The Ultimate Snack Food Company Limited

Report and Accounts

31 December 1994



Registered No. 1977220

DIRECTORS

A G Clark

A D Frew

SECRETARY

A D Frew

AUDITORS

Ernst & Young Norham House 12 New Bridge Street West Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 8AD

REGISTERED OFFICE

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 1994.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The loss for the year after taxation is £5,947.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

On 7 June 1993 the activities of the company were transferred to United Biscuits (UK) Limited.

The company has therefore not traded during the year.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors at 31 December 1994, none of whom had any interest in the share capital of the company, were as follows:

A G Clark

A D Frew

The interests of the directors and their families in the share capital of the ultimate parent company, United Biscuits (Holdings) plc, at the beginning and end of the year are as set out in that company's directors' report.

By order of the Board

A D Frew Secretary

24 March 1995

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF 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 for the company for that year. 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts.
- 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.

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

to the members of The Ultimate Snack Food Company Limited

We have audited the accounts on pages 6 to 10 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and on the basis of the accounting policies set out on page 8.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 4 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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 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 31 December 1994 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985.

Ernst & Young Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor Newcastle upon Tyne

24 March 1995

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 December 1994

		Year ended 31 December 1994	9 month period ended 1 January 1994
	Notes	£	£
TURNOVER Cost of sales	2	- -	1,095,232 (972,741)
GROSS PROFIT		-	122,491
Distribution costs		-	(238,500)
Administrative expenses		-	(140,764)
OPERATING LOSS	3		(256,773)
Interest payable	6	(170)	(20,589)
LOSS BEFORE TAX AND EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS Cost of fundamental restructuring	7	(170) (5,777)	(277,362)
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	11	£(5,947)	£(277,362)
STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LO		Year ended cember 1994	9 month period ended I January 1994
Loss on ordinary activities after taxation Goodwill written off		(5,947)	(277,362) (18,000)
Total recognised gains and losses relating to the year		£(5,947)	£(295,362)

BALANCE SHEET

at 31 December 1994

		31 December 1994	I January 1994
	Notes	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors	8	34,545	38,626
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	9	34,545 (728,978)	38,626 (727,112)
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(694,433)	(688,486)
		£(694,433)	£(688,486)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up equity share capital	10	5,168	5,168
Profit and loss account	11	(699,601)	(693,654)
Shareholder's funds		£(694,433)	£(688,486)

A G Clark Director

24 March 1995

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 31 December 1994

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The accounts are prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The company has not produced a cash flow statement as the ultimate holding company United Biscuits (Holdings) plc has prepared a consolided cash flow statement complying with FRS 1.

Goodwill

Goodwill relating to a business purchased by the company which was formerly amortised over a period of 10 years was written off to reserves in the previous period.

2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents amounts invoiced in respect of goods and service sold to customers during the year, which is stated net of value added tax.

3. OPERATING LOSS

This is stated after charging:

	Year ended 31 December 1994	9 month period ended I January 1994
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration	-	750
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	-	5,676
Depreciation of assets held under finance leases	•	391
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4. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

The directors did not receive any remuneration from the company during the year (1 January 1994: £Nil)

5. STAFF COSTS

		9 month
	Year ended	period ended
	31 December	1 January
	1994	1994
	£	£
Wages and salaries	-	187,118
Social security costs	-	12,723
Other pension costs		3,408
	£-	£203,249

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6. INTEREST PAYABLE

	Year ended 31 December 1994	9 month period ended I January 1994
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	170	16,479
Other loans not wholly repayable within five years Payable to group undertakings	- -	1,360 2,750
	£170	£20,589

7. RESTRUCTURING COSTS

Restructuring costs relate to administration costs attributable to the integration with the KP Foods Group.

8. DEBTORS

	31 December 1994	1 January 1994
Amounts owed by group undertakings Other debtors	£	£
	24,000 10,545	26,266 12,360
	£34,545	£38,626

9. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	31 December	1 January
	1994	1994
	£	£
Bank overdraft and loans	-	2,208
Amounts owed to group undertakings	728,978	716,654
Accruals and deferred income	-	8,250
	£728,978	£727,112

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at 31 December 1994

10. EQUITY-SHARE CAPITAL

				Allotted,
				called up and
		Authorised		fully paid
	31 December	1 January	31 December	1 January
	1994	1994	1994	1994
	No.	No.	£	£
Ordinary shares of 10p each	13,850	13,850	518	518
'A' Ordinary shares of 10p each	23,250	23,250	2,325	2,325
'B' Ordinary shares of 10p each	23,250	23,250	2,325	2,325
	60,350	60,350	£5,168	£5,168
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11. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	Share	Profit and	
	capital	loss account	Total
	£	£	£
At 29 March 1993	5,168	(398,292)	(393,124)
Loss for the period	-	(277,362)	(277,362)
Goodwill written off	-	(18,000)	(18,000)
At 1 January 1994	5,168	(693,654)	(688,486)
Loss for the year	-	(5,947)	(5,947)
At 31 December 1994	£5,168	£(699,601)	£(694,433)
			

12. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

There were no capital commitments at 31 December 1994 (1 January 1994: £Nil).

13. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The ultimate parent company is United Biscuits (Holdings) plc which is incorporated in Scotland. Copies of the group accounts can be obtained from Church Road, West Drayton, Middlesex, UB7 7PR.