

## Rowing Oar, Leander Crew, Toronto International Regatta 1923 Leander Club

Sold



REF: 29858 Height: 373 cm (146.9") Width: 16 cm (6.3") Depth: 9 cm (3.5")

## Description

Antique Rowing Oar, 1923 Henley Leander Eight. The full-length rowing oar is an original traditional presentation rowing oar with gilt calligraphy, 1923 Toronto International Regatta. The rowing blade is made by Ayling & Sons, London, it is a beautiful oar and in original condition with no repaint or repairs. The calligraphy denotes the crew's names and weights. The blade reads:-Leander Crew, Toronto International Regatta, 1923 Winners Of Eight oared Race Time 5 mins, 56 sec. Beat, Argonauts, Toronto University, Undines - U.S.A. Bow. P.C. Mallam 11st. 12lbs. 2. H.O.C. Boret 12.4. 3. K.N. Craig 12.8. 4. D.T. Raikes 13.10. 5. H.B. Playford 13st. 2 lbs. 6. T.D.A. Collett 12.8. 7. G.O. Nickalls 13.4. Str. W.P. Mellen 10.8. Cox. G.D. Clapperton 8st.

We believe this oar belonged to P.C. Mallam as we purchased another oar at the same time which also has his name on it. He rowed for the dark blues in the Oxford and Cambridge University boat race four times, 1921, 1922, 1923 and 1924, only being on the victorious side of the 75th Boat Race in 1923. He wrote a book 'Rowing' in 1949 with a co-rower, Guy Oliver Nickalls. Nickalls also rowed for the dark blues in 21, 22, and 23 and competed in the 1920 Summer Olympics and in the 1928 Summer Olympics. He was a member of the Leander Boat Club (as was Mallam) and took part in the Toronto International Regatta for Leander with Mallam and six others to win the Eight oared Race in 1923. D.T. Raikes and W.P. Mellen were part of the Leander crew and had also rowed in the Oxford and Cambridge University boat race, Raikes 20, 21 and 22, Mellen just once in 1924.

As the oar is full length (12 foot) shipping can be quite expensive. We have come up with an ingenious way to cut the oar so as to make shipping cheaper, the oar can then be easily reassembled. One of the images shows different images of an oar that has been cut down. It is cut by the leather sleeve so the joint is less visible or obvious. The oar can then be bolted together to make the oar one solid piece. Please do enquire about the different shipping options.

From Wikipedia:-

Guy Oliver Nickalls (4 April 1899 - 26 April 1974), also known as Gully Nickalls, was a British rower who competed in the 1920 Summer Olympics and in the 1928 Summer Olympics.

Nickalls was the son of Guy Nickalls, who was also a rower and an Olympic gold medalist and his wife Ellen Gilbey Gold. His grandfather, Tom Nickalls, was one of the founding members of London Rowing Club. Nickalls' mother was the sister of Sir Harcourt Gold, who was chairman of Henley Royal Regatta from 1945 to 1952 and Chairman of the ARA from 1948 to 1952. Nickalls was educated at Eton College and Magdalen College, Oxford.

In 1920, rowing for Magdalen, Nickalls partnered Richard Lucas to win the Silver Goblets & Nickalls'

Challenge Cup at Henley Royal Regatta, beating Bruce Logan and S I Fairbairn in the final. Later in the year, Nickalls was a member of the Leander eight which won the silver medal for Great Britain rowing at the 1920 Summer Olympics, coming within half a length of winning. In 1921, Nickalls rowed in the Oxford crew which lost to Cambridge in the Boat Race and also lost th...