"THE CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE" MERCHANDISING LIMITED

(Company No. 1437656)

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2000

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors submit their report and accounts for the year ended 31st December 2000.

Results and dividends

The trading profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £658,836. The directors recommend an ordinary dividend of £658,000 leaving a retained profit of £836 to be carried forward.

Review of the business

The Company's principal activity during the year continued to be the ownership of trademarks identified with the Open Golf Championship and the promotion of these trademarks worldwide through licensing agreements.

At 1st January 2000, the Company owned 75% of the 'A' Ordinary Shares and 60% of the 'B' Ordinary Shares of R&A Open Championship Merchandising Limited, a company incorporated in the United Kingdom. During the year, the Company acquired the minority shareholding at par of both the 'A' and 'B' Ordinary Shares.

The Company traded satisfactorily throughout the year and this pattern is expected to continue during the current year.

Directors' responsibilities for the accounts

Company Law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those accounts, the directors are required to: select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent and; prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume 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 accounts 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 and other irregularities.

Directors and their interests

The directors of the company during the year were:-

I.W.L. Webb (Resigned 20th September 2000)
H.M. Campbell
A.J.N. Loudon (Resigned 20th September 2000)
J.F. Gibson (Appointed 20th September 2000)
N.J. Crichton (Appointed 20th September 2000)

None of the directors during the year held a beneficial interest in the issued share capital of the company.

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Mr H.M. Campbell retired by rotation at the Annual General Meeting held in November 2000 and, being eligible, was duly re-elected.

Auditors

Ernst & Young have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution proposing their re-appointment will be submitted at the Annual General Meeting.

By order of the board

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M.T. DOBELL Secretary

16th March 2001

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

to the members of "The Championship Committee" Merchandising Limited

We have audited the accounts set out on pages 5 to 8 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on Page 7.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 2 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on these accounts and to report our opinion to you. Our responsibilities, as independent auditors, are established in the United Kingdom by statute, the Auditing Practices Board and by our profession's ethical guide.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, 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 accounts 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 accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st December 2000 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Ernst & Young Registered Auditor

Ernst & Young

EDINBURGH 16th March 2001

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31st December 2000

	NOTES	£	2000 £	1999 £
INCOME		L	L	£
Turnover Dividend from Subsidiary Interest received Gains on Foreign Exchange	2	1,010,672 174,601 17,538 4,085	·	737,305 18,212 7,943 322
			1,206,896	763,782
EXPENDITURE				
Annual trademark fee to The Royal & Ancient Golf Club of S Commission Legal and professional fees Audit fee Sundry expenses	t. Andrews	5,000 294,989 31,989 2,000 7,342		5,000 229,663 7,305 2,000 200
			341,320	244,168
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	4	_	865,576 206,740	519,614 155,236
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation Dividend proposed		_	658,836 658,000	364,378 364,000
Retained profit brought forward		_	836 7,488	378 7,110
Retained profit carried forward			£8,324	£7,488

BALANCE SHEET

as at 31st December 2000

	NOTES	£	2000 £	1999 £
FIXED ASSETS				
Investment in Subsidiary	5		200	135
CURRENT ASETS				
Amount due by The Royal & Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews Debtors and Prepayments Cash at bank		394,610 232,327 180,997 807,934		272,561 33,336 260,259 566,156
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year Corporation tax payable Dividend Payable Trade creditors and accruals	4	92,686 658,000 49,024 799,710		104,091 364,000 90,612 558,703
Net Current Assets			8,224	7,453
			£8,424	£7,588
Represented by: CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Profit and loss account	6		100 8,324 8,424	100 7,488 7,588

Approved by the Board, 16th March 2001

N.J. Crichton Director Multiplication.

Campbell Director Multiplication.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The Company has taken advantage of the exemption allowed by FRS1 for small companies from preparing a Statement of Cash Flows.

Consolidated Accounts

As the Company and its subsidiary are both small companies, advantage has been taken of the exemption allowed by Section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 from preparing consolidated accounts.

Foreign Currencies

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of conversion to sterling.

All differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents amounts receivable during the financial year from current licensing agreements.

A geographical analysis of turnover is as follows:	2000 1	
	£	£
United Kingdom	11,786	16,789
Overseas	998,886	<u>720,516</u>
	£1.010.672	£737.305

3. **DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION**

There is no directors' remuneration for the year (1999 - Nil)

4. TAXATION

The taxation charge for the year comprises:-	2000	1999
Corporation tax at 30.00% (1999 30.25%) Previous year under/(over) provision	205,116 	152,331 <u>2,905</u> £ <u>155,236</u>
Corporation tax payable comprises:-	£	£
Taxation charge on profits of the year (as above) Less: Corporation tax paid to account Overseas tax suffered	205,116 (49,237) (63,193)	152,331 - (48,240)
Corporation tax per balance sheet	£ 92,686	£104.091

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

5. **INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARY**

The profit on ordinary activities after tax of the subsidiary company for the period ended 31st December 2000 was £174,601, the dividend proposed is £174,601 and its net assets at 31st December 2000 amounted to £200.

6.	SHARE CAPITAL	2000	1999
	Authorised, allotted, called up and fully paid		
	100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	£100	£100

The whole of the issued share capital of the Company is owned by The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews.