

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED

29 DECEMBER 2002

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Company registration number:

3382348

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Unit 11, Kemble Business Park

Crudwell Malmesbury Wiltshire SN16 9SH

Directors:

J L Falkenburg

N D Evans

Secretary:

J P Stansfield

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CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

It gives me great pleasure to report that the business made tremendous progress during 2002 having continued its recovery from the devastating effects of the foot and mouth epidemic in 2001. In financial terms we achieved an operating profit of £713,000 representing an increase of £570,000 over 2001. Net assets increased by £721,000 to £4,467,000. We are now able to operate from a position of strength in developing our portfolio of stores and services.

The result we achieved is a direct reflection of the outstanding contribution of our management and their teams throughout the business. Their dedication to improving the quality of service we offer to our customers is testament to their commitment to be the best in the outdoors.

July saw the opening of our first store in the Lake District in Keswick. We were pleased to receive many compliments from customers and suppliers on the design of the store being the first of the new format stores which we seek to further evolve in our planned 2003 openings. Towards the end of the year we were able to extend the trading area of our Southampton Hedge End store to provide customers with a greater choice particularly in tent displays and snow and leisure clothing.

To accommodate our plans for further store openings we have at the start of 2003 relocated our warehouse to a larger site. A suite of bespoke offices was provided with the warehouse facility allowing us to combine all our central departments in one location further adding to our logistical capabilities. Our service to all our business channels and thereby to our customers will also further improve. Growth in our online sales channel is continuing to gather impetus to meet growing demand.

Our marketing efforts have been refined throughout 2002 to broaden our appeal and bring us into more frequent contact with our customers. Our company logo has been refreshed to provide a more contemporary appeal whilst building on our heritage. The new logo has been applied to the Glasgow store as part of a more focused approach fully capitalising on the Cotswold brandname.

Despite the uncertain outlook in the world, we remain quietly optimistic for the prospects for 2003 and beyond.

J L Falkenburg Chairman

Date: 17 MAREN 2007

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report together with financial statements for the 52 weeks ended 29 December 2002.

Under the provisions of section 223 of the Companies Act 1985 the directors have prepared accounts to 29 December 2002, rather than the accounting reference date of 31 December 2002.

Principal activities

The company and group are principally engaged in the retailing of outdoor pursuits clothing and equipment

Business review

There was a profit for the period after taxation amounting to £721,000 (30 December 2001: profit £113,000). The directors do not recommend payment of a dividend (30 December 2001: £nil) and the profit has therefore been transferred to reserves.

Directors

The present membership of the Board is set out below. Both directors served throughout the period.

J L Falkenburg N D Evans

No director held any interest in the shares of the company or its subsidiary undertakings as at 31 December 2001 or 29 December 2002, nor any right to subscribe for shares.

Directors' responsibilities for the financial statements

United Kingdom 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 the group and of the profit or loss of the group 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
- 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 presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records, for safeguarding the assets of the group and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Payment policy and practice

The majority of suppliers to the group and company are of a long standing nature and mutually acceptable payment terms, which have been established over the relationship period, will continue during the next year. General payments will be made between 30 and 60 days from the end of the month of delivery. In certain circumstances payment terms will be agreed with suppliers as part of the overall terms of the transaction, and will be adhered to by the company and group.

In respect of the group, period end trade creditors represent 55 days of average purchases.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

Auditors

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Grant Thornton offer themselves for reappointment as auditors in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

J P Stansfield

Secretary

Date 17 MARCH 2003

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF

COTSWOLD OUTDOOR LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Cotswold Outdoor Limited and its subsidiary undertakings for the 52 weeks ended 29 December 2002 which comprise the principal accounting policies, the consolidated profit and loss account, the balance sheets, the consolidated cash flow statement and notes 1 to 26. These financial statements have been prepared under 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 opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom law and accounting standards are set out in the statement of directors' responsibilities.

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 other information contained in the annual report, and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. This information comprises only the directors' report and the chairman's statement. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of 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 group'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.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF

COTSWOLD OUTDOOR LIMITED

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the company and the group as at 29 December 2002 and the profit of the group for the period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

GRANT THORNTON
REGISTERED AUDITORS
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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Date 17:03:03

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards and under the historical cost convention.

The principal accounting policies of the group have remained unchanged from the previous period and are set out below.

BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The group financial statements consolidate those of the company and of its subsidiary undertakings (see note 8) drawn up to 29 December 2002. Profits or losses on intra-group transactions are eliminated in full. On acquisition of a subsidiary, all of the subsidiary's assets and liabilities which exist at the date of acquisition are recorded at their fair values reflecting their condition at that date.

As a matter of accounting policy, goodwill arising on consolidation accounted for in accounting periods ending before 23 December 1998, the implementation date of Financial Reporting Standard No 10: Goodwill and Intangible Assets, was written off to reserves on acquisition. Such goodwill will be charged or credited to the profit and loss account on the subsequent disposal of the business to which it relates.

TURNOVER

Group turnover is the total amount receivable by the group for goods supplied and services provided, excluding VAT and trade discounts.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, net of depreciation.

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost less estimated residual value of all tangible fixed assets other than freehold land by equal annual instalments over their expected useful lives. The rates generally applicable are:

Freehold buildings 2%

Leasehold buildings over the period of the lease

Motor vehicles 25%
Fixtures and fittings 20-50%
Computer equipment 33.3%

INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND GOODWILL

Trademarks purchased separately from a business are included at cost and amortised over their useful economic lives.

Purchased goodwill is amortised on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful economic life of 20 years.

STOCKS

Stocks are stated at the lower of weighted average cost and net realisable value.

DEFERRED TAXATION

Deferred tax is recognised on all timing differences where the transactions or events that give the group an obligation to pay more tax in the future, or a right to pay less tax in the future, have occurred by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognised when it is more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax is measured using rates of tax that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All other exchange differences are dealt with through the profit and loss account.

RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Defined contribution pension scheme

The pension costs charged against profits represent the amount of the contributions payable to the scheme in respect of the accounting period.

LEASED ASSETS

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and depreciated over their expected useful lives. The interest element of leasing payments represents a constant proportion of the capital balance outstanding and is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease.

All other leases are regarded as operating leases and the payments made under them are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

For the 52 weeks ended 29 December 2002

	Note	52 weeks ended 29 December 2002 £'000	52 weeks ended 30 December 2001 £'000
Turnover Cost of sales	1	18,960 (15,923)	15,876 (13,071)
Gross profit	_	3,037	2,805
Administrative expenses Other operating income		(2,357) 33	(2,694) 32
Operating profit	-	713	143
Other interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges	2 _	(37)	(23)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	1	680	120
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4	41	(7)
Profit for the financial period transferred to reserves	16	721	113

There were no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the period.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AT 29 DECEMBER 2002

Fixed assets	Note	29 December 2002 £'000	29 December 2002 £'000	30 December 2001 £'000	30 December 2001 £'000
Intangible assets	6		1,677		1,788
Tangible assets	7		2,351		1,972
			4,028		3,760
Current assets					
Stock	9	3,039		2,799	
Debtors	10	520		612	
Cash at bank and in hand	_	421		11	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	3,980 (3,154)		3,422 (2,997)	
Net current assets			826		425
Total assets less current liabilities			4,854		4,185
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	12		(256)		(349)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	14		(131)		(90)
			4,467	:	3,746
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	15		3,626		3,626
Profit and loss account	16		841	-	120
Equity shareholders' funds	17		4,467	,	3,746

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on

17 MARCH 2003

J L Falkenburg

Director

COMPANY BALANCE SHEET AT 29 DECEMBER 2002

Fixed assets	Note	29 December 2002 £'000	29 December 2002 £'000	30 December 2001 £'000	30 December 2001 £'000
Intangible assets	6		1,677		1,788
Tangible assets	7		2,351		1,497
			4,028		3,285
Current assets					
Stock	9	3,039		2,499	
Debtors	10	546		1,289	
Cash at bank and in hand		421		11	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	4,006 (3,154)	·	3,799 (2,884)	
Net current assets	-		852		915
Total assets less current liabilities			4,880		4,200
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	12		(256)		(350)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	14		(131)		(90)
			4,493		3,760
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	15		3,626		3,626
Profit and loss account	16		867		134
Equity shareholders' funds			4,493		3,760

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 17 MARCH 2003

J L Falkenburg

Director

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the 52 weeks ended 29 December 2002

	Note	52 weeks ended 29 December 2002 £'000	52 weeks ended 30 December 2001 £'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	18	1,256	392
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Interest received Interest paid Finance lease interest paid Net cash outflow from returns on investments		(35) (2)	(19) (4)
and servicing of finance		(33)	(23)
Taxation		-	-
Capital expenditure and financial investment Purchase of intangible fixed assets Purchase of tangible fixed assets Sale of tangible fixed assets		(4) (800) 7	(209) 21
Net cash outflow from capital expenditure and financial investment		(797)	(188)
Financing Capital element of finance lease rentals		(16)	(24)
Net cash outflow from financing		(16)	(24)
Increase in cash	19	410	157

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1 TURNOVER AND PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

The turnover and profit before taxation are attributable to the retailing of outdoor pursuit clothing and equipment.

An analysis of turnover by geographical market is given below:	52 weeks ended 29 December 2002 £'000	52 weeks ended 30 December 2001 £'000
UK Rest of world	18,617 343	15,466 410
	18,960	15,876
The profit on ordinary activities is stated after:	52 weeks ended 29 December 2002 £'000	52 weeks ended 30 December 2001 £'000
Auditors' remuneration: Audit services	17	17
Non-audit services Depreciation and amortisation:	17 6	17 6
Goodwill Tangible fixed assets, owned Tangible fixed assets, held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	115 455 18	116 482 14
Other operating lease rentals	790	842
Other operating income comprises: Lecture income	2	1
Rent receivable in respect of: Operating leases	31	31
INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
	52 weeks ended 29 December 2002 £'000	52 weeks ended 30 December 2001 £'000
On bank overdrafts Finance charges in respect of hire purchase contracts Interest payable to group undertakings	1 2 34	19 4
	37	23

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3 DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

Staff costs during the period were as follows:	52 weeks ended 29 December 2002 £'000	52 weeks ended 30 December 2001 £'000
Wages and salaries	3,038	2,737
Social security costs	211	205
Other pension costs	53	49
	3,302	2,991
The average number of employees of the group during the period were as follows:		
	52 weeks	52 weeks
	ended 29	ended 30
	December	December
	2002 Number	2001 Number
	Number	Nullibei
Selling and distribution	174	143
Administration	38	37
	212	180
December 1 and 1 a	52 weeks	52 weeks
Remuneration in respect of directors was as follows:	ended 29 December	ended 30 December
	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000
Emoluments	165	149
Pension contributions to money purchase pension schemes	21	21
	186	170

During the 52 weeks ended 29 December 2002 one director (52 weeks ended 30 December 2001: one) participated in money purchase pension schemes.

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4 TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

The tax credit/(charge) represents:

	52 weeks ended 29 December 2002 £'000	52 weeks ended 30 December 2001 £'000
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	-	7
Total current tax Origination and reversal of timing differences	(41)	7 -
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	(41)	7

The group has unrelieved tax losses of £112,000 (52 weeks ended 30 December 2001: £852,000) available to offset against future taxable trading profits and unrelieved non trading losses of £1,410,000 (52 weeks ended 30 December 2001: £1,445,000) available to offset against future non-trading income.

The tax assessed for the period is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the United Kingdom of 30% (52 weeks ended 30 December 2001: 30%). The differences are explained as follows:

	52 weeks ended 29 December 2002	52 weeks ended 30 December 2001
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	£'000	£'000
	52 weeks ended 29 December 2002 £'000	52 weeks ended 30 December 2001 £'000
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the United Kingdom of 30% (30 December 2001: 30%)	204	36
Effect of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Depreciation in excess of capital allowances Utilisation of tax losses Short term timing differences Adjustments in respect of prior periods	6 63 (232) (41)	80 (106) (10) 7
Total current tax	-	7

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5 PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD

The parent company has taken advantage of Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985 and has not included its own profit and loss account in these financial statements. The group profit for the period includes a profit of £733,000 (30 December 2001: profit of £127,000) which is dealt with in the financial statements of the company.

6 INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Group and Company	Patents and trademarks £'000	Purchased goodwill £'000	Total £'000
Cost			
At 31 December 2001	-	5,347	5,347
Additions	4	<u> </u>	4
At 29 December 2002	4	5,347	5,351
Amortisation			
At 31 December 2001	-	3,559	3,559
Charge for the period	-	115	115
At 29 December 2002		3,674	3,674
Net book amount			
at 29 December 2002	4	1,673	1,677
Net book amount			
at 30 December 2001	<u>-</u>	1,788	1,788

In carrying out an impairment review at 29 December 2002, detailed cash flow projections were reviewed for a period of five years using a discount rate of 10%. The actual performance of the company has been assessed against these projections. This supports the carrying value of goodwill stated above.

Goodwill included above relates to Cotswold Camping Limited acquired on 2 July 1997. The original cost of the goodwill to the group and company was £5,347,000. Goodwill is amortised over 20 years.

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7 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Group	Freehold land and buildings £'000	Leasehold land and buildings £'000	Motor vehicles £'000	Fixtures and fittings £'000	Computer equipment £'000	Total £'000
Cost						
At 31 December 2001	443	1,167	115	1,022	839	3,586
Additions	-	281	5	392	178	856
Disposals			(39)	-	(10)	(49)
At 29 December 2002	443	1,448	81	1,414	1,007	4,393
Depreciation						
At 31 December 2001	40	375	84	503	612	1,614
Charged for the period	9	61	19	216	168	473
Eliminated on disposals		-	(38)	-	(7)	(45)
At 29 December 2002	49	436	65	719	773	2,042
Net book amount at						
29 December 2002	394	1,012	16	695	234	2,351
Net book amount at 30 December 2001	100				005	1.050
30 December 2001	403	792	31	519	227	1,972

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7 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (CONTINUED)

Company	Freehold land and buildings £'000	Leasehold land and buildings £'000	Motor vehicles £'000	Fixtures and fittings £'000	Computer equipment £'000	Total £'000
Cost						
At 31 December 2001	443	906	106	687	822	2,964
Additions Transfers from group	-	281	5	354	176	816
undertakings	•	261	=	373	19	653
Disposals			(30)		(10)	(40)
At 29 December 2002	443	1,448	81	1,414	1,007	4,393
Depreciation						
At 31 December 2001	40	349	75	405	598	1,467
Charge for the period	9	50	19	144	165	387
Transfers from group						
undertakings	-	37	-	170	17	224
Eliminated on disposals			(29)		(7)	(36)
At 29 December 2002	49	436	65	719	773	2,042
Net book amount at 29						
December 2002	394	1,012	16	695	234	2,351
Net book amount at 30						
December 2001	403	557	31	282	224	1,497

The figures stated above include assets held under hire purchase contracts, as follows:

Group and company	Motor vehicles £'000	Fixtures and fittings £'000
Net book amount at 29 December 2002	15	54
Net book amount at 30 December 2001	32	-
Depreciation provided in the period	16	2

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8 FIXED ASSETS INVESTMENTS

Company	Shares in group under- takings £'000
Cost At 31 December 2001 and 29 December 2002	1,342
Amounts written off At 31 December 2001 and at 29 December 2002	1,342
Net book amount at 29 December 2002	<u> </u>
Net book amount at 30 December 2001	<u> </u>

At 29 December 2002 the group and company held more than 10% of a class of the allotted equity share capital of the following:

	Proportion held by				
Name of undertaking	Country of registration and incorporation	Class of share capital held	Parent company	Group	Nature of business
Subsidiary undertakings:					
Cotswold Camping Limited	United Kingdom	Ordinary	100%	-	Dormant
AS Adventure UK Limited	United Kingdom	Ordinary	100%	-	Retail of outdoor pursuit clothing and equipment

9 STOCKS

	29	Group 30	29	Company 30
	December	December	December	December
	2002	2001	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Goods for resale	3,031	2,788	3,031	2,489
Non trading stock	8	11	8	10
	3,039	2,799	3,039	2,499

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10 DEBTORS

	29 December 2002 £'000	Group 30 December 2001 £'000	29 December 2002 £'000	Company 30 December 2001 £'000
Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings Other debtors Taxation recoverable Prepayments and accrued income	113 22 41 344	255 - 63 - 294	113 26 22 41 344	255 710 63 - 261
	520	612	546	1,289

Included above are the following amounts which are due after more than one year:

		Company
	29	30
	December	December
	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000
Amounts owed by group undertakings		710

11 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

		Group		Company
	29	30	29	30
	December	December	December	December
	2002	2001	2002	2001
	€'000	£,000	£'000	£'000
Trade creditors	1,775	1,480	1,775	1,480
Amounts owed to group undertakings	110	112	110	112
Social security and other taxes	441	834	441	834
Other creditors	96	58	96	58
Accruals	713	500	713	387
Amounts due under finance leases	19	13	19	13
	3,154	2,997	3,154	2,884

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12 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

		Group		Company
	29	30	29	30
	December	December	December	December
	2002	2001	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Amounts owed to group undertakings	207	334	207	335
Amounts due under finance leases	49	15	49	15
	256	349	256	350

13 BORROWINGS

Borrowings are repayable as follows:

Within one year 19 13 Within one year 19 13 After one and within two years 15 11 Finance leases 28 4 After two and within five years 5 - Finance leases 6 - After five years 68 28			Group
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Finance leases After one and within two years Finance leases After two and within five years Finance leases 28 After five years Finance leases 6 -		£'000	£'000
After one and within two years Finance leases After two and within five years Finance leases 28 4 After five years Finance leases 6 -	Within one year		
Finance leases After two and within five years Finance leases 28 4 After five years Finance leases 6 -	Finance leases	19	13
After two and within five years Finance leases 28 4 After five years Finance leases 6 -			
Finance leases 28 4 After five years Finance leases 6 -	Finance leases	15	11
After five years Finance leases 6 -			
Finance leases 6 -	Finance leases	28	4
6828	Finance leases	6	
		68	28

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PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

Group and company	Other provisions £'000
At 31 December 2001 Provided during the period Utilised during the period	90 91 (50)
At 29 December 2002	131

Included in other provisions are the following amounts: £73,000 (2001: £40,000) relating to commitments under leasehold agreements, and other provisions totalling £58,000 (2001: £50,000). All of these provisions are expected to be utilised during the current accounting period.

15 SHARE CAPITAL

	29 December 2002 £'000	30 December 2001 £'000
Authorised 567,500,000 ordinary shares of 1p each	5,675	5,675
Allotted, called up and fully paid 362,569,578 ordinary shares of 1p each	3,626	3,626

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16 RESERVES

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Group		Profit and loss account £'000
At 31 December 2001 Retained profit for the period		120 721
At 29 December 2002		841
Company		Profit and loss account £'000
At 31 December 2001 Retained profit for the period		134 733
At 29 December 2002		867
RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		
	29 December 2002 £'000	30 December 2001 £'000
Profit for the financial period	721	113
Net increase in shareholders' funds Shareholders' funds at 31 December 2001	721 3,746	113 3,633
Shareholders' funds at 29 December 2002	4,467	3,746

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18 NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	29	30
	December	December
	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000
Operating profit	713	143
Depreciation and amortisation	588	612
Profit on sale of tangible fixed assets	(3)	(7)
Increase in stocks	(240)	(471)
Decrease in debtors	133	6
Increase in creditors	65	109
Net cash inflow from continuing operating activities	1,256	392

19 RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET DEBT

	29	30
	December	December
	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000
Increase in cash in the period	410	157
Cash outflow from finance leases in the period	16	24
Change in net debt resulting from cashflows	426	181
Inception of finance leases	(56)	(21)
Movement in net debt in the period	370	160
Net debt at 31 December 2001	(17)	(177)
Net funds at 29 December 2002	353	(17)

20 ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DEBT

	At 31 December 2001 £'000	Cashflow £'000	Non-cash items £'000	At 29 December 2002 £'000
Cash in hand and at bank Finance leases	11 (28)	410 16	- (56)	421 (68)
	(17)	426	(56)	353

21 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

Neither the group nor the company had any capital commitments at 29 December 2002 or 30 December 2001.

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22 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no contingent liabilities at 29 December 2002 or 30 December 2001 except for a guarantee made by the company with HM Customs and Exise for a maximum liability of £60,000 (30 December 2001: £60,000).

23 LEASING COMMITMENTS

Operating lease payments amounting to £945,000 (30 December 2001: £841,000) are due within one year. The leases to which these amounts relate expire as follows:

•	29	29	30	30
	December	December	December	December
	2002	2002	2001	2001
	Land and		Land and	
	buildings	Other	buildings	Other
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
In one year or less	_	42	_	114
Between one and five years	53	43	_	46
In five years or more	807		681	
	860	85	681	160

24 RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Defined Contribution Pension Scheme

The group operates one stakeholder pension scheme for the benefit of the employees and two defined contribution pension schemes for the benefit of management and directors. The assets of the schemes are administered by trustees in a fund independent from those of the group.

25 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

As a wholly owned subsidiary of A.S. Lathouwers NV the company is exempt from the requirements of FRS 8: Related Party Disclosures to disclose transactions with other members of the group headed by A.S. Lathouwers NV.

During the period N D Evans invoiced the company £43,750 (52 weeks ended 30 December 2001: £39,996) for services as a non-executive director of the company.

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26 ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING RELATED PARTY

A.S. Lathouwers NV is this company's controlling related party by virtue of its 100% holding of the issued share capital of the company. The ultimate controlling related parties are Mitiska NV and Emiel Lathouwers as a result of their holding 50% each of the share capital of A.S. Lathouwers NV.

The largest group of undertakings for which group accounts have been drawn up is that headed by Mitiska NV which is incorporated in Belgium and the smallest such group of undertakings, including this company, is that headed by A.S. Lathouwers NV which is incorporated in Belgium. Copies of the group accounts can be obtained at Mitiska NV, Industrielan 23, 1740 Ternat, Brussels, Belgium.