Abbreviated Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 1999

John O' Groats Crafts Limited

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31/10/00

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Company Information for the Year Ended 31 December 1999

DIRECTORS:

Mr W D Mowat Mrs A C Mowat

Mr W Mowat

SECRETARY:

Mrs A C Mowat

REGISTERED OFFICE:

Roadside John O'Groats By Wick Caithness KW1 5UR

REGISTERED NUMBER:

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AUDITORS:

Reid and Fraser Registered Auditors Chartered Accountants 15 Princes Street

Thurso Caithness KW14 7BQ

BANKERS:

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Inverness IV1 1NU

SOLICITORS:

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29 Traill Street Thurso

Caithness KW14 8EG

Report of the Auditors to John O' Groats Crafts Limited Under Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages four to seven, together with the full financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 1999 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with Section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements prepared in accordance with Sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the financial statements to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements and that the abbreviated financial statements to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements prepared in accordance with Sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated financial statements on pages four to seven are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

Other information

On 26 October 2000 we reported, as auditors to the shareholders of the company on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1999 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985, and our report was as follows:

"We have audited the financial statements on pages four to ten which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page six.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page two 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 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. However, the evidence available to us was limited because the company was not subject to an audit for the year ended 31 December 1998 and no audit opinion was formed on the opening balances for the current year or on the comparative figures. The evidence available to us was also limited with regard to closing stock of £80,962 over which there was insufficient stock taking controls, on which we could rely for the purpose of our audit. There were no other satisfactory audit procedures that we could adopt to confirm the closing stock. Any adjustment to this figure or the opening balances for the current year would have a consequential significant effect on the profit for the year.

In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Qualified opinion arising from limitation in audit scope

Except for any adjustments that might have been found necessary had we been able to obtain sufficient evidence concerning the opening balances and closing stock, in our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the company's affairs as at 31 December 1999 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Report of the Auditors to John O' Groats Crafts Limited Under Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985

In respect alone of the limitation on our work relating to the opening balances

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

In respect alone of the limitation in our work relating to closing stock:

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

Reid and Fraser Registered Auditors Chartered Accountants

Chartered Accountant
15 Princes Street

Thurso

Caithness

KW14 7BQ

Dated:

Abbreviated Balance Sheet 31 December 1999

	1999		1998		
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS:					
Tangible assets	2		334,836		334,186
Investments	3		100		100
			334,936		334,286
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Stocks		80,962		80,636	
Debtors		438		323	
Cash at bank and in hand		22,136		3,931	
		103,536		84,890	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling					
due within one year	4	33,638		23,135	
NET CURRENT ASSETS:			69,898		61,755
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES:			404,834		396,041
CREDITORS: Amounts falling					
due after more than one year	4		158,329		179,487
			£246,505		£216,554
CAPITAL AND RESERVES:					
Called up share capital	5		6,011		6,011
Profit and loss account			240,494		210,543
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS:			£246,505		£216,554

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

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Mr W D Mowat - DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on ...24/10/00:.....

Notes to the Abbreviated Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Turnover

Turnover comprises the value of goods and services supplied by the company, net of value added tax.

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life or, if held under a finance lease, over the lease term, whichever is the shorter.

Plant and machinery 8% straight line
Fixtures and fittings 15% reducing balance
Motor vehicles 25% reducing balance

No depreciation is charged on freehold property. It is the company's policy to maintain freehold property in such a condition that the value is not impaired by the passage of time.

Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made at current rates for taxation deferred in respect of all material timing differences except to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is reasonable probability that the liability will not arise in the foreseeable future.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts or finance leases are capitalised in the balance sheet. Those held under hire purchase contracts are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. Those held under finance leases are depreciated over their estimated useful lives or the lease term, whichever is the shorter.

The interest element of these obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the relevant period. The capital element of the future payments is treated as a liability.

Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. Contributions payable for the year are charged in the profit and loss account.

Notes to the Abbreviated Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 1999

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Total
	£
COST:	360,359
At 1 January 1999 Additions	5,950
Disposals	(2,399)
At 31 December 1999	363,910
DEPRECIATION:	A (4 E A
At 1 January 1999	26,173 4,725
Charge for year	(1,824)
Eliminated on disposals	(1,021)
At 31 December 1999	29,074
NET BOOK VALUE:	
At 31 December 1999	334,836
At 31 December 1998	334,186
At 51 December 1336	

3. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Investments (neither listed nor unlisted) were as follows:

	1999 £	1998 £
Investment in subsidiary undertaking	100	100
	100	100

The investment in subsidiary undertaking comprises a holding of 100% of the issued share capital of John O'Groats Visitors Centre Limited, a dormant company.

4. CREDITORS

Creditors include the following debts falling due in more than five years:

	1999 £	1998 £
Repayable by instalments Bank loans	117,500	137,500

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5. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised:				
Number:	Class:	Nominal value:	1999 £	1998 £
12,100	Ordinary	£1	12,100	12,100
Allotted, issu	ued and fully paid:			
Number:	Class:	Nominal value:	1999 £	1998 £
6,011	Ordinary	£1	6,011	6,011