure, the Maserati Ghibli Diesel is a 3-litre V6 turbo diesel that produces 275 Horse Power. This Lot comprises of a loan from Friday afternoon (between 3pm - 6pm) until Monday morning (8am -11am). Maximum of 250 mile allowance. Not applicable over Christmas/New Year weekend breaks. Subject to availability and dealership events. Full driving licence check required.



Kindly donated by Lancaster Maserati Colchester

Lot 21 – A week at self-catering holiday cottage, Little Mallory

Reserve price - £200

Located a short walk from the seafront at Birchington, Kent, this semi-detached holiday property adjoins the owner's home.

Birchington has attracted visitors since the late 19th century and has a rich history dating back 3000 years. Guests can enjoy the beach at Minnis Bay, or the three other beaches flanked by cliffs and caves, and walkers will be tempted by the coastal footpaths, or can cycle on the many designated cycle routes. This is an ideal location to explore Kent's beautiful beaches and gardens.

Shops, pubs and restaurants within half a mile. Accommodation, which is all on the ground floor, comprises: living/dining room/kitchen, double bedroom (6ft, zip and link, can be twin beds on request) and shower room with toilet; small enclosed garden, sitting-out area, BBQ and furniture. On road parking and welcome pack.

www.cottages4you.co.uk and search 'Little Mallory'.



Kindly donated by Richard and Liz Galbraith

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bid sheet

Name/description of item: _____

Lot Number: _____

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