Directors' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 August 2001

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Company information

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J S Phelan

G F Barraclough

J A Dolan

Secretary

J S Phelan

Company number

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Registered office

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Accountants

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Directors' report for the year ended 31 August 2001

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2001.

Principal activity

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The principal activity of the company continued to be that of the provision of manpower services to exhibition organisations.

Directors and their interests

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

	Ordi	nary shares
	31/08/01	01/09/00
J S Phelan	1,000	1,000
G F Barraclough	-	-
J A Dolan	-	-

During the year the company contributed £1,307 to charities.

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.

The directors recommend that Payne & Co remain in office until further notice.

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

This report was approved by the Board on 10 April 2002 and signed on its behalf by

J S Phelan

Secretary

Accountants' report on the unaudited financial statements to the directors of AFAR Exhibition Services Limited

As described on the balance sheet you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2001 set out on pages 3 to 9 and you consider that the company is exempt from an audit. In accordance with your instructions we have compiled these unaudited financial statements, in order to assist you to fulfil your statutory responsibilities, from the accounting records and information supplied to us.

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Payne & Co

Duke House Duke Street Skipton North Yorkshire BD23 2HQ

Date: 10 April 2002

Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 August 2001

Continuing operations

		2001	2000
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	2	595,799	616,979
Cost of sales		(537,899)	(532,325)
Gross profit		57,900	84,654
Administrative expenses		(47,536)	(42,949)
Operating profit	3	10,364	41,705
Other interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges	4	3,199 (1,418)	2,741 (2,693)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation Tax on profit on ordinary activities	6	12,145 (1,484)	41,753 (8,963)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		10,661	32,790
Dividends		(3,500)	(5,000)
Retained profit for the year		7,161	27,790
Retained profit brought forward		72,583	44,793
Retained profit carried forward		79,744	72,583

Balance sheet as at 31 August 2001

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	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		38,986		33,470
Current assets					
Debtors	8	89,068		33,076	
Cash at bank and in hand		55,247		93,876	
		144,315		126,952	
Creditors: amounts falling					
due within one year	9	(102,557)		(86,839)	
Net current assets		~	41,758		40,113
Net assets			80,744		73,583
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	11		1,000		1,000
Profit and loss account			79,744		72,583
Equity shareholders' funds	12		80,744		73,583
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The directors' statements required by Section 249B(4) are shown on the following page which forms part of this Balance Sheet.

Balance sheet (continued)

Directors' statements required by Section 249B(4) for the year ended 31 August 2001

In approving these financial statements as directors of the company we hereby confirm:

- (a) that for the year stated above the company was entitled to the exemption conferred by Section 249A(1) of the Companies Act 1985;
- (b) that no notice has been deposited at the registered office of the company pursuant to Section 249B(2) requesting that an audit be conducted for the year ended 31 August 2001 and
- (c) that we acknowledge our responsibilities for:
- (1) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 221, and
- (2) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of Section 226 and which otherwise comply with the provisions of the Companies Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 10 April 2002 and signed on its behalf by

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J S Phelan Director

The notes on pages 6 to 9 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2001

1. Accounting policies

1.1. Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS1 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement because it is a small company.

1.2. Turnover

Turnover represents the total invoice value, excluding value added tax, of sales made during the year.

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

Fixtures, fittings

and equipment

- 10% reducing balance

Motor vehicles -

25% reducing balance

1.4. Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible assets and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce constant periodic rates of charge on the net obligations outstanding in each period.

1.5. Pensions

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

1.6. 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.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2001

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3.	Operating profit	2001	2000
		£	£
	Operating profit is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets	11,441	9,590
	Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	2,826	604
4.	Interest payable and similar charges	2001	2000
		£	£
	Included in this category is the following:		
	On bank loans and overdrafts	20	10
	Hire purchase interest	1,398	2,683
		1,418	2,693

5. Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The scheme and its assets are held by independent managers. The pension charge represents contributions due from the company and amounted to £1,592 (2000 - £1,553).

6.	Taxation	2001	2000
	UK current year taxation	ž.	.
	UK corporation tax at 20.00% (2000 - 20.00%)	1,484	8,963

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2001

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			Fixtures,		
7.	Tangible fixed assets	Plant and	fittings and	Motor	
		machinery	equipment	vehicles	Total
		£	£	£	£
	Cost				
	At 1 September 2000	27,835	11,195	84,079	123,109
	Additions	4,428	3 730	24,950	30,108
	Disposals		-	(53,740)	(53,740)
	At 31 August 2001	32,263	11,925	55,289	99,477
	Depreciation			<u></u>	
	At 1 September 2000	25,692	4,148	59,799	89,639
	On disposals			(40,589)	(40,589)
	Charge for the year	1,643	778	9,020	11,441
	At 31 August 2001	27,335	4,926	28,230	60,491
	Net book values	****			·
	At 31 August 2001	4,928	6,999	27,059	38,986
	At 31 August 2000	2,143	7,047	24,280	33,470

8.	Debtors	2001 £	2000 £
	Trade debtors	79,133	30,183
	Other debtors	2,250	5
	Prepayments and accrued income	7,685	2,888
		89,068	33,076

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2001

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9.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2001 £	2000 ₤
	Trade creditors	1,803	1,346
	Corporation tax	1,022	8,979
	Other taxes and social security costs	34,198	22,744
	Other creditors	4,943	2,369
	Accruals and deferred income	60,591	51,401
		102,557	86,839

10. Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is analysed over the following timing differences:

		Not provided		Provided	
		2001	2000	2001	2000
		£	£	£	£
	Accelerated capital allowances	1,200	1,200	-	-
11.	Share capital			2001	2000
	Authorised equity			£	£
	1,000 Ordinary shares of 1 each			1,000	1,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid equity				
	1,000 Ordinary shares of 1 each			1,000	1,000
12.	Reconciliation of movements in shareholde	ers' funds		2001	2000
		AND EMERICAN		£	£
	Profit for the year			10,661	32,790
	Dividends			(3,500)	(5,000)
				7,161	27,790
	Opening shareholders' funds			73,583	45,793
				80,744	73,583