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WILLIAM SANDERSON & SON LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1987.



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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 1987

DIRECTORS

D.W. Jones

N.V. Brown

A.C. Connel C.A.

P.L. Reynolds

A. D. Scott C.A.

J.D. Watson

SECRETARY

W.O. Page C.A.

REGISTERED OFFICE

Distillers House, 33 Ellersly Road, Edinburgh, EH12 6JW.

The Directors present their Report and the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 31st December 1987.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The Company's principal activity during the year was the sale of Scotch Whisky

The position of the Company at the end of the year was satisfactory. The Directors consider that trading conditions will continue to be challenging. Forward plans will be reviewed and developed accordingly, having regard to all the circumstances which affect the Company's operations.

RESULTS, DIVIDEND AND TRANSFER TO RESERVES

After Taxation and Extraordinary Items the profit attributable to shareholders amounted to £1,161,000. The Directors recommend a dividend of £1,080,000 leaving a surplus of £81,000 to be transferred to reserves.

FIXED ASSETS

The changes in the value of fixed assets owned by the Company are summarised in the notes to the financial statements.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

As part of the Group's reorganisation of the export sales function, it is anticipated that during 1988 the company's export sales administration activities will be transferred to a centralised location at Borron Street, Glasgow.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 1987 (Continued)

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

The names of the persons who at 11th March 1988 are Directors of the Company are listed above.

The following were appointed to the Board on 1st May 1987.

D.W. Jones

N.V. Brown

A.R. Douglas

A. Gibson

A.D. Scott was appointed to the Board on 7th March 1988.

the following have resigned from the Board:

M.B.J. Kimmins 17th April 1987
A.R. Douglas 14th August 1987
J.A.P. Hockley 31st December 1987
A. Gibson 31st January 1988

No director had an interest at any time during the year in the shares or debentures of the company the holding company, Guinness PLC, or any fellow subsidiary company other than a non-beneficial interest as nominee.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Price Waterhouse, have expressed their willingness to continue in office and a resolution concerning their reappointment will be submitted at the Annual General Meeting.

By Order of the Board

Lo.C. Yafe Secretary

58 Albany Street Edinburgh, EH1 3PY.

11th March 1988

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

WILLIAM SANDERSON & SON LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 13 in accordance with approved Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs at 31st December 1987 and of its profit for the year then ended and comply with the Companies Act 1985.

The financial statements do not include a statement of source and application of funds as required by Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No. 10.

Price Waterhouse.

Price Waterhouse Chartered Accountants 28 Drumsheugh Gardens Edinburgh

11th March 1988

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 1987

	Motes	Year to 31st December 1987 £1000	Nine Nonths to 31st December 1986 £'000
Turnover	2	8,046	6,188
Net Operating Costs	3	6,481 -	5,760
Operating Profit		1,565	428
Income from shares in Group Companies		213	155 ———
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		1,778	583
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	5	617	151
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		1,161	432
DIVIDENDS	6	1,080	-
RETAINED EARNINGS FOR THE YEAR	18	81	432

The notes on pages 6 to 13 form part of these Financial Statements.

BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER 1987

	<u>Note</u>	<u>s</u>	31st Decembe 1987 £'000	<u>r</u>	31st December
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets Investments	9 10		83 305		778 305
			388		1,083
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	11 12	12 3,600 748		30 3,580 527	
		3,960		4,137	
CREDITORS (amounts falling due within one year)	13	(4,000)		(4,793)
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(40)		(656)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			348		427
CREDITORS (amounts falling due after more than one year)	14		-		(217)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	15		(215)		(158)
			133		52
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share Capital Other Reserves Profit and loss account	17 18 18		38 173 (78)		38 173 (159)
			133		52

Approved by the Board of Directors on 11th March 1988 and signed on its behalf

Director

Director

The notes on pages 6 to 13 form part of these Financial Statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST DECEMBER 1987

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of land and buildings.

1.2 Foreign Currencies

Exchange differences arising from currency conversions in the normal course of trading are dealt with in the profit and loss account.

1.3 Depreciation

Tangible assets (other than land) are depreciated principally on a straight line basis at annual rates estimated to write off their book value over the term of their useful lives. Details of depreciation are given in Note 9 on Page 9.

1.4 Leases

All leases are operating leases and the annual rentals are charged to the profit and loss account.

1.5 Steeks

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

1.6 Deferred Taxation

Deferred taxation is provided to the extent that a liability is expected to become payable within the foreseeable future. Details of the amount provided and the potential liability for deferred taxation are given in Note 16 on Page 12.

1.7 Pension Funding

Contributions to pension funds, which are based on actuarial valuations and adjusted annually on the advice of the actuaries, are charged against profits as they fall due.

2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents the sales invoice value including duties where applicable but excluding value added tax.

The following table analyses turnover by geographical location:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST DECEMBER 1987 (Continued)

		Year to 31st December 1987 £'000	Nine Months to 31st December 1986 £1000
	United Kingdom Republic of Ireland Rest of Europe Africa Asia and Australasia North America	44 89 3,342 337 1,746 1,740 748	10 99 2,714 384 1,335 1,096 550
	Central and South America	8,046	6,188
3.	NET OPERATING COSTS	£1000 .	£1000
	Raw materials and consumables Customs and Excise duties Staff Costs (note 7) Depreciation Exceptional Items (note 4) Other operating charges	3,813 402 155 - 2,224	2,597 4 512 49 58 2,568
	Change in stocks of finished goods and work in progress Other operating income	(17) (100) 	(1) (27) ————————————————————————————————————
	Net Operating Costs are after taking account of:	£1000	£*000
	Hire of plant and machinery Directors' emoluments (note 8) Auditors' remuneration	7 67 13	6 157 13
		87	176
4.	EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS	000ء	£'000
	Redundancy payment/loss of office compensation	-	53
	Costs relating to closure of former offices	<u>-</u>	5
		-	58

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST DECEMBER 1987 (Continued)

5. TAXATION ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY

• "	ACTIVITIES	Year to 31st December 1987 £'000	Nine Months to 31st December 1986 £:000
	Corporation tax for the current year at 35% (1986 - 35%)	710	217
	Deferred taxation	(93)	(66)
		617	151
6.	DIVIDENDS	£1000	£1000
ψ.	Final dividend proposed	1,080	
7.	STAFF COSTS AND EMPLOYEES	£1000	£1000
	(a) Staff Costs		
	Wages and Salaries Social Security Costs	374 28	476 36
		402	512
			
	(b) Average number of employees	Hunber	llumber
	U.K. full-time staff	24	42

8. DIRECTORS EMOLUMENTS

- (a) The total amount of emoluments of Directors of the Company for the year £67,000 (Nine months to 31st December 1986 £157,000) includes fees of £NIL (£NIL), salaries and pension contributions of £67,000 (nine months to 31st December 1986 £157,000) and pensions of £NII (nine months to 31st December 1986 £NIL).
- (b) The emoluments (excluding pension fund contributions) of the Chairman were £NIL (£NIL) and those of the highest paid Director £34,000 (nine months to 31st December 1986 £34,000). Emoluments (excluding pension fund contributions) of other Directors of the company based in the United Kingdom are shown in the following table:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST DECEMBER 1987 (Continued)

		,	Year to 31st December 1987	Nine Months to 31st December 1986
£		£	<u> 1501.</u>	
0	to	5,000	3	-
5,001	to	10,000	3	•
10,001	to	15,000	1	-
20,001	to	25,000	-	4
30,001	to	35,000	-	1

(c) £71,000 was paid by the company to a former director as compensation for loss of office.

9. TANGIBLE ASSETS

TANGEBED ROBER	Freehold Land and <u>Buildings</u> £1000	Plant and Machinery £'000	Road Vehicles £'000	Total
Cost			ı	
At 1st January 1987 Revaluation Expenditure Disposals	1,645 (1,222) 225 (623)	256 - 1 (134)	99 - - (74)	2,000 (1,222) 226 (831)
•				
At 31st December 1987	25	123	25	173
Depreciation At 1st January 1987 Revaluation Charge for year Disposals	1,088 (1,088)	92 10 (29)	42 - 11 (36)	1,222 (1,088) 21 (65)
At 31st Decemer 1987		73	17	90
Net Book Value At 31st December 1987	25	50	8	83
At 31st December 1986	557	164	57	778

⁽a) The company's freehold land and buildings were revalued as at 1st January 1987 by James Barr & Sons (chartered surveyors). As a result the opening book value was reduced by £134,000 and this deficit has been charged as depreciation to the profit and loss account. The revalued assets were largely disposed of during the year. The remaining land at South Queensferry is included at valuation and the directors anticipate that it will be sold for approximately £400,000 during 1988.

⁽b) The following table shows the principal rates of depreciation based on cost, used in the year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST DECEMBER 1987 (Continued)

Service plant - 10% Office equipment - 20% Fixtures & fittings - 5% Computer equipment - 25% Motor Vehicles - 25%

10. INVESTMENTS

Shares in Group Companies £'000

Cost at 1st January and 31st December 1987

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Subsidiary Companies	llature of business	Country of incorporation or registration	Classes of shares <u>held</u>	Proportion held by each <u>class</u>
J. & W. Hardie Ltd.	Scotch Whisky Sellers	Scotland	Ordinary	100\$
VAT Importers (Pty) Ltd.	Scotch Whisky Sellers	South Africa	Ordinary	100ជ

Group Accounts

Group Accounts are not submitted as the Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of another U.K. company. In the opinion of the Directors, the aggregate value of the shares in and the amounts owing by the subsidiary companies is not less than the aggregate value included in the Company's balance sheet.

11. STOCKS

	1987 £1000	1986 £'COO
Finished goods	12	30
		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST DECEMBER 1987 (Continued)

12 <u>DEBTORS</u>	31st December £'000 1987	31st December £'000 1986
Trade debtors Amounts owed by group companies Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income	2,939 642 4 15	3,473 3 99 5
	3,600	3,580
13. CREDITORS (amounts falling due within one year)	£'000	&¹000
Trade Creditors Amounts owed to group companies Corporation Tax Social Security and other taxes Accruals and deferred income	154 2,349 729 1 767	269 3,446 536 23 519 4,793
14. <u>CREDITORS</u> (amounts falling due after more than one year)	£1000	£1000
Corporation tax		217
15. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHAR	GES £1000	£1000
Reorganisation costs Deferred taxation	300 (85)	150 8
	215	158

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31ST DECEMBER 1987 (Continued)

16. DEFERRED TAXATION
The amounts provided and the full potential liabilities are as follows:

	31	st Dece	mber 1987 Full	31st Dec	ember 1986 Full
		ount ovided	potential liability	Amount provided	potential liability
	Reorganisation Costs	(105)	(105)	(53)	(53)
	Excess of capital allowances over accumulated depreciation Chargeable gains on properties	20	20 103	61 -	61 26
		(35)	18	8	34
17.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL	***************************************	31st Decembe 1987 £1000		December 1986 £'000
	Authorised: 150,000 ordinary shares of 25p	each	37.5		37.5
	Allotted and fully paid: 150,000 ordinary shares of 25p	each	37.5		37.5
18.	RESERVES		D644	•	
		Other £'000	Profit Loss £1000		Total 2'000
	At 1st January 1987	173	(159)		14
	Retained earnings		81 ———	•	81
	At 31st December 1987	173	(78)		95
19.	CONMITMENTS		31st Decembe 1987 £1000		December 1986 £1000
	Demolition of former productio	n unit			
	Authorised but not contracted	for	**************************************		180
			-		180
	•			•	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST DECEMBER 1987 (Continued)

Other commitments

Pension Commitments

The company participates in the DCL and Associated Companies Pension Scheme which is designed to provide retirement benefits based largely upon final salaries for all employees. Following an assessment of the pension fund as at 31st March 1985, a surplus has been disclosed and in accordance with the Actuary's recommendation, no contribution has been made to the fund for the nine months ended 31st December 1986, nor for the year ended 31st December 1987. There is no unfunded liability for past service.

20. HOLDING COMPANY

The immediate holding company is United Distillers PLC and the ultimate holding company is Guinness PLC. Both holding companies are incorporated in Great Britain.

It is the ultimate holding company's policy to manage centrally the funds of the Guinness Group. Accordingly, the directors do not consider it informative to prepare a funds flow statement.