ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2002



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE COMPANY

PURSUANT TO SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 4, together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2002 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective Responsibilities of the Directors and the Auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

We have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 4 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

Scott & Wilkinson Dalton House 9 Dalton Square Lancaster LA1 1WD

10 April 2003

and Registered Auditors

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Chartered Accountants

THE LANCASTER FARMERS' AUCTION MART COMPANY, LIMITED ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2002

		2002		2001	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	2				
Tangible assets			801,132		816,930
Investments			-		-
			801,132		816,930
Current Assets					
Debtors		571,893		427,056	
Cash at bank and in hand		152,240		280,557	
		724,133		707,613	
Creditors: Amounts Falling due Within	One	,		•	
Year		(439,828)		(449,623)	
Net Current Assets			284,305		257,990
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			1,085,437		1,074,920
Capital and Reserves					
Called-up equity share capital	3		250,000		250,000
Revaluation reserve			535,256		535,256
Profit and Loss Account			300,181		289,664
Shareholders' Funds			1,085,437		1,074,920

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part VII of the Companies Act 1985.

These financial statements were approved by the directors on the 10 April 2003 and are signed on their behalf by:

J E Drinkall Esq

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of certain fixed assets, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

Turnover

The turnover shown in the profit and loss account represents amounts invoiced during the year, exclusive of Value Added Tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Freehold Property - 2% Straight Line
Office and Restaurant Equipment - 10 - 25% Straight Line
Fixtures and Fittings - 10% Straight Line
Motor Vehicles - 25% Straight Line
Computer Equipment - 25% Straight Line

The company has taken advantage of the transitional arrangements of the FRSSE with regard to the freehold property which is shown in the accounts at its 1983 valuation. No further revaluations are to be done

The property is well maintained and has a long expected useful life. The residual value of the freehold properties is also greater than the carrying value in these accounts. In accordance with the FRSSE the directors have adopted a policy of yearly impairment reviews and consider depreciation on the freehold property to be immaterial. As a result no depreciation has been charged in the year.

Pension Costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. The annual contributions payable are charged to the Profit and Loss Account.

Deferred Taxation

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method to take account of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounts purposes and their treatment for tax purposes. Tax deferred or accelerated is accounted for in respect of all material timing differences.

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2.	Fixed	Assets

	Tangible
	Assets
	£
Cost or Valuation	
At 1 January 2002	1,236,575
Additions	13,849
Disposals	(43,549)
At 31 December 2002	1,206,875
Depreciation	
At 1 January 2002	419,645
Charge for year	14,347
On disposals	(28,249)
At 31 December 2002	405,743
Net Book Value	
At 31 December 2002	801,132
At 31 December 2001	816,930

3. Transactions With the Directors

The directors of the company use the auction mart on a normal commercial basis, paying commission at the same rates and under the same conditions as all other vendors.

The directors trading through the company were J R Collinge Esq, J E Drinkall Esq, J A Geldard Esq, G M Preece Esq, J H Towers Esq and S Cornthwaite Esq.

4. Share Capital

Authorised share capital:

	2002	2001
	£	£
500,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	500,000	500,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid:		
• • •	2002	2001
	£	£
250,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	250,000	250,000