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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUNE PUBLICATIONS LIMITED

for the

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1995

Company Registration No. 318001

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## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1995

#### Directors

The Directors of the Company during the financial year were:-

P	Hain	K	Davey	J	Corstan
C	Short	Α	Minto	G	Ford
R	Caborn	J	Healey	В	Hamilton
С	Rees	Α	Parish	D	Norman
s	Marsh	М	Prosser	A	Simpson
P	Woolas	М	Seddon		
A	Eagle	М	Foot		

## Review of Business

The principal activity of the Company is that of newspaper publishing and there has been no significant change in this activity during the year.

The Directors submit the financial statements for the year to 31st December 1995 and report a profit for the year of £2,755.

#### Directors' Interest

Shareholdings held by the Directors are as follows:

M Foot 60 Ordinary Shares S Marsh 1 Ordinary Share

#### Auditors

The auditors, Appleby & Wood are willing to continue in office and resolutions concerning their appointment and remuneration will be submitted to the Annual General Meeting.

signed on Behalf

Chairman Director

Secretary

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

# YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1995

	Notes	1995		1994	
		£	£	£	£
Turnover Cost of Sales	2		185,592 ( 88,374)		186,546 ( 92,333)
Gross Profit			97,218		94,213
Distribution Expenses Administration Expenses		22,589		22,013 95,213	
			(114,236)		(117,226)
Other Operating Income			( 17,018) 18,929		( 23,013) 29,386
Operating Profit	3		1,911		6,373
Income from Fixed Assets Investment Other Interest Receivable	4	461 664		461 303	
			1,125		764
Retained Profit for the year before tax Corporation Tax	11		3,036		7,137
Losses brought forward			2,755		6,946

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 1995

	Notes	1995 £ £		1994 £	£	
Fixed Assets		<del>-</del>	_	-	<del>.</del>	
Tangible Assets Investments	5 (a) 5 (b)		674 3,919		559 3,919	
			4,593		4,478	
Current Assets						
Stock Debtors Cash at Bank and in Hand	6	535 14,395 31,483		326 20,765 9,591		
		46,413		30,682		
Creditors - Amounts falling due within one year	7	30,232		25,141		
Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)			16,181		5,541	
		•	20,774		10,019	
Creditors - Amounts falling due after more than one year	8		(10,953)		( 2,953)	
			9,821		7,066	
Capital and Reserves						
Called Up Share Capital	9		882 		882	
Reserves Profit and Loss Account-Accumulated Profit	10 10		8,939		12,813 ( 6,629)	
Chairman	·		9,821		7,066	

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Director

Date Approved

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1995

#### 1. Accounting Policies

- a) Depreciation has been provided on office equipment on the straight line basis at 33.3% per annum.
- b) Corporation Tax has been provided at the rate of 25% on the retained profit.
- c) Stock of books has been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.
- d) The cost of assets held under finance lease is included under tangible assets and depreciation is provided in accordance with the company's depreciation policy. The interest cost is charged over the term of the lease under the sum of digits method and the capital element of future lease payment is included under obligations under finance lease.

1995

1994

#### 2. Turnover

Turnover is in respect of newspaper sales and advertising.

after charging:

З.	Ope	erat	ing	Pro	Eit,	/Loss
	a)	The	pro	ofit	is	stated

W. 66 a	£	£	£	£
Staff Costs - Salaries	75,763		66,537	
Social Security Costs	24,466		22,501	
		100,229		89,038
Auditors' Remuneration		1,850		1,780
Finance Charge		30		124
b) The average number of employees during	g the year was 11	•		
4. Income from Fixed Assets Investment Quoted				
Unquoted		461		 461
		461 		461 
5a. Fixed Assets		7 440		
Cost b/fwd Additions		7,440 1,012		7,440 
		8,452 		7,440 
Depreciation b/fwd		6,881		5,737
Charge for the year		897 		1,144
		7,778		6,881
Net book value		674		559 
b) Investment				
Quoted Unquoted		 3,919		 2 010
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		3,919		3,919

The Market Value of the investments at 31st December 1995 was £3,919. The Company's bank holds legal charges on the investments.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1995

Trade Debtors 13,766 Other Debtors and Prepayments 629	19,902 863  20,765
14,395	
Trade Debtors are stated after making provision for doubtful debts in respect circulations and advertising.	of
7. Creditors - Amounts falling due within one year Bank Overdraft 458	2,384
Trade Creditors 13,852	8,140
Taxation and Social Security Costs 5,881	4,038
Other Creditors 1,875	1,785
Deferred Income 8,000	8,000
Corporation Tax 166	191
Obligations under finance lease	603
30,232	25,141
8. Creditors - Amounts falling due after more than one year	2 052
Various Loans 2,053	2,053 900
Deed of Covenant 900 Loan from M. Foot 8,000	<del></del>
Loan from M. Foot 8,000	
10,953	2,953
The loans are interest free and repayable on demand.	
9. Share Capital Authorised:	
Ordinary Shares of £1 each 1,000	1,000
Issued and Fully Paid: Ordinary Shares of £1 each 882	882
10. Reserves  Accumulated Capital Accumulated Reserve Reserve Reserve £ £ £	Capital Reserve £
Balance b/forward (6,629) 12,813 (13,575) Transfer to Accumulated	12,813
Reserve 12,813 (12,813) Profit for the Year 2,755 6,946	
8,939	(12,813)
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11. Corporation Tax Year Ended 31.12.95 281	191
12. Lease Commitment:	4 6 5 5
Operating Leases less than 1 year 1,003	4,011
Operating Leases 2 to 5 years  NIL	1,003

# PRODUCTION AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

## YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1995

	19:	1995		94
	£	£	£	£
Income		•		
Sales		57,740		66,401
Subscriptions		82,547		71,898
Advertising Revenue		45,305		48,247
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		185,592		186,546
Less Expenditure				
Newsprint, Printing, Photographs etc	48,454		49,833	
Despatch	22,589		22,013	
Editorial Expenses	44,520		42,500	
•				
		(110,963)		(114,346)
Gross Profit		74,629		72,200
Less Overheads				
Salaries and National Insurance	55,709	<u>.</u>	47,175	
Circulation and Sales Promotion	1,262		8,644	
Office Rent, Rates, Telephone and Insurance	17,727		25,819	
Rallies and Meetings	870		2,864	
Office Stationery	4,868		4,034	
Travelling and Sundry Expenses	1,884		1,708	
Audit and Accountancy Fees	1,850		1,780	
Bank Charges	1,874		1,921	
Depreciation	897		1,144	
Finance Charge	30		124	
Sales Debtors Written Off	76 			
		(91,647)		( 95,213)
Trading Loss for the year		( 17,018)		( 23,013)
Less Other Income				•
Union Fund	7,450		8,550	
Royalties and Others	305		386	
Interest Received	1,125		764	
Donations	11,059		20,190	
Corporation Tax for current year	( 281)		( 191)	
Corporation tax overprovision	115		260	
	***************************************	19,773	*** *** *** *** ***	29,959
Net Profit for the year		2,755		6,946

## AUDITORS' REPORT

#### To the Members of Tribune Publications Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 1 to 5 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 3.

#### Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit of the Company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue.

The Directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company. 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.

As described above the Directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those financial 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. 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 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 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 financial statements are free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

#### Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31st December 1995 and of its profit for the year then ended and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

6th Septender 1996

APPLEBY & WOOD Registered Auditors