

Annual Report

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Directors' Report

The directors submit their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 April 1997.

Results

The trading loss for the year after tax was £4,167.

Principal activity

The company's principal activity during the year continued to be that of traders in motor vehicles.

Directors

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the shares of the company throughout were as follows:

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Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements 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 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;
- prepare the financial statements 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 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 and other irregularities.

Directors' Report continued

Auditors

A resolution to reappoint the auditors, Francis Clark, Chartered Accountants, will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

By Order of the Board
Secretary

Auditors' Report to the Members

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 1 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board, except that the scope of our work was limited as explained below.

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 judgements 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 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. However, the evidence available to us was limited because we were not appointed auditors of the company until 30 August 1996 and in consequence it was not possible for us to perform the auditing procedures necessary to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence as regards stocks included in the preceding years' financial statements at £70,200. Any adjustment to opening stocks would have a consequential effect on the loss for the year ended 30 April 1997.

Qualified opinion arising from limitation in audit scope

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 April 1997 and, except for any adjustments that might have been found to be necessary had we been able to obtain sufficient evidence concerning stocks as at 1 May 1996 of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

In respect alone of the limitation on our work relating to stocks:

- we have not obtained all the information and explanations that we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit; and
- we were unable to determine whether proper accounting records had been maintained.

Francis Clark
Chartered Accountants
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D February 1998

Registered Auditors

Profit and Loss Account

Year ended 30 April 1997

	Notes	1997 £	1996 £
Turnover		1,802,159	1,570,457
Cost of sales		1,769,737	1,524,694
Gross profit		32,422	45,763
Administrative expenses		(166,496)	(108,500)
		(134,074)	(62,737)
Other operating income		131,975	22,900
Operating loss		(2,099)	(39,837)
Interest payable		2,068	2,968
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	2	(4,167)	(42,805)
Taxation on loss on ordinary activities	3	•	•
Deficit transferred from reserves	9	£ (4,167)	£ (42,805)

Movements on reserves are set out in note 9 on page 8.

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the year.

The company's results derive from continuing activities.

Balance Sheet

30 April 1997

		1997	1996
Fixed assets	Notes	£	£
Tangible assets	4	1,288	1,468
Current assets			
Stocks	5	55,905	70,200
Debtors	6	206,932	197,102
Creditors - Amounts falling		262,837	267,302
due within one year	7	324,917	316,228
Net current liabilities		(62,080)	(48,926)
Total assets less current liabilities		(60,792)	(47,458)
Creditors - Amounts falling due			
after more than one year	7	-	9,167
		£ (60,792)	£ (56,625)
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	8	100	100
Profit and loss account	9	(60,892)	(56,725)
Shareholders' funds	9	£ (60,792)	£ (56,625)

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Approved by the Board on 27 Ferguary 1998 and signed on its behalf by

Director

Notes and Accounting Policies

Year ended 30 April 1997

1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and are in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

(a) Turnover

Turnover represents sales at invoice value less trade discounts allowed and excluding value added tax.

(b) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible assets are depreciated by equal annual instalments over their estimated useful lives, at the following rates:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment

15-25%

(c) Stock

Stock is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value using the first in first out method.

Cost comprises the actual cost of purchases. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price reduced by all costs of selling and distribution.

(d) Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred tax, using the liability method, to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

(e) Assets held under hire purchase agreements

Vehicles purchased for resale which are held under hire purchase agreements are treated as stock. The finance charges are allocated over the agreement period in equal monthly instalments.

(f) Pension costs

Retirement benefits for certain employees are provided by money purchase schemes which are funded by contributions from the company. Contributions are charged against profits of the year in which they are paid.

2	Loss on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation	1997	1996
	The loss on ordinary activities before taxation is after charging:	£	£
	Directors' emoluments	55,000	55.000
	Auditors remuneration	2,000	2,000
	Finance charges on hire purchase agreements	1,200	675
	Depreciation written off tangible fixed assets	180	159
	Pension contributions	2,400	600

Notes and Accounting Policies

Year ended 30 April 1997

3 Taxation

No provision is necessary for corporation tax due to the availability of losses. Losses available for relief against future profits amount to £60,000 (1996 - £ 56,000)

4 Fixed Assets - Tangible

	Cost		Fixture, fittings & equipment £
	At 1 May 1996 and at 30 April 1997		1,627
	Depreciation		
	At 1 May 1996 Charge for year		159 180
-	At 30 April 1997		339
	Net book amounts At 30 April 1996		£1,468
	At 30 April 1997		£1,288
5	Stock	1997 £	1996 £
	Goods for resale	£55,905 ————	£70,200
6	Debtors		
	Due within one year: Trade debtors Amounts due from related undertakings Corporation tax recoverable Other taxation Other debtors	52,316 136,745 1,800 4,349 11,722	14,488 171,492 - - 11,122
		£206,932	£197,102

Notes and Accounting Policies

Year ended 30 April 1997

7	Creditors	1997	1996
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year:		
	Bank overdraft	79,769	69,448
	Trade creditors	66,022	79,017
	Amounts due to related undertakings	141,753	141,050
	Other taxation and social security	3,206	11,073
	Hire purchase instalments	9,167	10,000
	Directors' current accounts	13,300	-
	Other creditors	11,700	5,640
		£324,917	£316,228
	Amounts falling due after more than one year:		
	Hire purchase instalments	£ -	£9,167
			

All hire purchase instalments are repayable within five years.

Security has been given by the company in respect of £9,167 (1996 - £19,167) of the above creditors.

8 Share Capital

There was no change in share capital during the year.

				Authorised	Allotted and fully paid
	Ordinary shares of £1 each			£1,000	£100
9	Movement in Shareholders' Funds				
		Share capital £	Profit and loss account	1997 £	1996 £
	At 1 May 1996 (13,820)		100	(56,725)	(56,625)
	Loss for the year		(4,167)	(4,167)	(42,805)
	At 30 April 1997	£100	£ (60,892)	£ (60,792)	£ (56,625)

Notes and Accounting Policies

Year ended 30 April 1997

10 Control

The company is under the effective control of its directors.

11 Related Party Transactions

a) During the year the company entered into transactions with companies in which the directors hold an interest as follows:

	Bushbond Limited £	Brooklands (Exeter) Limited £	Slade & Sons Limited £	Option Allied Limited £
Management charges				
receivable	51,675	53,700	26,600	_
Sales	91,000	1,345,000	11,000	-
Purchases	-	2,250	-	-
Recharged expenses Debtor (creditor) as at	-	-	-	1,444
30 April 1997	(141,753)	115,156	20,145	1,444

b) During the year the company entered into the following transactions with the directors:

	M P Belcher £	Mrs B M Belcher £
Purchase of vehicle	-	6,000
Creditor as at 30 April 1997	7,300	6,000

12 Going Concern

The company's balance sheet shows an excess of liabilities over assets amounting to £60,792. The continuation of the company's activities is dependent therefore upon the support of its bankers.

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis on the assumption that their support will continue.