REGISTERED NUMBER: 02405454

England and Wales

G K R LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
31ST AUGUST 1996



DIRECTORS

G Ratcliffe - Chairman

K J Ratcliffe

SECRETARY

K J Ratcliffe

REGISTERED OFFICE

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their annual report with the accounts of the company for the year ended 31st August 1996.

Principal Activity

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was the running of a chemists shop.

Directors

The directors in office in the year and their beneficial interests in the company's issued share capital were as follows:

	31.8.96	1.9.95
G Ratcliffe	51	51
K J Ratcliffe	51	51
	102	102

The directors have no interest in the shares of any other group company, including rights to subscribe for shares.

In accordance with the Articles of Association, K Ratcliffe retired by rotation and offers herself for re-election.

Directors' Responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those accounts, the directors are required to:

- * select suitable accounting policies then apply them consistently;
- * make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- * follow applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- * prepare the accounts 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 wich disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts 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.

Political and Charitable Constructions

During the year the company made no political or charitable contributions.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

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Auditors

The Auditors, Latham & Co., are deemed to be re-appointed in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 1985.

In preparing the above report, the directors have taken advantage of special exemptions applicable to small companies.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors

G RATCLIFFE

Director

K J RATCLIFFE`

Secretary

5th February 1997

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF

G K R LIMITED

We have audited the accounts on pages 4 to 11 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention (as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets) and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

As described on page 1, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts 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. An audit includes examination on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts. It also included an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company'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 accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularities or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 31st August 1996 its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.

Latham & Co
2a Erdington Road
Aldridge

WALSALL

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

For the year ended 31st August 1996

	Notes	1996	1995
TURNOVER	2	356,733	437,707
Cost of Sales		255,320	313,412
GROSS PROFIT		101,413	124,295
Administrative Expenses		64,097	92,808
OPERATING PROFIT Profit on Sale of Shop		37,316 10,152	31,487
PROFIT on Ordinary Activities before Taxation		47,468	31,487
TAXATION		8,863	7,758
PROFIT for the Financial Year after Taxation		38,605	23,729
DIVIDENDS		20,000	16,000
RETAINED Profit for the Financial Year		18,605	7,729
RETAINED PROFIT at 1.9.95		22,749	15,020
RETAINED PROFIT at 31.8.96		41,354	22,749

Continuing Operations

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years. Shop at Wheelwright Road, Erdington, Birmingham Sold in the year.

BALANCE SHEET

as at 31st August 1996

	lotes	1996	1995
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	4	40,140	102,965
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	5	18,016	38,444
Debtors	6	37,398	61,200
Cash in Hand		372	369
0401. 11. 11.		55,786	100,013
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	7	46,941	115,858
NET CURRENT ASSETS		8,845	(15,845)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		48,985	87,120
	r 8	7,529	64,269
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	. 0	41,456	22,851
		<u></u>	
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up Share Capital	9	102	102
Profit and Loss Account	10	41,354	22,749
		41,456 ————	22,851

The directors have taken advantage of special exemptions conferred by Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies in prepartion of the accounts and have done so on the grounds that, in their opinion, the company is entitled to those exemptions.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors

G RATCLIFFE

K J RATCLIFFE

Director Secretary

5th February 1997

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST AUGUST 1996

ACCOUNTING POLICIES 1.

Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets.

Cash Flow

The accounts do not include a cash flow statement because the company, as a small reporting enitity, is exempt from the requirement to prepare such a statement under Financial Reporting Standard 1 'Cash Flow Statements'.

Turnover

Turnover represents net sales excluding VAT.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided, after taking account of any grants receivable, at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Fixtures and Fittings	15%	Reducing	Balance
Motor Vehicles	25%	"	11

Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Cost includes all direct expenditure and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

TURNOVER 2.

Turnover, included no direct exports (1995 NIL).

OPERATING PROFIT 3.

The operating profit is stated after charging:

	1996 £	1995 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets Auditors' Remuneration	(1,700) 1,795	3,070 1,995
Directors' Emoluments for service as directors	4,984	5,389

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST AUGUST 1996

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4	a.	TANGIBLE ASSETS Cost	Goodwill	Freehold Property	Fixtures & Fittings	Motor Vehicles
		At 1.9.95	57,500	31,025	23,642	18,688
		Additions	_	-		21,900
		Disposals	40,000	31,025	10,000	18,688
		At 31.8.96	17,500		13,642	21,900
	b.	Accumulated Deprecia	<u>tion</u>			
		At 1.9.95		-	12,527	15,363
		Charge for the year	-	-	1,100	5,475
		Disposals			6,200	15,363
		At 31.8.96				5,475
	c.	Net Book Values At 31.8.96	17,500		6,215	16,425
5.	STO	OCKS			1996 £	1995 £
		Stocks Payments on Account	į		18,016	38,444
6.	DE	BTORS			1996 £	1995 £
		Trade Debtors Others			$ \begin{array}{r} 35,452 \\ 1,946 \\ \hline 37,398 \end{array} $	57,830 3,370 61,200
7.	CR	EDITORS: Amounts fall	ing due within	one year	1996	1995
		Bank Loans and over Trade Creditors Other Creditors	rdrafts (secured	i)	£ 18,980 16,968 10,993 46,941	£ 69,508 36,371 9,979 115,858

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST AUGUST 1996

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8.	CREDITORS :	Amounts	falling	due	after
		more	than o	ne ye	ear

	more than one year	1996 £	1995 £
	Directors Loan Account	7,529	64,269
9.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL	1996 £	1995 £
	Authorised 500,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 ea	500,000	500,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 102 Ordinary Shares of £1 ea	102	102
10.	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS ON SHAREHOLDERS	FUNDS	
	Profit for the financial year after taxation	£ 38,605	£ 23,729
	Dividends	20,000	$\frac{16,000}{7,729}$
	Other recognised gains relating to the year New share capital subscribed	- -	- -
	Opening shareholders' funds at 1.9.95	18,605 22,749	7,729 15,020
	Closing shareholders' funds at 31.8.96	41,354	22,749

11. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There are no contingent liabilities not provided for to the knowledge of the Directors.

12. COMMITMENTS

There were no capital commitments at 31.8.96 (1995 NIL).

BALANCE SHEET

as at 31st August 1996

1995					1996
102		SHARE CAPITAL			102
22,749		RESERVES			41,354
22,851		TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS		£	41,456
		REPRESENTED BY:			
		FIXED ASSETS			
31,025		Freehold Property			-
11,115		Fixtures & Fittings			6,215
3,325		Motor Vehicles			16,425
57,500		Goodwill			17,500
102,965					40,140
·		CURRENT ASSETS			
	38,444	Stock	18,016		
	61,200	Trade Debtors & Prepayments	37,398		
	369	Cash in Hand	372		
100,103					55,786
202,978					95,926
,		LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
	39,036	Creditors & Accrued Charges	19,541		
	7,314	Taxation	8,420		
	69,508	Bank Overdraft	18,980		
	64,269	Directors Loan Accounts	7,529		
180,127					54,470
22,851				£	41,456

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31st August 1996

1995				1996
		Profit for the year before charging the		
54,963		following:		50,752
	3,070	Depreciation of Fixed Assets	(1,700)	
	1,995	Auditor's Remuneration	1,795	
	312	Interest on Bank Overdrafts	10	
	7,766	Interest on Loans	3,442	
	5,389	Director's Emoluments	4,984	
	4,944	Pension Fund	4,905	
23,476	<u></u>			13,436
31,487				37,316
- - ,		Add Profit on sale of shop		10,152
31,487				47,468
7,758		<u>Deduct</u> Taxation		8,863
23,729				38,605
		Add Unappropriated Profits		
15,020		brought forward at 1st September 1995		22,749
38,749				61,354
16,000		Less Dividend Paid		20,000
22,749		Unappropriated Profits carried forward		£ 41,354

TRADING ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31st August 1996

1995	%			1996	%
437,707	100.0	Sales		356,733	100.0
313,412	71.6	Less Purchases		255,320	71.6
124,295	28.4	Gross Trading Profit		101,413	28.4
		Less			
20,365	4.7	Non-Productive Wages	14,602		4.1
5,947	1.4	Rent, Rates & Insurance	5,750		1.6
1,248	0.3	Lighting & Fuel	752		0.2
1,772	0.4	Repairs & Maintenance	829		0.2
3,011	0.7	Motor & Travelling Expenses	3,836		1.1
2,878	0.7	Printing, Stationery & Advertising	2,570		0.7
2,128	0.5	Sundry Expenses	3,905		1.1
9,793	2.2	Bank & Finance Charges	4,965		1.4
982	0.2	Telephone	662		0.2
3,070	0.7	Depreciation of Fixed Assets	(1,700)		(0.5)
1,995	0.5	Auditors' Remuneration	1,795		0.5
5,389	1.2	Director's Remuneration	4,984		1.4
4,944	1.1	Pension Fund	4,905		1.4
29,286	6.7	Locum Fees	16,242		4.7
92,808	21.3			64,097	18.0
31,487	7.1	Net Profit before Taxation		£ 37,316	10.4