

AUCTION NEWS

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The crib before the church of Marina di Massa with large, sober figures



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Disappointed bidder for golden clasp

A beautiful antique Zeeland clasp from filigree gold caused huge disappointment among some of the bidders. The value of the clasp had been estimated by Sotheby's at EUR 1,500. However, they didn't want to include a single piece like that in their auction because the average price at Sotheby's should be around EUR 5,000 in order for them to cover their costs.



An antique Zeeland clasp made out of filigree gold, depicting the 'eye of God'.

The lady who owned it therefore came to our auction house and asked us to include it in our auction. However, it was only a few days before the start of the auction. It was by no means certain that we would find interested buyers at such short notice. The auction video had already been made and we could no longer include the piece in our newsletter either. We therefore agreed that if we were unable to find a buyer the first time, we would auction it again.

We needn't have worried. Someone immediately placed a bid on the internet auction and someone else came all the way from Drenthe to bid on the piece. To begin with, it looked as if the bidder from Drenthe would win the piece at EUR 1,100. The highest bidder in the auction room, however, doesn't necessarily win the item. In this particular instance, the bidder had even put in a 'secret' higher bid of EUR 1,250, to be on the safe side. But internet bidders always receive an email when they are outbid. The internet bidder

subsequently put in a higher bid and won the item at EUR 1,350. With the buyer's premium on top, the final price was only EUR 15 lower than the 'Buy Now Price' It was a great shame for the bidder who attended the auction. He had travelled all that distance in vain and was bitterly disappointed when he learned that he was not the winning bidder.

If you are particularly keen on something, then often the best thing to do is to pay the 'Buy Now Price'. This way you avoid being disappointed.

Your items on display for 2 months!

No auction will be held in January. This means that any goods you submit immediately after the auction on Monday the 7th of December will be on display for two months instead of one. There is no additional charge for this and there is a much greater chance of selling items at the 'Buy Now Price'.



Lacquered riders with some restoration work. Woodcarving from approx. 1900.

For the auction of Monday the 1st of February, we only have one new item to show you so far. That is not much, but we are certain that, by the time you receive this newsletter, many more items will be added to our auction site: www.looierveiling.nl.

At the moment, we can only show you these pieces of Chinese lacquer work. Despite being restored, this woodcarving, from around 1900, remains a very valuable set. The starting price for these riders is therefore EUR 350, and for EUR 750, you can buy them straight away.

BASIC RATES ITALY 2010

Single room, including breakfast	€ 40 per night
Double room, including breakfast	€ 70 per night
Supplement for half board per person	€ 30 per night
Supplement for full board per person	€ 40 per night
Supplement on board for single rooms	€ 5 per night

Rooms with a balcony and sea view are more expensive, also depending on other features.

RATE HOLIDAY APARTMENT AMSTERDAM 2010

Bridge suite Lijnbaansgracht 186c Asd 2/4 persons.

01/01/2010 - 31/12/2010 € 480,-

Additional single bed + EUR 71.50 including linen.

Special Events Programme 2009

Thursday 17 December

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
Bridge 12.45 – 6 p.m. **Monopoly Drive. Participation € 15,-**

Friday 18 - Wednesday 30 December

Holiday Apartments **Christmas Holiday to San Carlo Terme**
Please visit www.bridgereis.nl for further information.

Sunday 20 December

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
Bridge Noon – 9 p.m. **Women's Bridge** (non-smoking)

Sunday 27 December

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
Bridge 12.45 – 6 p.m. **Master Points Drive**

Special Events Programme 2010

Saturday 2 January

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
Bridge 1 – 5 p.m. **'Talking Bridge'** with Barry (informal gathering)

Wednesday 6 January

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
Bridge 7.15 – 11.15 p.m. **Start of the 'Gay Prize Bridge' Competition.**

Thursday 7 January

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
Bridge 12.45 – 5.30 p.m. **Start of New Competition Teadrive NR**
6.45 – 7.15 **New Year's Eve reception with Drive**
7 – 11.30 p.m. **Start of the Smoker's Club Competition**

Friday 8 January

Bridge 7.15 – 10.30 p.m. **Start of the Patton competition (NR)**

Sunday 17 January

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
Bridge Noon – 9 p.m. **Women's Bridge** (non-smoking)

Monday 25 January

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
Bridge 7.- 10.30 p.m. **Free Trial Bridge Lesson**

Saturday 30 January

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
Auction 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Viewing Day for the Auction**
Bridge 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Bridge Practice Session with Barry**

Sunday 31 January

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
Auction 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Viewing Day for the Auction**
Bridge 12.00 – 9 p.m. **The Master Points Drive**

- Monday 1 February**
 Auction 2 – 3.30 p.m. **General auction**
 Bridge 7.15 – 10.30 p.m. **Lesson 2nd Relay** + Looier Stayman
- Monday 8 February**
 Bridge 7.15 – 10.30 p.m. **Lesson 3 The intermediate overcall with 'Logjes'**
- Sunday 14 February**
 Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
 Bridge 12.00 – 5 p.m. **Women's Bridge**
- Monday 15 February**
 Bridge 7.15 – 10.30 **Lesson 4 The 2nd opening + Niemeijer**
- Monday 22 February**
 Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
 Bridge 7.15 – 10.30 p.m. **Lesson 5 The 2♦ ; 2♥ en 2♠ opening**
- Sunday 28 February**
 Auction 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Viewing day for Monday auction**
 Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Flee Market**
 Bridge noon – 5 p.m. **Talk and/or Rubber Bridge**
- Monday 1 March**
 Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
 Auction 2 – 3.30 p.m. **General auction**
 Bridge 7.15 – 10.30 p.m. **Lesson 6 The 2♣ opening bid**
- Monday 8 March**
 Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
 Bridge 7.15 – 10.30 **Lesson 7 Slam Conventions**
- Monday 15 March**
 Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
 Bridge 7.15 – 10.30 p.m. **Discussion of System Card**
 The Looier Bidding system explained in one evening.
 A nice opportunity for experienced bridge player to get to know the Looier system! Costs for this single evening EUR 15.
- Sunday 21 March**
 Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
 Bridge noon – 5.45 p.m. **Women's Bridge**
- Monday 15 March**
 Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**
 Bridge 7.15 – 10.30 **Students play their first competition**

Play regularly – preferably once a week – then you will retain your knowledge. If you are a new member of the Monday evening club and you play regularly on Monday, you can participate in the Looier Cash Tournament at the end of August. This is a tournament with EUR 5,000 in prize money and...

All members and students of that club will be offered a Bridge Week in our hotel in Tuscany on a half-board basis, not including transport, excursions and drinks. You are always welcome at:

Albergo Ristorante San Carlo.

Via Nicola Zonder 3, San Carlo Terme

54100 Massa (MS)

Tel: 0039-0585 43193

www.looiersuites.nl

Friday 26 26th of March – Friday 2nd of April

Holiday Apartments

Spring Holiday to San Carlo Terme

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Sunday 28 March

Auction 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Viewing day for Monday auction**

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**

Bridge 12.45– 5.45 p.m. **The 'Master Points Drive'**
members EUR 4,05. Other participants EUR 8,10.

Monday 5 April

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Antique Market**

Auction 2 – 3.30 p.m. **General auction**

Bridge 7.15 – 11 p.m. **Students in a lesson line**

Weekly programme of 'Bridge Club The Looier'

Monday evening: Individual Players Club Registration open until 7.15 p.m.
Free participation. Obligatory use of The Looier Bidding System. 21 boards played until approx. 11 p.m.

Tuesday afternoon: The Egnog Drive; Registration open until 12.45 p.m.
The cheerful drive! Barometer with prizes for each round. Approx. 16 pairs.

Wednesday: The Winners Club Gay Prize Bridge; Registration open until 7.15 p.m. A Butler night with a prize (a meal) at the end of the 3-monthly competition. Approx. 14 Pairs, 24 boards played until approx. 11. p.m.

Thursday afternoon: 'The Tea drive Club'; registration open until 12.45 p.m.
One area reserved for smoking. Bridge area non-smoking. Free tea provided.

Thursday evening: The Smokers Club: Registration open until 7.15 p.m.
Busy evening. Approx. 24 pairs. The strongest line plays a complete Howell.

Friday evening: 'The Patton club'. Registration open until 7.15 p.m.
Sept. until March. Relaxed atmosphere - evenings can last until approx. 24 p.m.

Saturday afternoon: Bridge exercises with Barry from 1.00 p.m. on.
Doors open at eleven a.m. We close at 17.00 p.m.

Sunday afternoon: Bridge informal with Barry open until 12.45 p.m.
Please note! Only held when there is no drive. Doors open at eleven a.m.

Sunday afternoon: Women's Bridge Registration open until 12.45 p.m.
Please note! Only held on the last Sunday of the month. Doors open at noon.

Sunday afternoon: Masterpoint Drive. Registration open until 12.45 p.m.
Please note! Only held on the last Sunday of the month. Doors open at noon.

Looierbridge.nl The website for Bridge Club The Looier with information on: Bridge lessons, bridge clubs, bridge partners, bridge trips and the results and scores for our club.

Looierveiling.nl Art, Silver, Jewellery, Collectables, Earthenware, Antiques, Jugendstil pieces, etc. often with a very low starting price, and sometimes with a 'Buy Now Price' as well. This option is available until two hours before the close of the auction. You can place your bid at the Limited Time Auction at Elandsgracht 109 in Amsterdam.

Looiernieuws.nl This is where we keep you up to date with all our initiatives (time allowing).

Looier Suites.nl Information on our apartments and holiday homes in Amsterdam, San Carlo Terme and Antona/Tuscany/ Italy. Photographs, prices, availability etc.

Looierantiek.nl The Antique Market at Elandsgracht 109 in Amsterdam. For over 31 years this has been *the* haven for collectors, browsers, dealers and antique lovers alike. Open Saturday to Thursday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. It has approx. 70 stands and 110 display cases. Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays are flea market days. On those days, you can rent a table for € 10, plus a deposit of € 5 (which will be refunded at 5.15 p.m.).

What does the average week at the Looier look like?

Saturday

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Flea Market. Entrance free.
Bridge 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Bridge Practice Session with Barry

Sunday

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Flea Market. Entrance free.
11 a.m. – 5 p.m. the Art & Antiques centre is open
Bridge 11.00 a.m. – 5 p.m. Talk and/or Rubber Bridge with Barry
noon – 12.45 p.m. Held on the last Sunday of the month.
Registration Woman's bridge.
On the last Sunday of the month.
Registration for Master Points Drive.

Monday

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. the Art & Antiques centre is open
Auction 14.00 - 4 p.m. Auction 1st Monday of the month.
Preceding Saturday and Sunday
Viewing day
Bridge 6.45 p.m. – 7.15 p.m. Registration (players & stand-by players)
7.30 – 10.30 p.m. Looier Individual Players Club. Participation free.
7.30 – 10.30 p.m. Bridge lessons and practice

Tuesday

Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. the Art & Antiques centre is open
Auction 11.30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Drop-off, pick-up and payments
Bridge 12.00 p.m. – 12.45 p.m. Registration players
1 – 5.30 p.m. The Eggog Drive. Participation € 5.

Wednesday

- Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Flee market. Free entry.
11 a.m. – 5 p.m. the Art & Antiques centre is open
- Auction 11.30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Drop-off, pick-up and payments
- Bridge 6.45 p.m. – 7.15 p.m. Registration (players & stand-by players)
7.30 – 11 p.m. Gay Prize Bridge. Participation € 5

Thursday

- Market 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. the Art & Antiques centre is open
- Auction 11.30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Drop-off, pick-up and payments
- Bridge 12.00 p.m. – 12.45 p.m. Registration (players & stand-by players)
1 – 5.30 p.m. 'The Tea Drive'. Participate for € 5.
6.45 p.m. – 7.15 p.m. Registration (players & stand-by players)
7.30 – 11 p.m. 'The Smokers' Club'. Participate for € 5.

Friday

- Bridge 6.45 – 7.15 p.m. Registration for The Patton Club
From September until March.
- Magic 6.45 – 7.15 p.m. Registration for 'Friday Night Magic.'
From September until March.

Sunday afternoon: Women's Bridge Registration open until 12.45 p.m.

Please note! Only held on the last Sunday of the month.
Doors open at noon.

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