

## SPORT MEMORABILIA

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**Synge, John Millington. The Playboy of the Western World, deluxe edition illustrated by Seán Keating**  
George Allen and Unwin, London, 1927. Edition de luxe, with ten colour plates by Keating. Limited to 1,000 copies of which this is 149.  
€200-€300 (£170-£250 approx)

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**[Wilde, Oscar]. 1914 postcard handwritten and signed by Lord Alfred Douglas and other related items.**

The postcard dated 14 February 1914 is to Douglas' father-in-law, Colonel Custance, criticising him for allowing his daughter, Olive, Douglas' wife to watch prize-fights in the company of Lord Clonmell and accusing him of trying to separate her from her husband. Also 1912 letter from Robert Ross to Sir George Lewis concerning Lady Glenconner and Lady Queensbury, The Genius of Lord Alfred Douglas by W. Sorley Brown pp8 in original wappers, and two other items. (5)  
Lord Alfred Bruce Douglas (1870-1945), nicknamed Bosie, was a British author, poet and translator, better known as the friend and lover of the writer Oscar Wilde. Olive Custance (1874-1944) was the only daughter and heiress of Colonel Frederick Custance, who was a wealthy and distinguished soldier in the British army. Custance was bisexual. In 1901 she became involved in a lesbian relationship with writer Natalie Clifford Barney in Paris. Custance then became engaged to George Montagu, but ran away and married Lord Alfred Douglas instead. Her father did not approve of Douglas, and the two had eloped to avoid having problems. They married on 4 March 1902. They had one child, Raymond Wilfred Sholto Douglas, born on 17 November 1902. They separated in 1913, lived together again for a time in the 1920s but separated again later, though they never divorced.

€300-€500 (£250-£420 approx)

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**Thomas Wright: Louthiana: or An Introduction to the Antiquities of Ireland Millennium Edition**

Tempest Ltd., Dundalk, 2000. Limited to an edition of 250 of which this is 45. Half calf with marbled boards. A wonderful production of this famous publication. Also with Up In Arms, The 1798 Rebellion in Ireland Record of an Exhibition at the Ulster Museum 1998. Limited to an edition of 200 of which this is 107, signed by the editor and Orange and Green A Tale of Boyne & Limerick by G. A. Henty, Blackie & Son Ltd., London. (3 items)

€150-€200 (£130-£170 approx)

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**1908 (28 April) William Butler Yeats signed letter**

Typescript letter sent from 18 Woburn Buildings, London by W. B. Yeats. Interesting content relating to a child's poetry which has been sent to him "...the poem about The Lily closes in a very poetical and delicate thought 'In thy silvery dream I am bound'. Of course one can never say what so young a child is going to do in the future. Children of that age occasionally write little poems, very naturally and simply. Later on come bad models bringing with them lack of sincerity. I am very much struck by the strong feeling for rhythm in these verses."

€300-€500 (£250-£420 approx)

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**Young, Ella. Celtic Wonder-Tales illustrated by Maud Gonne**  
Maunsel & Company Ltd., Dublin 1910. Original boards, illustrated throughout with plates by Gonne. Also with Irish Fairy and Folk Tales edited by W. B. Yeats, Walter Scott, London 1893, with illustrations by James Torrance, Maud Gonne Lucky Eyes & a High Heart by Nancy Cardozo, Victor Gollancz Ltd., London 1979 and Cúchulainn of Muirthemne by Lady Gregory, The Coole Edition, 1970. (4 items)

€150-€250 (£130-£210 approx)

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**Olympic Games Rome 1960 Participant's Medal and a commemorative medallion.**

Designed by Prof. Emilio Greco. Obverse: a female nude running and bearing the Olympic torch with the Olympic rings in the background. Reverse: a flight of eagles rising from the Olympic Stadium of Rome, inscribed GIOCHI DELLA XVII OLYMPIADE ROMA MCMLX, 55mm, 78gr, bronze, in a case which is not of original issue. Also a smaller bronze medal, 40mm, 15gr, by Cesare Merzadore, depicting a man holding the Olympic Torch with the stadium in the background, reverse showing a tree reaching into the clouds and the Olympic rings, inscribed OLYMPIAD DI ROMA/1960. (2)

€150-€200 (£130-£170 approx)

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**1984 Los Angeles Olympics tickets collection**

A collection of 19 unused tickets for the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics including Fencing, Gymnastics, Baseball, Field Hockey, Basketball, Track and Field, Swimming etc. Also with accompanying ticket brochure.

€100-€150 (£80-£130 approx)

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No Lot

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**GAA. Circa 1910 Kilkenny "Famous Hurling Champions" picture postcard and other related collectibles.**

The card by Moran, Kilkenny, unused, also a similar vintage "Cork, Runners-up, All-Ireland Hurling Championship", unused. Also with this lot Will's cigarette cards "Hurlers" (11 odds) St. Laurence O'Toole GAA Club 75th Anniversary Record 1901-76 booklet, pp76, and An Post "Team of The Millennium" commemorative stamps in sheetlets, first day cover etc. (4 folders and a loose sheetlet).

€80-€120 (£70-£100 approx)

632

**Hurling: 1919-20 Junior Hurling League and 1925 Junior Hurling Championship winner's medals**

9ct gold medal by John Millar inscribed on the reverse "County Dublin G.A.A. Junior Hurling League 1919-20 Won by Erin's Own". Also with a 9ct gold medal by John Millar inscribed on the reverse "Junior Hurling Championship 1925 Won by Commercial H. C." of typical form. (2 items)

€250-€300 (£210-£250 approx)

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**1967 All-Ireland Senior Hurling Championship winners medal awarded to Kilkenny**

Hallmarked 9ct gold by J.M. (John Millar). Of typical form, engraved on the reverse "Craobh Iomána na hÉireann 1967 - Cill Ceannaigh v Tiobraid Árann: The 1967 All-Ireland Senior Hurling Championship Final was the 80th All Ireland final and was won by Kilkenny on a score line of 3-8 to 2-7, the first time they had beaten Tipperary in championship competition since 1922. The team included some of Kilkenny's all time great hurlers such as Eddie Keher, Tom Walsh, Jim Treacy and Martin Coogan. An extremely scarce medal.

1½ x 1½in. (3 x 3cm)

€1,500-€2,500 (£1,250-£2,080 approx)