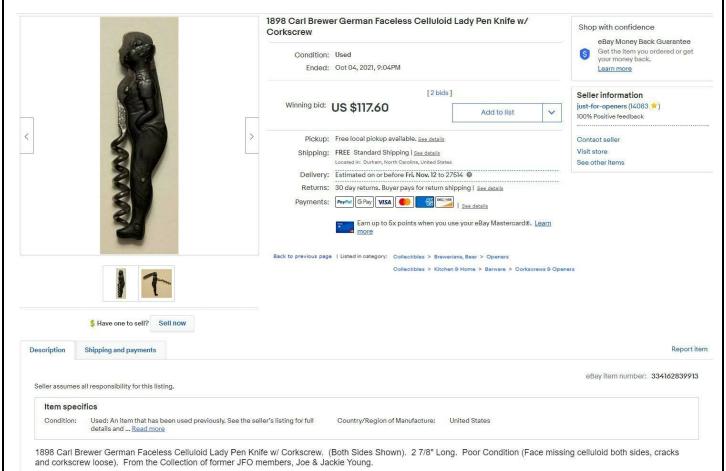
### Just For Openers January-December 2021

# Carl Brewer Celluloid Handle Knife & Corkscrew Sold, Confiscated by eBay Global Shipping, & Resold



On October 6th, I sold the above corkscrew from the Joe and Jackie Young Collection on eBay. The buyer from Poland promptly paid and I shipped the item. On October 15th I received the message from eBay (shown to the right). They had deemed the item "restricted" due to eligibility requirements within the Global Shipping Program. The buyer will have his money refunded and I get to keep my money from the sale. It doesn't seem too bad really but I wondered what happens to the corkscrew/knife. Ebay was not returning it to me. A few weeks later I find out.

#### RESTRICTED ITEM

Dear John

We are writing to inform you that your recent transaction sold through the Global Shipping Program to [leckaczmare-0] cannot be completed.

The item in question has been deemed restricted. This could be due to import/shipping restrictions or eligibility requirements within the Global Shipping Program. The item will not be shipped forward to its final destination and will not be returned to you.

Don't worry! Your buyer will be notified and refunded automatically by eBay within 72 hours. You will retain the buyer's original payment. At this time, the transaction is considered complete, and no further action is needed.

Visit our help page to learn more about item eligibility, dimensional requirements, and prohibited items.



1898 Carl Brewer German Faceless Celluloid Lady Pen Knife w/ Corkscrew

Sold for: \$101.60

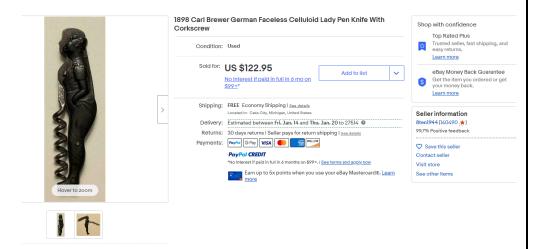
Item number: 334162839913 Item sold on: Oct 06, 2021 11:31 PDT Quantity sold: 1 Buyer: leckaczmare-0

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Three weeks later I am surfing eBay and saw this listing. It is the "confiscated" corkscrew being sold by a seller in Michigan, "8ten1944". He was a top rated seller and what got me was, he used my pictures and description. It took about a month but he sold it (December 2nd) and to show you how small a world it is. One of Don Bull's customers bought it. He is a knife collector from Italy. He was buying several items from Don's sale of the Bert Giulian Collection and just wanted it added to his box to be shipped to Italy. His buyer had been a customer of mine last summer and had bought a few knives from me. I did send 8ten1944 an eBay message asking how he got the knife but no response. My Global Shipping Center is Louisville, Ky. Something really strange about how this went down.

Don's version of the story is to the right.



Here's a funny story.

John Stanley listed a corkscrew on ebay: <u>1898 Carl Brewer German</u> Faceless Celluloid Lady Pen Knife w/ Corkscrew | eBay

It was sold to a buyer in Poland for \$117.60. It was sent through ebay global shipping in October 2021.

The buyer in Poland did not receive it. Ebay refunded the money. John got to keep what he was paid.

The corkscrew turned up for sale by a seller in Cass City, Michigan. The ebay listing was 1898 Carl Brewer German Faceless Celluloid Lady Pen Knife With Corkscrew | eBay The seller used John's photos and description. Part of their "about" is "Since 2016, 8TEN Industries has been a leading asset recovery provider supporting national retailers, brands, and manufacturers." Hmmmm....sounds a little fishy.

The corkscrew was sold to Rino Sauta in Italy for \$122.95 on December 2.

Rino had purchased some corkscrews from Don Bull and asked that he hold them and he would have this one shipped to him if OK. Don agreed.