Directors' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 October 2004



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Company information

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Mr P D Thomas

Mrs L H Thomas

Secretary

Mr P D Thomas

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Directors' report for the year ended 31 October 2004

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2004.

Principal activity and review of the business

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of a specialist contractor insurance agency.

Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 4.

The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend.

Directors and their interests

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the company are as stated below:

	Or	Ordinary shares	
	31/10/04	01/11/03	
Mr P D Thomas	91	70	
Mrs L H Thomas	9	30	

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 the affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that year. In preparing these the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and 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.

Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Buckley Watson be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

This report was approved by the Board on 5 May 2005 and signed on its behalf by

Mr P D Thomas

Secretary

Independent auditors' report to the shareholders of INK UNDERWRITING AGENCIES LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of INK UNDERWRITING AGENCIES LIMITED for the year ended 31 October 2004 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the related notes. 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 auditor's 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 opinions 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 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 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.

Independent auditors' report to the shareholders of INK UNDERWRITING AGENCIES LIMITED

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 October 2004 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Buckley Watson Registered auditors

5 May 2005

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Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 October 2004

		2004	2003
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	2	2,865,429	5,000,585
Administrative expenses		(1,570,658)	(4,591,322)
Operating profit	3	1,294,771	409,263
Other interest receivable and similar income	4	205,252	102,498
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		1,500,023	511,761
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(456,794)	(161,993)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		1,043,229	349,768
Dividends		-	(100,000)
Retained profit for the year		1,043,229	249,768
Retained profit brought forward		326,250	76,482
Retained profit carried forward		1,369,479	326,250

Balance sheet as at 31 October 2004

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	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	8		123,336		125,897
Current assets					
Debtors	9	3,705,825		4,109,210	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,435,722		4,803,100	
		5,141,547		8,912,310	
Creditors: amounts falling					
due within one year	10	(3,895,304)		(8,711,857)	
Net current assets			1,246,243		200,453
Net assets			1,369,579		326,350
Capital and reserves			100		100
Called up share capital	11		100		100
Profit and loss account			1,369,479		326,250
Shareholders' funds)		1,369,579		326,350

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 5 May 2005 and signed on its behalf by

Mr P D Thomas

Director

Cash flow statement for the year ended 31 October 2004

	2004		2003	
	£	£	£	£
Cash generated from operations				
Operating profit	1,294,771		409,263	
Reconciliation to cash generated from operation	ns:			
Depreciation	35,425		41,967	
Decrease in trade debtors	366,635		(2,741,810)	
Decrease in other debtors	36,750		(15,873)	
(Decrease) in trade creditors	(5,158,051)		3,497,113	
Increase in other creditors	46,697		17,246	
		(3,377,773)		1,207,906
Cash from other sources				
Interest received	205,252		102,498	
Proceeds from sales of tangible fixed assets	25,894		-	
		231,146		102,498
Application of cash				
Tax paid	(161,993)		(45,379)	
Dividends paid	-		(100,000)	
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(58,758)		(34,348)	
		(220,751)		(179,727)
Net decrease in cash in the year Cash at bank and in hand less		(3,367,378)		1,130,677
overdrafts at beginnning of year		4,803,100		3,672,423
Cash at bank and in hand less overdrafts at end of year		1,435,722		4,803,100
Consisting of: Cash at bank and in hand		1,435,722		4,803,100

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2004

1. Accounting policies

1.1. Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2. Turnover

Turnover represents commissions receivable on policies issued during the accounting period.

1.3. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Plant and machinery

25% reducing balance

Motor vehicles

25% reducing balance

1.4. Pensions

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contribution payable by the company during the year.

1.5. Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation using the liability method to take account of timing differences between the incidence of income and expenditure for taxation and accounting purposes except to the extent that the directors consider that a liability to taxation is unlikely to materialise.

2. Turnover

The total turnover of the company for the year has been derived from its principal activity wholly undertaken in the UK.

3.	Operating profit	2004	2003
		£	£
	Operating profit is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets	41,112	41,967
	Auditors' remuneration	4,000	4,000
	and after crediting:		
	Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets	5,687	
4.	Interest receivable and similar income	2004	2003
		£	£
	Bank interest	205,252	102,498

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2004

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5. Employees

	Number of employees The average monthly numbers of employees (including the directors) during the year were:	2004	2003
	Administration	39	37
	Employment costs	2004 £	2003 £
	Wages and salaries (including employers NI of £125,215; 2003 £215,477) Other pension costs	1,282,069 4,965 1,287,034	1,958,884 3,616 1,962,500
5.1.	Directors' emoluments	2004	2003
	Remuneration and other emoluments	£ 560,000 =====	100,000
	Highest paid director Amounts included above:	£	£
	Emoluments and other benefits	560,000	100,000

6. Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme in respect of the staff. The scheme and its assets are held by independent managers. The pension charge represents contributions due from the company and amounted to £4,965 (2003 - £3,616).

7. Tax on profit on ordinary activities

Analysis of charge in period	2004	2003
	£	£
UK corporation tax	456,846	162,045
Prior period adjustments	(52)	(52)
	456,794	161,993

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2004

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8.	Tangible fixed assets	Plant and machinery £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	Cost			
	At 1 November 2003	191,304	75,020	266,324
	Additions	58,758	-	58,758
	Disposals	*	(39,050)	(39,050)
	At 31 October 2004	250,062	35,970	286,032
	Depreciation			
	At 1 November 2003	107,669	32,758	140,427
	On disposals	-	(18,843)	(18,843)
	Charge for the year	35,598	5,514	41,112
	At 31 October 2004	143,267	19,429	162,696
	Net book values			
	At 31 October 2004	106,795	16,541	123,336
	At 31 October 2003	83,635	42,262	125,897
9.	Debtors		2004 £	2003 £
	Trade debtors		3,705,825	4,072,460
	Prepayments and accrued income		-	36,750
			3,705,825	4,109,210
10.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		2004 £	2003 £
	Trade creditors		3,366,556	8,524,607
	Corporation tax		456,846	162,045
	Other taxes and social security costs		22,797	14,355
	Other creditors		49,105	10,850
			3,895,304	8,711,857

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2004

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11.	Share capital	2004	2003
		£	£
	Authorised		
	1,000.00 Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	1,000	1,000
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	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	100.00 Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	100	100
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