

35TH ANNUAL CHARITY AUCTION

TO BENEFIT THE GAME & WILDLIFE
CONSERVATION TRUST



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, 2021

MEMBER RECEPTION 6:00 TO 8:00 PM

SILENT AUCTION DECEMBER 1ST TO DECEMBER 7TH, 8:00 PM



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Dear GCUSA members and friends,

WELCOME to the 35th Annual Auction to benefit the Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust. I would like to preface this year's auction catalog by describing the unprecedented circumstances that were encountered while attempting to assemble the wonderful UK shooting lots that have served as the cornerstone of our Annual Charity Auction since its inception. This year these lots will be conspicuous by their absence from our auction line-up.

This situation is attributable to a "perfect storm" of unfortunate circumstances. For grouse shoots, severe winter and spring weather, as well as continued outbreaks of heather beetles, wrought severe damage to grouse hatches for the current season, resulting in numerous postponements of grouse shoots and a major backlog in delayed shooting days. For partridge and pheasant shoots, UK Covid restrictions and travel interruptions have caused a similar backlog in postponed shoots, resulting in far fewer available days on the estates GWCT relies on for donated days. Other Covid-related impacts have caused financial pressures for many shooting estates, which might have otherwise been donors.

The lack of UK shooting lots in our auction will have a substantial impact on GCUSA's fundraising in support of GWCT this year. To mitigate the impact, a group of Trustees and friends of GCUSA have committed to raise more than \$100,000 to match donations by other GCUSA members. All member donations to GCUSA made in support of this year's auction are eligible for this generous match, so I hope you will rise to the challenge and take the opportunity

to participate in this matching effort, to enable GCUSA to continue to provide the substantial financial support that GWCT relies on to further important conservation research.

I look forward to reconnecting with many of you on December 7th for what promises to be an enjoyable members' reception, and where some very desirable domestic sporting opportunities will be on offer.

Please take a moment to read GWCT Chairman Sir James Paice's introductory remarks.

Ronald Beck,
President, GCUSA



Dear Game Conservancy USA members and friends,

A very warm welcome to Game Conservancy USA's 35th New York Auction. As we remain living with the long shadow and uncertainties of COVID, we are even more grateful for your support. My still quite brief time as Chairman has not been short on excitement, not all of it of a welcome kind. GWCT is almost all that stands between the preservation of shooting in the UK (and all the other activities we value) and it being severely curtailed if not abolished.

An important development since last year is the formation of *Aim to Sustain*, a formalisation of a previously existing but loose coalition of shooting-interested parties, all of whom are now united in their recognition of the crucial importance of GWCT's research, on the basis that without the science, it's all just opinion. But unlike nearly all of the members of *Aim to Sustain*, as a charity GWCT's research output is highly dependent on the donation input.

The organisations and individuals who wish to see the end of shooting in the UK include both authors of disinformation and recipients of misinformation. Some are wealthy organisations, others are high profile television celebrities, but their combined impact means that a relatively small charity like GWCT will always need to spend more to respond.

The message that good game management benefits wildlife is counter-intuitive to many, and in the sound bite era not always easy to convey. Fortunately, we have convincing evidence both in the UK and the USA as proof. We continue to work hard and successfully at driving up standards on shoots, on making our science more accessible, and also, crucially, on ensuring policy makers understand our message.

My thanks as ever to Ron Beck, the Trustees of GCUSA and Robyn Hatch for their hard work. This year we may be more reliant on your generosity in the absence of the usual suite of shooting lots but rest assured that we will make your financial support work hard for us! On behalf of the Trust and its scientific team may I express our warmest thanks to our friends at GCUSA for your continued interest and support.

The Right Honourable Sir Jim Paice,
Chairman GWCT



AUCTION – PLEASE READ

The catalog is current as of the press date but may be augmented or altered prior to the auction date. Beginning on Wednesday December 1st, catalog updates will be available on-line at ibidmobile.net/gcusa.

Please note: All sporting and travel must be taken within 12 months of the auction date, unless otherwise noted. The portion of a payment for an auction item that exceeds its fair market value may be considered a charitable contribution to GCUSA. Shipping or delivery of merchandise within the United States is included.

Silent Auction: The silent auction will be conducted both on-line at ibidmobile.net/gcusa beginning on Wednesday December 1st, and in-person the evening of auction. The auction will conclude on Tuesday evening December 7th, at 8PM.

Bidding: All bids are accepted as legal and binding contracts to purchase the described items. Successful bidders will be notified within 2 days following the auction.

Payments: Silent auction items will be released upon receipt of payment via check made out to “Game Conservancy USA” or credit card, expected within 7 days after the auction.

Questions: Questions regarding the auction can be addressed by email to Robert Hatch, Director GCUSA: rhatch@gcusa.org.

ABSENTEE BID FORMAT

Date: _____ Item # _____

Max Bid: _____

Name (Print) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

SPORTING EVENTS & TRAVEL

LOT 100

2 days bonefishing for 2 at the Delphi Club, Abaco, Bahamas

Kindly donated by Andrew J. F. Tucker

To be taken on dates of mutual agreement prior to June 2022



Enjoy three nights room and board and two full days guided fishing for two rods sharing a room at the Delphi Club in Abaco. This luxury bonefish lodge boasts some of the Bahamas very best and varied fishing over 200 square miles of prime habitat for bonefish, permit, barracuda, and triggerfish. The Delphi Club's top-quality accommodation and food, and its beautiful, unspoiled location, attract nature lovers from all over the world. World-class bonefishing, a stunning deserted beach, a charming pool and garden, superb food and a great wine cellar, make this the perfect tropical hideaway. The successful bidder will also have the option to extend their stay and fishing at a special discounted rate if they wish. Easy flights can be booked from all NY airports via Nassau and most FL airports. More details and photos can be found on the club's website.

www.delphi-bahamas.com



The Delphi Club

LOT 101

Casa de Campo “Sugar Shoot Tournament” vacation package

Kindly donated by GCUSA Trustee J. Pepe Fanjul

To be taken the week of April 25th-30th, 2022



Each April, Casa de Campo sees a gathering of sportsmen and women from around the world to compete in the annual Sugar Shoot hosted by Mr. & Mrs. J Pepe Fanjul. Casa de Campo is a 7,000-acre luxury tropical seaside resort situated in La Romana on the southeast coast of the Dominican Republic. The tournament is primarily held at the resort’s Safari Club Shooting Center and its private hunting preserve, Rancho Peligro. The tournament is now in its 35th year and is a week-long event that includes a wide variety of fun competitions and awards for field shooting and sporting clays. In addition to the fabulous shooting available, the resort offers several first-class

golf courses, including the Teeth of the Dog, currently ranked the #1 golf course in the Caribbean. The resort provides seven outstanding restaurants, a world-class Marina, Equestrian Center featuring Polo, unique boutique shopping, and three private pristine white sand beaches. The awards ceremony presentations are held on the final

day of competition at the magnificent “Casa Grande” home of Mr & Mrs Fanjul.

There is no more significant test of concentration than sport shooting and no resort can match the variety of exciting shooting found at Casa de Campo’s Shooting Center. Set in more than 245 acres of lush tropical forestry, The Shooting Center features over 200 stations for sporting clays, trap, and skeet. It also offers one of



the highest shooting towers in the world, and the variety of sporting clays is unequalled in the Caribbean. The Shooting Center also has the fantastic Purdey Five Stand, a relatively new facility for our guests; it is fully covered, has seating for 20 plus shooters, and can be floodlit for evening shooting events. The five stand offers various combinations of sporting clays, flushes, and pool shoots for any number of shooters. In addition to the usual sporting clays, there are two fully operational historic Monti Carlo style pigeon rings as well as the Colombaire pigeon arena, shooting disciplines rarely found nowadays at any shooting club around the world. In addition to the remarkable variety of clay pigeon shooting, the resort offers access to a 10,000-acre bird preserve located in the nearby rolling Dominican Hills. It can provide private shoots based on the European style of driven game shooting. Game birds include pheasant, partridge, and duck, with an expected bag for guns between 600-800 birds. These shoots also give the guests a unique opportunity to shoot double gun style with our fully trained experienced loaders.

This vacation and shooting package is provided for one shooter and an additional non-shooting guest and includes:

- Accommodations in the spacious Elite room for two persons for six nights
- Breakfast daily
- A gas-powered touring cart to breeze around the resort
- Round-trip airport transfers from Punta Cana or Santa Domingo
- Entry & shells to compete for the All-Around Championship High Overall Trophy: (200 clays, 100 clays .410 handicap, 50 pigeons, 20 Colombaire & 1-day field shooting)

www.casadecampo.com.do

LOT 102

Pheasant or partridge shoot for one gun at Amistad Ranch, FL

Kindly donated by GCUSA Trustee J. Pepe Fanjul

To be taken on a Saturday prior to mid-April 2022, subject to availability



The beautiful private Amistad Ranch is situated in what is “Old Florida” landscape. Coupled with the more formal gardens and English Style parkland, shooting at “Amistad” is a unique experience. The 4,000-acre ranch, situated near the town of Okeechobee, is only an hour’s drive from Palm Beach or 20 minutes by helicopter. Amistad is a private, licensed

shooting preserve and is the only shoot in the US to host authentic English and Spanish style-driven partridge shooting. Over the past 30+ years, Amistad (named after the family’s estate in Cuba) has grown under the ownership of Mr. Pepe Fanjul into one of the best bird hunting ranches in the US. Unprecedented wild quail hunting and driven partridge shoots provide a fantastic experience for those fortunate enough to get an invitation to shoot.

On offer is one position for a driven partridge shoot (mid-November to mid-February) in a line of seven guns with an anticipated five drives. The expected bag is between 500-550 partridge. The partridge shoot is an opportunity to shoot an authentic European- driven day with double guns in glorious Florida weather. The shoot is managed precisely along the lines of a first-class British shoot with birds released into game covers early in the autumn to ensure strong-flying birds bursting over our unique sugar cane hedgerows. With ten top quality drives available, no two days are ever the same. Elevenses, lunch, and refreshments are prepared by the ranch’s expert private chef and provided during the day, with lunch being taken in the field at our picturesque Safari camp.

Alternatively, bid on a day’s pheasant shooting (March – mid April 2022) for one gun from the ranch’s two high bird towers. Arriving at 10:00 AM, you will join an 8-gun line shooting double guns for a 1,200 pheasant release

from two high towers. The days shooting is carried out over eight drives, four drives from the Woodland Tower, and four from the Park Tower. The shoot will typically last for three hours with an anticipated bag of 500-650 birds. The towers, one of which is set in old Florida woodlands with the other in Amistad Parkland, provide exciting high bird shooting second to none. You can choose to shoot double guns with experienced loaders, who will look after all your needs during the shooting, including gun cleaning at the end of the shoot. The only expense will be for the shells and the tips, one tip for the loaders of \$200 and one tip for the keepers of \$200. Following the shoot, guests customarily gather at the beautiful hunting lodge, where you will be treated to lunch prepared by the ranch’s expert private chef. Transportation will be provided during the shoot, and as the ranch is a licensed preserve, a Florida hunting license is not required.

LOT 103

Driven shoot for 4 at the Mashomack Preserve Club, with lunch at the clubhouse

Kindly donated by Chip and Jozy Mainelli

To be taken per the club’s event schedule, prior to March 31st 2022 or in Oct/ Nov 2022, on a date of mutual convenience



Mashomack Fish & Game Preserve Club is a 1,900-acre private sporting preserve and social club located in Pine Plains, N.Y. Mashomack’s members and guests enjoy a variety of sporting activities, centered around shooting and sporting clays. Four guests will join a line of guns to experience a morning flighted or

tower shoot set amongst the scenic expanse of the club’s terrain, where you will encounter high and fast birds that will challenge even the most experienced shots. Afterwards your party will retire to the warmth of the beautifully appointed clubhouse to enjoy the club’s unparalleled hospitality, with drinks and lunch served by the cozy fireplaces. Includes 5 boxes of shells per gun; dates to be determined based on the Club’s 2022 shooting season schedule. www.mashomackclub.com



LOT 104

Two days mixed pheasant and partridge shooting for 8 guns in Northumberland, at Alnwick and Lilburn, with accommodation.

Generously donated by the Duke of Northumberland, Camilla Davidson, and The Cookie Jar, Alnwick

To be taken 9th & 10th November 2022.

Alnwick Castle is one of the largest inhabited castles in Britain and has been home to the Percy family for over 700 years. The Percy family arrived from France with William the Conqueror in the 11th century, and Alnwick remains a family home today for the 12th Duke and Duchess and their four children. Set in the magnificent, rugged Northumbrian Countryside, Alnwick and Lilburn are among the most highly regarded private shoots in the UK, featuring signature 'high' drives that test the best. The Alnwick shoot is centered around Hulne Abbey, a secluded and enchanting venue, founded in the 13th century as a Carmelite monastery and nestled on a hillside in the Duke's private parklands, surrounded by medieval walls. Lunch will be served on both days. Lilburn's shoot takes you into the nearby Cheviot Hills that straddle the border with Scotland. The expected



bag at Alnwick and Lilburn is 200 birds (pheasant and partridge) per day. The party will be given tea and a tour of Alnwick Castle's state rooms by the Duke of Northumberland. Accommodations for the 2 days will be at the award-winning Cookie Jar hotel, next to Alnwick Castle. Conveniently reached from Newcastle, 35 miles.

www.cookiejaralnwick.com



LOT 105

3 days fishing on the Grand Cascapedia

Kindly donated by GCUSA Trustee David Goodman

To be taken on dates of mutual convenience in 2022



Three days fishing on Grand Cascapedia's "A" water comprising 2 high water pools and 2 low water pools (including one of deepest on the river). Donor David Goodman writes "If you come when there is a good flow of water, there is approximately 5 acres of water to fish, which takes a good caster about 4 to 5 hours to pass through. The fish are much easier to find on low water, when the pools can be fished in 2 to 3 hours. This is all wade fishing, some of which is very easy and some very difficult, so better for an experienced angler who values the challenge of catching big fish without having guides do the work". Owner delighted to give advice on fishing, and spey casting instruction. Two-handed rod with floating lines or intermediate tip recommended. You can fish all the daylight hours you like. Not available June 15 till July 15. Very nice lodging available within 10 minutes (not included).



LOT 106

Florida quail hunt for 1 gun at Pine Creek Sporting Club

Kindly donated by GCUSA Trustees Ron Beck and Jeffrey Keenan

To be taken on a date of mutual convenience in 2022

Arriving on a Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon, your visit will begin with a quail hunt over dogs accompanied by one of the donors. After cocktails and dinner you will retire to the comfort of the owner's cabin at Pine Creek Sporting Club. The next day you'll enjoy a morning quail shoot followed by breakfast, as well as a sporting clays competition with Jeffrey and Ron and any other GCUSA trustees who might be available. If desired, a flight of pigeon shooting can be separately purchased. Guns are available to guests at no additional charge. Good for one shooter and spouse or non-shooting guest. pinecreeksportingclub.com



LOT 107, 108, 109

Texas pigeon shoot for 5 guns at the Lasseter Ranch (3 lots)

Kindly donated by Aden Lasseter

To be taken in April or May 2022 on a day of mutual convenience



The Lasseter Ranch is a private ranch, invitation only, less than an hour west of Austin in the Texas Hill Country. The winning bidders will have the chance to shoot 30 box birds and 24 Columbaire or hand thrown birds per person on a day to be arranged in

April or May of 2022. The comfortable and well stocked lodge has hosted shoots as large as 130 shooters with associated friends and family. The Ranch features three Columbaire rings and two box bird rings, along with some of the finest Columbaries in the country, and recently hosted the World Championships in Columbaire that attracted participants from all over the globe, including Spain and Mexico. Overnight accommodations are not included but can be recommended in nearby Austin TX.

LOT 112

Driven shoot at Pawling Mountain Club for 2

Kindly donated by GCUSA Trustee Kyle Miller and Lisa Miller

To be taken during the 2022 shooting season, based on availability



Two shooters will enjoy their own pegs for a morning of driven shooting at Pawling Mountain Club, consisting of three pheasant drives. You will join a line of eight to ten guns amongst the rolling and scenic terrain of the club's property, where you'll experience the challenge of high and fast pheasants. Afterwards, you'll return to the comfort of the clubhouse, where lunch will be provided. Shoot dates

will be determined based on availability during the 2022 shoot season (Jan. to April, and Sep. to Dec.). Guests must provide their own wine and liquor.

LOT 113

Driven shoot at Pawling Mountain Club for 1 gun, with instructor

Kindly donated by GCUSA Trustee Dr. Alfonso Lledo-Perez

To be taken during the 2022 shooting season, based on availability



An experienced instructor will accompany you for a morning of driven pheasant shooting. You will join a line of eight to ten guns amongst the rolling terrain of the Pawling Mountain Club, where high and fast birds will challenge even the most experienced shot. After the shoot you will return to the comfort

of the Adirondack style clubhouse, where lunch will be provided. Shoot dates will be determined based on availability during the 2022 shooting season (Jan. to April, and Sep. to Dec.). Guests must provide their own wine and liquor.

LOT 114

Walk up at Pawling Mountain Club for 2 guns, plus lunch

Kindly provided by GCUSA Trustee Janet Nolan and David Nolan

To be taken during the 2022 shooting season, based on availability



Upon arrival at the Adirondack style clubhouse of the Pawling Mountain Club, 2 guns will be joined by an experienced guide for a warm up on the clay course, followed by a ½ day walk-up amongst the scenic and rolling terrain of the extensive club grounds, for up to 15 pheasants. Your day will conclude with lunch back at the clubhouse.

Two boxes of non-toxic ammunition (steel) included. Guests must provide their own wine and liquor.

LOT 115

A guided walk-up hunt at The Mashomack Preserve Club for up to 4 people plus lunch

Kindly donated by Mashomack Preserve Club

To be taken prior to March 31st, 2022, or in Oct/Nov 2022 on a date of mutual convenience

Field hunts provide a wide range of quarry in season. A group of up to 4 experienced shooters will accompany our excellent guides and their dogs on a hunt for up to 25 birds. Lunch is included; Participants will be responsible for cash gratuities to the guides for the day.

www.mashomackclub.com



LOT 116

4 days shooting / 3 nights accommodation for 2 at Pica Zuro Lodge, Argentina

Kindly provided by Travel First Horizons, David Denies



Four days of eared dove shooting at Pica Zuro known for exceptional comfort, proximity to natural resources, outstanding hospitality, and a convenient location 60 miles north of Cordoba International Airport. Days will begin with a hearty breakfast and short drive to the shoot. After a mid-day break with lunch served under a comfortable safari tent, your party may shoot in the afternoon, until dusk. Package includes room and board for 3 nights, meals and beverages (alcoholic and non-alcohol), transfers to and from the field, and field guides. Trip valid for one year of auction date; discounted rate available for additional shooters. Not included: airfare, airport transfers (\$195pp), licenses (\$65/day), gun entry permits, gun rentals (\$95/day), cartridges (\$13/box) & tipping. Trip valid for one year of auction date; discounted rate available for additional shooters.

Watch a video of the lodge at:
www.daviddenes.com



LOT 117

Round of sporting clays for 4 at Flint Hill Preserve, with lunch or dinner at the Tewksbury Inn

Kindly donated by Robert Ford and Andrew Tucker

To be taken in 2022 on dates of mutual convenience



Flint Hill Preserve, conveniently located an hour's drive from New York City, is a shooting club situated among the farmland and forested terrain of Oldwick and Tewksbury New Jersey. GCUSA Members Robert Ford and Andrew Tucker will introduce you to the club's facilities, offering a round of sporting

clays for up to 4 guns, plus lunch or dinner (with ample good wine!) at the nearby Tewksbury Inn. To be taken during the sporting clay season in 2022 on a day of mutual convenience. www.thetewksburyinn.com

LOT 118

A round of sporting clays at Pawling Mountain Club, with shooting instructor and luncheon for 4 people

Kindly donated by The Pawling Mountain Club

Good through November 2022



Pawling Mountain Club is pleased to provide GCUSA with a round of sporting clays for 4, accompanied by a shooting instructor, with lunch at its Adirondack style

clubhouse. The Pawling Mountain Club offers a challenging sporting clays course situated on scenic and undulating terrain. After your round, enjoy a lunch prepared by the club's skilled chef while taking in the panoramic mountaintop views of the Catskills and adjacent Appalachian Trail National Park. Includes all beverages, taxes and gratuities. Ammunition additional - non toxic only.

LOT 119

Driven shoot at Ten Mile River Preserve

Kindly Donated by GCUSA Trustee David Santry

To be taken during the 2022 shooting season on a date of mutual convenience

Ten Mile River Preserve is a private club located in Dutchess County consisting of over 3,000 acres of pristine upland terrain, hardwood ridges and lakes, through which flows the Ten Mile River. You will join a line of guns on your own peg for a driven pheasant shoot consisting of 3 drives and approximately 500 birds during the club's shooting season which runs on weekends from October through March. Afterwards you will return to the clubhouse for drinks and lunch with your host. Purchaser must provide their own ammunition. www.tmrp.org



LOT 120

Sporting clays and lunch for 4 shooters at Ten Mile River Preserve

Kindly donated by Ten Mile River Preserve

To be taken prior to Nov. 2022 on a weekday to be mutually agreed upon



Ten Mile River Preserve is a private club for the outdoor enthusiast located in Dover Plains, Dutchess County, NY. The Preserve consists of over 3,000 acres of upland terrain, hardwood ridges and lakes, through which flows the Ten Mile River. TMRP offers a world class 28 station sporting clays course,

which includes a combination of challenging targets that can duplicate most wing shooting situations, with each station featuring double traps. Award includes lunch for 4 in the lodge. Must be used on a weekday. Ammunition not included. www.tmrp.org

LOT 121

1 hour private shooting lesson at Orvis Sandanona

Kindly provided by ORVIS

To be taken prior to December 7th, 2022

The Orvis Progressive Method of wing shooting instruction builds off of the English Churchill Method of instinctive field shooting. This process allows shooters a dynamic and comfortable way to instinctively break clay targets. Our wing shooting instructors are truly leaders in the field; under their guidance beginners learn the basics of safety, gun mount, and swing, while more seasoned shooters benefit from individualized problem solving. Instruction will be provided at the Sandanona shooting grounds in Millbrook, NY. Ammunition, cart rentals, gratuity and tax not included. www.orvis.com



ACCESSORIES & ARTWORK

LOT 201

Loop Goran Andersson "Grey Line" 14 foot 9 weight salmon rod

Kindly donated by Mr. David Goodman



This rod is for those who live for the Atlantic salmon season in Scandinavia and Quebec. This 4 piece model (an extra tip makes 5 pieces) is designed by Goran Andersson, manufactured under his supervision, and unavailable in the U.S. Goran created them for his friends who Swedish spey cast to salmon 150 feet away while wading. The rod easily casts even large flies much further from a boat or overhead, and affords the ability to make effortless long casts, with no room needed to back cast. Protective cloth bag and 50" travel case included. Donor and GCUSA Trustee David Goodman will offer casting instruction for each rod sold for a minimum of \$1,000, and instruction plus 2 days prime time fishing on private "A" water of the Grand Cascapedia, for each rod sold for of \$1,750. <https://gaffd.com/>

LOT 202

Hand engraved XIKAR cigar cutter

Kindly donated, engraved and signed by Mr. Geoffroy Gournet

This one-of-a-kind custom XiKAR 300ME Xi3 double guillotine cutter with premium wood handles, signed by master engraver Geoffroy Gournet, features beautiful and classic American scroll engraving as used on 19th century Colt and Winchester firearms. This year in honor of GCUSA's 35th Anniversary, Geoffroy has created a heavily engraved edition featuring the GCUSA partridge logo.



Geoffroy, a Frenchman who now resides in Pennsylvania, engraves in the traditional style using a hammer and chisel with absolutely no use of a lasers or acids. www.gournetusa.com

LOT 203

Schoffel snipe coat

Kindly donated by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Schneible, British Sporting Arms



The Schoffel Snipe Coat is constructed from Venturi® 2-layer laminate, a high-performance fabric which is 100% waterproof and windproof whilst remaining highly breathable. The Snipe Coat combines a superb level of waterproof protection with the comfort of an inner layer of Primaloft insulation, optimizing warmth while providing complete range of movement, perfect for outdoor pursuits. Designed for shooting and country

wear, it features reinforced bellows pockets with retainer straps and drainage holes, great for cartridges, as well as two internal zipped pockets and fleece-lined hand-warming pockets - the perfect place for idle hands between drives. Complete with detachable hood and a recoil protection pad which can be used on either shoulder, this shooting coat will meet all your requirements. Size 44 may be exchanged for size at British Sporting Arms in Millbrook NY. www.bsald.com

LOT 204

Negrini deluxe shotgun travel case

Kindly donated by GCUSA Trustee Mark Rickabaugh

The Negrini 1622LX-2F/5136 shotgun hard case is perfect for two O/U or S/S shotguns, and the favorite of GCUSA Trustee Mark Ricakabaugh. This Italian designed luxury shotgun case features a padded interior with separate compartments for your stock/receiver, fore-end, and barrel. The exterior is finished with an Italian leather handle, and trim. The case is compact and lightweight, the perfect solution for air travel or car, club, and home use. Max barrel length is 32" + extended chokes.



Model #1622LX-2F/5136 in navy.

<https://negrinicases.com>

LOT 205

Custom skinning knife by Loyd McConnell

Kindly donated by Country Pursuits & Outfitters, David Cruz

Beautiful custom skinning knife by master knifemaker Loyd McConnell. Wood handle is stabilized Maple and the polished blade a solid piece of 440 steel. Includes a custom hand stitched leather sheath. Loyd writes "Since 1989, knives have been my full-time job. I am a voting member of The Knifemakers' Guild and the German Knifemakers' Guild. My hometown is Odessa, Texas, where I still live, but my work resides in collections all over the world. I am the Bespoke Knifemaker for Holland & Holland, producing exclusive knife designs."



www.cpoutfitters.com

LOT 206

Fine leather single gunslip

Kindly donated by Tony Galazan, Connecticut Shotgun

Protect your gun from home to the field in Connecticut Shotgun's striking single gun leather case. Crafted of stunning oil tanned calf skin leather with an adjustable flap over end closure, with plush fleece lining that provides protection for the highest-quality firearms. Adjustable shoulder strap and solid leather carry handle with solid brass hardware.

connecticutshotgun.co



LOT 207

Fine leather loaders cartridge bag

Kindly donated by Tony Galazan, Connecticut Shotgun

Designed for a loader to be able to speed load, this fine leather cartridge bag can hold 150 12 gauge cartridges plus 15 pairs mounted on the front. The lid is hinged for speed loading, 2" wide cotton webbed shoulder strap, suede lined, weight 3lbs.

connecticutshotgun.co



LOT 208

Double edge boot knife

Kindly donated by Tony Galazan, Connecticut Shotgun

Rosewood handle, double edge Damascus blade with nickel silver bolster, overall length 9 3/8". Includes Leather sheath. connecticutshotgun.co



LOT 209, 210, 211

Purdey sporting silk ties

Kindly provided by Purdey, London

Signature upland bird silk ties by Purdey:

209 - Standing grouse, on red;

210 - Woodcock print, gold and Audley red;

211 - Fighting pheasants on navy.

www.purdey.com



LOT 212

Fox fur scarf, by Chasseur

Kindly donated by Patricia Madara, Chasseur NYC

Luxurious silver fox scarf handcrafted in New York City and lined with timeless Hermès silk. A hidden magnet at each end means you can wear this many different ways. Perfect in the field or in town.

chasseur.nyc



LOT 213

English tweed shooting vest

Kindly donated by Tony Galazan,
Connecticut Shotgun

Fine quality wool tweed shooting vest tailored in a traditional English pattern featuring supple leather-like shooting patches on both shoulders and trimmed bellows front pockets. Four button front closure, adjustable half belt at waist, zippered inner pocket, fully lined interior and pockets. Naturally water and stain repellent. Size Small. connecticutshotgun.co



LOT 214

Evening Woodcock, watercolor by Owen Williams

Kindly provided by GCUSA Trustee Bruce Sargent



Owen has been painting sporting scenes since an early outing to shoot duck at the age of 12. Raised in West Wales on the Western fringe of the UK - a stronghold for wintering Eurasian woodcock - the species has been Owen's passion for many years.

Twelve years ago, Owen established a small charity The Woodcock Network, which today bands over 2,000 birds annually across the UK. The data derived from this effort, including over 2,400 woodcock he has personally tagged, is greatly informing both the understanding of the species as well as sustainable hunting.

This image is approximately 5.5" x 10", and will be framed.

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LOT 215

Woodcock Study, by Owen Williams (2021 catalog cover image)

Kindly donated by the artist



Owen works closely with GWCT's Dr Andrew Hoodless and regularly participates in international seminars on woodcock. As an artist Owen takes great delight in using art to help GWCT raise funds for scientific research, and greatly values the mutually beneficial relationship between the arts and science.

In recent years the sales of his bronze limited editions of woodcock have included an offer to join him in fitting tags (funded by the sale) to woodcock. Last winter he became more involved with the science by conducted a study of woodcocks' use of pasture habitat in relation to soil health, which has resulted in developing dialogues between the farming community and conservationists.

This painting measures 14" x 10", and will be framed using museum quality glass.

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WINE & SPIRITS

LOT 301

3 liter bottle of 2005 Langoa Barton.

Kindly donated by GCUSA Trustee Ed Shugrue

A stunning 2005 that over-achieves...and then some. A lucid garnet colour, there is a sumptuous, almost decadent quality to the nose with notes of raspberry, black plum, mulberry, just a hint of Seville orange marmalade, all with wonderful definition and freshness. The palate is full-bodied with a velutinous entry. An unashamedly seductive Langoa with very fine tannins and a tangible lightness of touch married with immense purity. The middle and finish have an unerring symmetry whilst the finish is about as seamless as Saint Julien can get (actually redolent of a less turbo-charged Leoville Las-Cases.) Moderate length: blackberry, tobacco and a touch of pepper on the finish. A Langoa that I suspect is more for medium- rather than long-term drinking like its sibling. But who cares...delicious! Drink 2012-2030. Tasted April 2009 at the Langoa-Barton vertical in London.



LOT 302

Magnum of 2008 Napa Valley Reserve

Kindly donated by GCUSA Trustee William Vogt

Donor Will Vogt writes: "A magnum of 2008 Napa Valley Reserve - NVR is a side project of Bill Harlan. The wine is made by the same wine maker and team that makes Harlan Estate. It is available only to the members of the club and is not available by retail or normal auction. Although this wine is not rated, Robert Parker rated the 2006 Harlan Estate 96.



LOT 303

2014 Magnum of Sassicaia

Kindly donated by GCUSA Trustee Bruce D. Sargent

One of the world's top prestige and investment wines, on par with the likes of Latour, Petrus and Grange (Hugh Johnson). Highly rated cabernet combining a blackcurrant power of blistery intensity with a heavenly scent of cigars. (Oz Clarke).



LOT 304

2012 6 litre bottle of Chateau Malartic Lagraviere

Kindly donated by GCUSA Trustee Bruce D. Sargent



This Pessac-Leognan (Graves) vineyard has undergone massive investment and upgrading since its change of ownership in 1997 and is now considered one of the most elegant and interesting wines of Pessac Leognan (Robert Parker). This wine is presented in the impressive and RARE 6 Litre format (8 bottle equivalent), ideal for a special occasion or Christmas entertaining!

UNITED KINGDOM EXCURSIONS

Frequently Asked Questions

Will I need to bring my gun?

For most shooting excursions to the UK, you will need to bring your own gun. A visitor's permit for each gun is required, which can be obtained through one of several U.K. agencies that provide visitors licensing services. For certain shooting locales near London, guns can be rented.

Are these shoots commercially available?

These shoots are mostly private and normally unobtainable on the open market.

What expenses are not included in the trip price?

The following expenses are not included: Transportation to the shooting destination, tipping (typically £100/Day), cartridges, and visitor's shotgun permits (£50 to £100).

What transportation is provided?

If the shoot involves travel to more than one location, the host will make the local travel arrangements.

Are spouses allowed on the shoot?

Yes, spouses may accompany the shooter on the peg.

Are there activities for non-shooting spouses?

This will depend on location, but usually trips to nearby metropolitan centers for sightseeing and/or shopping can be arranged.

Are the dates of the shooting trips flexible?

As these events take place on private estates, the shooting dates are firm.

What part of the purchase price is tax-deductible?

Contributions above the fair market value of the lots can be considered a tax-deductible contribution to GCUSA. Fair market value is generally determined based on a seasonal "cost per bird."

Is there VAT tax assessed on the purchase price?

No. UK excursions purchased at auction through the GCUSA/GWCT are not subject to the 20% VAT tax.

Are these trips subject to any letting or agent fees?

No, unlike most driven shoots taken in the UK, these are not subject to a 10-15% "letting" fee.

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