EAST DORSET TRADING LIMITED

ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST DECEMBER 1996



General Information

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Secretary

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East Dorset Trading Limited

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East Dorset Trading Limited

Accountants Report to the Directors

Abbreviated Accounts : Accountants Report

The following reproduces the text of the Accountants Report prepared for the purposes of section 249A(2) Companies Act 1985 in respect of the company's annual accounts, from which the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 2 to 4 have been prepared.

Accountants Report to the Shareholders on the Unaudited Accounts of East Dorset Trading Limited

We report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 1996 set out on pages 3 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of Directors and Reporting Accountants

As described on page 1 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and they consider that the company is exempt from an audit. It is our responsibility to carry out procedures designed to enable us to report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

Our work was conducted in accordance with the Statement of Standards for Reporting Accountants, and so our procedures consisted of comparing the accounts with the accounting records kept by the company, and making such limited enquiries of the officers of the company as we considered necessary for the purpose of this report. These procedures provide only the assurance expressed in our opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion:

- (a) the accounts are in agreement with the accounting records kept by the company under section 221 of the Companies Act 1985;
- (b) having regard only to and on the basis of, the information contained in those accounting records:
 - (i) the accounts have been drawn up in a manner consistent with the accounting requirements specified in section 249C(6) of the Act; and
 - (ii) the company satisfied the conditions for exemption from an audit of the accounts for the year specified in section 249A(4) of the Act and did not at any time within that year fall within any of the categories of companies not entitled to the exemption specified in section 249B(1).

HESCROFF BEVAN
Chartered Accountants
Reporting Accountants
Sir Peter Thompson House
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24th October 1997

Abbreviated Balance Sheet at 31st December 1996

| | | 1996 | | 1995 | |
|---|------|---------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Note | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Fixed Assets | | | | | |
| Intangible Assets | 2 | | 3828 | | 7657 |
| Tangible Assets | 3 | | 5493 | | 6983 |
| | | | 9321 | | 14640 |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Stocks | | - | | 2049 | |
| Debtors | | 42941 | | 34905 3094 | |
| Cash at Bank and in Hand | | 3 | | 3084 | |
| | | 42944 | | 40048 | |
| Creditors: amounts falling | | | | | |
| due within one year | | (51407) | | (20939) | |
| Net Current (Liabilities)/Assets | | | (8463) | | 19109 |
| | | | 858 | | 33749 |
| Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year | | | (60000) | | (129000) |
| | | | | | |
| Net Liabilities | | | £(59142) | | £(95251) |
| | | | ===== | | ===== |
| Capital and Reserves | | | | | |
| Share Capital | 4 | | 80000 | | 100 |
| Share Premium Account | | | 4100 (143242) | | - (95351) |
| Profit and Loss Account | | | (143242) | | (90001) |
| Equity Shareholders Funds | | | £(59142) | | £(95251) |
| | | | ===== | | ===== |

For the financial year ended 31st December 1996, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 249A(2) Companies Act 1985; and no notice has been deposited under section 249B(2). The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221 and preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 31st December 1996 and of its loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of section 226 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 1985, so far as applicable to the company.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act relating to small companies.

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Director

Approved by the Board of Directors: 24th October 1997

Notes on page 3 and 4 form part of these abbreviated accounts.

East Dorset Trading Limited

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1996

1 Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost accounting rules and accounting principles set out in the Companies Act 1985.

Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of goods, excluding VAT.

Intangible Fixed Assets and Amortisation

Goodwill and intellectual property rights are written off evenly over their estimated useful economic life of five years.

Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its expected useful life:

Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment 15% p.a. (reducing balance basis)
Computer Equipment 33.33% p.a. (straight line basis)

Stock

Stock is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In the case of goods for resale cost of stock is determined by using the purchase price, less trade discounts, calculated on the FIFO method. Net realisable value means estimated selling price (less trade discounts) less all costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

Foreign Currency

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the dates of these transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities are denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated at the rates ruling at that date. These transition differences are dealt with in the profit and loss account.

2 Intangible Fixed Assets

| £ |
|---|
| |
| Cost |
| At 1st January 1996 and At 31st December 1996 24362 |
| Amortisation |
| At 1st January 1996 16705 |
| Charge for the year 3829 |
| At 31st December 1996 20534 |
| |
| Net Book Value |
| At 31st December 1996 £3828 |
| ====================================== |
| At 31st December 1995 £7657 |

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1996

| 3 | Tangible Fixed Assets | Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment | Computer Equipment | Total |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| | 04 | £ | £ | £ |
| | Cost | | | |
| | At 1st January 1996 Additions | 5757 764 | 4681 - | 10438 764 |
| | At 31st December 1996 | 6521 | 4681 | 11202 |
| | Depreciation | | | |
| | At 1st January 1996 Charge for the year | 1895 694 | 1560 1560 | 3455 2254 |
| | At 31st December 1996 | 2589 | 3120 | 5709 |
| | Net Book Value | | | |
| | At 31st December 1996 | £3932 ==== | £1561 ===== | £5493 ===== |
| | At 31st December 1995 | £3862 ==== | £3121 ===== | £6983 ===== |
| 4 | Share Capital | | | |
| | | | 1996 | 1995 |
| | | | £ | £ |
| | Authorised - 200000 ordinary shares of £1 each | | £200000 | £50000 ===== |
| | Allotted, called up and fully paid - 80000 ordinary shares of | £1 each | £80000 ===== | £100 ==== |