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## **DON DRYSDALE'S PERSONAL MEMORABILIA COLLECTION HEADLINES SCP AUCTIONS' 2016 SPRING PREMIER AUCTION**

*More than 160 coveted lots from the late Brooklyn and L.A. Dodger great's  
coveted memorabilia will go up for bid on April 6th at [scpauctions.com](http://scpauctions.com)*

**Laguna Niguel, Calif. (April 4, 2016)** – SCP Auctions is extremely excited to announce that it will offer the personal memorabilia collection of former major league pitching great Don Drysdale. The late Hall of Famer's unbelievable lineup of baseball heirlooms and mementoes – dating as far back as 1954 during his senior year at Van Nuys (Calif.) High School – encompasses more than 160 lots and will hit the online auction block on Wednesday, April 6, at [www.scpauctions.com](http://www.scpauctions.com). Drysdale's most prominent awards and game-worn uniforms are included: 1963 and '65 World Series championship rings; 1956 National League championship ring; 1962 MLB Cy Young Award; a host of game-worn Dodger uniforms from his playing days in both Brooklyn (1956, rookie season) as well as Los Angeles (1965, '66 and '69); and the actual game-used baseball from the final inning pitched of his then-MLB record streak of throwing 58-and-two-thirds innings of scoreless baseball in 1968. This is perhaps the most comprehensive player collection that SCP Auctions has ever offered and covers Drysdale's high school playing days in southern California to his minor league stints with the Bakersfield Indians and Montreal Royals to his major league successes with both the Brooklyn and Los Angeles Dodgers.

"We feel honored to have been chosen by the Drysdale family to bring this extraordinary collection to auction," said SCP Auctions President David Kohler. "Don was among the most accomplished and revered pitchers in Major League Baseball history and his impressive assemblage of awards and accolades speaks volumes as to his winning ways out on the mound."

A standout baseball player from more than half a century ago, Drysdale was drafted by the then-Brooklyn Dodgers in 1954 right out of high school. Within two years, the 6' 5" right-hander was brought up from the minors and eventually earned a spot in the Dodgers starting rotation at age 20 when he posted a team-high 17 victories in 1957. A nine-time MLB All-Star, Drysdale posted 209 career wins, struck out 2,486 batters and led the N.L. in K's in three different seasons (1959-60, '62). He also played a major role in helping the Dodgers reach the World Series five times and winning three. A torn rotator cuff forced "Big D" to retire during the 1969 season and he was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1984. A long time radio broadcaster after his playing days ended, Drysdale died suddenly of a heart attack on July 3, 1993, during a road trip with the Dodgers to Montreal. He was 56 years old.

According to Ann Meyers-Drysdale, Don's widow, a portion of the proceeds from the auction will go to various Drysdale-supported charities. "We thought this through as a family and decided it was time to

share Don's most prestigious awards and memorabilia with the fans and the collecting community," she said. "Plus, it provides us with a great opportunity to give back to many of the causes that were near and dear to Don's heart."

Bidding is open to registered bidders only at [www.scpauctions.com](http://www.scpauctions.com) beginning Wed., April 6 and closing on Sat., April 23. For more information on how to participate and take part in the bidding, please call 949-831-3700 or visit [www.scpauctions.com](http://www.scpauctions.com).

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