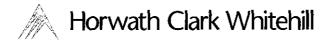
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PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 30 JUNE 2004





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PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2004.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The company's principal activity during the year was to represent the interests of its members, which principally comprise businesses involved in the publication of magazines.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The trading surplus for the year, after taxation, amounts to £31,893 (2003: surplus £23,960). The retained surplus carried forward at 30 June 2004 was £209,187 (2003: £177,294).

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The directors aim to continue the management policies that have enabled the association to maintain and develop services to its members.

DIRECTORS

The directors who served during the year were as follows:

Keith Jones (Chairman)

Derek Carter (Deputy Chairman – until October 2003) Nicholas Coleridge (Deputy Chairman – from October 2003)

Helen Alexander

Sylvia Auton (appointed July 2003)

John Brown Brin Bucknor

Sally Cartwright, OBE

Vivian Cotterill (resigned July 2003)

Martin Durham Duncan Edwards Robert Findlay Ian Fletcher Bernard Gray

Christian Guy (resigned September 2003)
Kevin Hand (appointed July 2003)
Greg Ingham (appointed February 2004)

Paul Keenan Ian Locks

Andrew Lynam-Smith

PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

DIRECTORS (CONTINUED)

Colin Morrison

(resigned February 2004)

Peter Phippen

Michael Potter

(resigned September 2003)

Alistair Ramsay

Charles Reed

Julian Treasure

(resigned September 2003)

(resigned July 2004)

Alan Urry

Eric Verdon-Roe

Tim Weller

David Goodchild was appointed a director during July 2004.

In addition to the above the following individuals were co-opted but not full board members during the year:

PPA Scotland:

Robin Hodge until replaced by Nick Creed in July 2004

PPA Ireland:

John Donnelly until replaced by Rosemary Delaney in July 2003

APA:

Lisa Barnard

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IPAC:

David Devoto (resigned July 2004)

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

During the year donations totalling £12,600 (2003 £10,000) were made to charitable organisations.

AUDITORS

Following the transfer of substantially all of the business of Horwath Clark Whitehill to a limited liability partnership on 1 April 2004, Horwath Clark Whitehill resigned and the directors appointed their successor, Horwath Clark Whitehill LLP, as auditors.

Horwath Clark Whitehill LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution proposing their reappointment will be submitted to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By Order of the Board

Secretary

PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The purpose of this statement is to distinguish the directors' responsibilities for the financial statements from those of the auditors, as stated in their report.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the company's state of affairs at the end of the year and of its profit or loss for the period. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

The directors are responsible for ensuring that the directors' report and other information included in the annual report is prepared in accordance with company law in the United Kingdom.



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED

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We have audited the financial statements of Periodical Publishers Association Limited for the year ended 30 June 2004 set out on pages 5 to 11. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Unqualified opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 June 2004 and of its surplus for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

19 November 2004

Horwath Clark Whitehill LLP Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

	Notes	2004 £	2003 £
INCOME Members subscriptions receivable Member services and promotional activities NRS / Consumer magazines readership research Interest receivable		1,455,689 2,726,443 1,460,487 24,629	1,426,370 2,577,943 1,530,907 15,536
		5,667,248	5,550,756
EXPENDITURE Staff costs Accommodation costs General administration expenses Travelling and entertaining expenses NRS / Consumer magazines readership research Subscriptions and donations Member services and promotional activities	2	1,563,484 401,772 303,603 47,833 1,430,487 52,513 1,827,179 5,626,871	1,380,383 384,583 304,425 42,742 1,502,907 120,667 1,785,517
SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE BEFORE TAXATION	3	40,377	29,532
Taxation	4	(8,484)	(5,572)
RETAINED SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		31,893	23,960
Retained surplus brought forward		177,294	153,334
RETAINED SURPLUS CARRIED FORWARD		209,187	177,294

The income and expenditure account contains all the gains and losses recognised in the current and previous year and the retained surplus is the only movement in reserves in those years.

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED BALANCE SHEET 30 JUNE 2004

	Notes	2004 £	2003 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	5	119,481	113,910
Tangusta about	Ū		
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	6	696,224 1,471,684	964,548 1,242,225
		2,167,908	2,206,773
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	7	(2,077,733)	(2,134,684)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		90,175	72,089
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		209,656	185,999
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES Deferred tax	8	(469)	(8,705)
NET ASSETS		209,187	177,294
RESERVES		000 407	477.004
Retained surplus		209,187	177,294

Approved by the Board on and signed on its behalf by:

Directors

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

	Notes	2004 £	2003 £
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	1	266,900	<u>556,637</u>
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF			
FINANCE Interest received		24,629	15,536
TAXATION UK Corporation Tax paid		(2,270)	(3,158)
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CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL INVESTMENT Receipts from sale of tangible fixed assets		-	3,000
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(59,800)	(20,562)
		(59,800)	(17,562)
INCREASE IN CASH	2	229,459	551,453
NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT			
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING SURPLUS TO NE CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	T		
Operating surplus		15,748	13,996
Depreciation Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets		54,229	59,359 (126)
Decrease in debtors		268,324	129,828
(Decrease)/increase in creditors		(71,401)	353,580
NET CASH INFLOW FROM		000 000	EE0 007
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		266,900	<u>556,637</u>
2. RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT ON NET CASH			
Increase in cash in the year		229,459	551,453
Net cash at 1 July		1,242,225	690,772
Net cash at 30 June		1,471,684	1,242,225

PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

(b) Subscriptions

Subscriptions receivable are normally payable on 1 January in each year and are taken into account during the accounting period to which they relate.

(c) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost evenly over their estimated useful lives at the following rates:

Computer equipment

- 33 1/3% per annum

Furniture and other equipment

- 10% per annum

Motor cars

- 20% per annum

Tangible fixed assets purchased for specific projects are written off over the life of the project.

(d) Operating Leases

The costs of operating leases are charged to the income and expenditure account as they accrue.

(e) Pension Costs

Pension costs are charged to the profit and loss account as incurred.

PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

2.	STAFF COSTS	2004	2003
	(including directors' emoluments)	£	£
	Managand polories	4 075 040	4 447 705
	Wages and salaries	1,275,340	1,117,725
	Social security costs	156,244	133,010
	Other pension costs	82,179	72,359
	Recruitment, temporary staff and other related expenses	49,721	57,289
		4 562 494	1 290 202
		1,563,484	1,380,383
	The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the shown above.	charge for the	e year is as
	The average weekly number of employees		
	during the year was:	No.	No.
	during the year was.	140.	740.
	Management and administration	35	31
	3		
	Directors' remuneration	£	£
	Emoluments	151,159	142,052
	Company contributions to money purchase pension schemes	15,838	21,678
	Company continuations to money parended periodicit continue		
		166,997	163,730
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		No.	No.
	Number of directors accruing pension benefits	1	1
	* ·		
	During the year Valerie Locks, wife of lan Locks, received £28,287 (200 for organising exhibitions.	3 £24,326) o	n contracts
3.	SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		
		£	£
	This is stated after charging:		
	Auditors' remuneration	5,300	5,150
	Operating lease rentals – land and buildings	237,930	261,000
	Depreciation	54,229	59,359
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The company has annual land and buildings operating lease commitments of £166,500 for a lease expiring in excess of five years time.

PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

4.	TAXATION				
٦.				2004	2003
				£	£
	Deferred tax (see note 8)			(8,236)	3,705
	UK Corporation tax on taxable profit for the			17,037	2,587
	Over provision of UK corporation tax in resp	ect of prior yea	ars .	(317)	(720)
				8,484	5,572
	Factors affecting the tax charge for the year	ear	•		
	The tax for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation to differences are explained below:				(19%). The
	Surplus of income over expenditure before t	axation		40,377	29,532
	Surplus of income over expenditure multiplie	ed by the stand	dard rate of		
	UK corporation tax Effects of:	or by the stand		7,672	5,611
	Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Marginal relief			1,129	1,035 (1,383)
	Capital allowances in excess of depreciation	1		2,748	(1,229)
	Other short term timing differences			5,488	(1,447)
				17,037	2,5 <u>8</u> 7
5.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS				
٠.	TANOIDEETIMEDINOETO		Furniture		
		Computer	And other	Motor	
		Equipment	Equipment	Cars	Total
	Cost	£	£	£	£
	At 1 July 2003	155,434	256,370	25,000	436,804
	Additions	56,232	3,568	-	59,800
	Disposals	(100,028)			(100,028)
	At 30 June 2004	111,638	259,938	25,000	396,576
	Depreciation				
	At 1 July 2003	130,086	186,141	6,667	322,894
	Charge for the year	23,761	25,468	5,000	54,229
	Disposals	(100,028)			(100,028)
	At 30 June 2004	53,819	211,609	11,667	277,095
	Net book value				
	At 30 June 2004	57,819	48,329	13,333	119,481
	At 30 June 2003	25,348	70,229	18,333	113,910

PERIODICAL PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

6.	DEBTORS	2004	2003
•-		£	£
	Trade debtors	380,766	598,853
	Other debtors	117,676	130,668
	Prepayments and accrued income	197,782	235,027
	and the state of t		
		696,224	964,548
7.	CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year		
	Trade creditors	94,524	141,794
	Corporation tax	17,037	2,587
	Other creditors - National Readership Survey	248,275	519,556
	Other creditors – other	495,402	515,017
	Other taxes and social security	38,770	-
	Accruals	223,519	183,796
	Deferred income - PPA membership subscriptions and other	960,206	771,934
		2,077,733	2,134,684
8.	DEFERRED TAX		
	At 1 July 2003	8,705	5,000
	Charge for the year (see note 4)	(8,236)	3,705
	At 30 June 2004	469	8,705
	71 30 June 2004		
	The deferred tax balance comprises:		
	Accelerated capital allowances	5,928	8,675
	Short term timing differences	(5,459)	30
	•	469	8,705
		409	0,700

9. COMPANY STATUS

The company is limited by guarantee and consequently has no share capital. The liability of each of the company's members is limited to not exceed £1.