



Hardy's Leather Fishing Tackle And Reel Case

Hardy Bros.

Sold



REF: 29790

Height: 22 cm (8.7")

Width: 41 cm (16.1")

Depth: 29 cm (11.4")

Description

Vintage Lather Hardy "Hold-All" Tackle Case.

An exceptional leather fishing tackle case made by the renowned fishing company, Hardy Bros., Alnwick. A good size leather fishing trunk with a single lift out tray with three large compartments below, the interior is lined in traditional maroon baize. The case is embossed 'Hardy Bros. Ltd., Makers, Alnwick, England' above the brass lock, the lid embossed 'T.C. Sandywell Park, Andoversford, Glos'. Possibly the owner was 'Captain Thomas Richard Colville' who bought Sandywell Park in 1924. The leather is in great condition, a central carry handle can be found on the lid and there are two front fastening leather straps and buckles.

Farlow and Hardy stand shoulder to shoulder in the world of fishing tackle manufactures; both are renowned for excellent quality, and they are both highly collectable.

Showing is also a Hardy's Anglers' Guides catalogue entry for the 'Hold-all'.

Sandywell Park is an Jacobean Georgian manor house, five miles east of Cheltenham in Gloucestershire, England. Built in 1704 by Henry Brett, it was extended a few times over the 18th century. In the mid-eighteenth century the Sandywell Park estate acquired the Whittington Court building.

In 1712 Henry sold the estate to Sir Francis Seymour-Conway, Lord Conway (1679-1732).

The property passed hands over the years, it was also used it as a sanatorium for just over 30 years until 1883. In 1920 it was bought by Hubert Harry Stephens (1868-1953) who was the Director of the jam and pickle manufacturing company which was founded by his father John Stephens. Four years later it was sold to Captain Thomas Richard Colville.

Captain Thomas Richard Colville (1883-1950) was the son of Hugh Ker Colville of Bellaport Hall. He joined the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry in 1904. He served in the First World War and was involved mostly with the conflict in Egypt. After the war he returned and married Ellen Emily Harrison (1886-1949) who was the daughter of Frederick James Harrison of Maer Hall. They had one son. The 1939 Census records the couple living at Sandywell Park with eleven servants including a butler and footman. Ellen died in 1949 and Thomas died a year later in 1950. His obituary describes him as "a celebrated big game hunter, racehorse owner, fisherman and master of hounds.

Taken from Wikipedia.