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## JEFFREY ARCHER CHARITY SALE REALISES £402,100 / \$640,143 / €452,765

**Jeffrey Archer takes to the rostrum for his evening charity auction which sells 18 objects - with all proceeds to benefit charitable causes**

**Top price paid for the chief timekeeper's stopwatch that recorded Roger Bannister's first four minute mile - £97,250 / \$154,822 / 109,504**

**A handbag donated by Lady Thatcher sells for £25,000 / \$39,800 / €28,150**

**London** – The Jeffrey Archer Charity Sale realized £402,100 / \$640,143 / €452,765. The gala auction saw Jeffrey Archer act as auctioneer and sell 18 lots including mementos, collectible relics and items, both from Lord Archer's personal collection, together with additional donations from several famous public figures including The Rt Hon the Baroness Thatcher, Eric Clapton, Bernie Ecclestone, Lawrence Dallaglio, Sir Michael Parkinson and Ian Botham. All proceeds will benefit charitable causes.

### Highlights:

- Sold for **£97,250 / \$154,822 / €109,504** - The senior timekeeper's stopwatch that recorded Roger Bannister's first four minute mile at Iffley Road on 6 May 1954, which was donated by Lord Archer with proceeds to benefit Oxford University Athletics Club.
- Sold for **£25,000 / \$39,800 / €28,150** - a handbag donated by **The Rt Hon the Baroness Thatcher**, owned by her for over thirty years and famously pictured with the former Prime Minister alongside US President Ronald Reagan during her famous visit to the United States in 1985. Proceeds to benefit *Combat Stress*, *The British Forces Foundation* and *Debra*.
- Sold for **£34,850 / \$55,481 / €39,241** - A full Monaco Grand Prix experience at the world's most celebrated motor race in May 2012, including VIP Guest passes, starting grid access and 4 nights at the legendary Hôtel de Paris in Monte Carlo. Donated by **Bernie Ecclestone** with proceeds to benefit *Great Ormond Street Hospital Children's Charity*.
- Sold for **£15,000 / \$23,880 / €16,890** - A signed Fender Telecaster guitar donated by **Eric Clapton** and **Dr. David English CBE**, with proceeds to benefit *Bunbury's* and *the Crossroads Centre, Antigua*.
- Sold for **£12,500 / \$19,900 / €14,075** - A match ball used in the 2003 Rugby World Cup Final when England beat Australia to become World Champions. Donated by **Lawrence Dallaglio OBE**, with proceeds to benefit *The Dallaglio Foundation*.

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