Registered No.: 456205

# GUINNESS ENTERPRISES LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 DECEMBER 1995



## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

## **DIRECTORS**

B F Baldock

J R Harding

G W King

P J Lederer

#### **SECRETARY**

B K Bredin

#### REGISTERED OFFICE

39 Portman Square

London

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The Directors submit their report and the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 1995.

#### RESULTS

The profit for the year amounted to £60,000 (1994 - £568,000) which, after dividends of £703,000, resulted in a transfer from reserves of £643,000 (1994 - £4,432,000).

## DIVIDENDS

An interim ordinary dividend of £703,000 was paid during the year (1994 - £5,000,000). The Directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend.

## REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The Company did not trade during the year.

#### **DIRECTORS**

The Directors of the Company who held office during the year are shown above.

## **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS**

No Director has a beneficial interest in the shares or debentures of the Company, any subsidiary undertaking or any subsidiary of the parent undertaking. The Directors' interests in the Ordinary shares of the Company's parent undertaking, Guinness PLC, were as follows:

			AtlJ	anuary 1995
	At 31 De	ecember 1995	or at date of	appointment
	Options over		Options over	
	Ordinary shares	Ordinary shares	Ordinary shares	Ordinary shares
B F Baldock	57,850	411,951	56,083	411,951
J R Harding	5,398	46,985	4,372	38,710
G W King	7,232	61,443	8,101	47,016
P J Lederer	10,066	128,366	10,066	119,101

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

## **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS** (continued)

During the year, the following movements in options over the Ordinary shares of Guinness PLC took place:

		Options granted during 1995 or since date of appointment		Options exercised during 1995 or since date of appointment	
	Number	Price £	Number	Price £	
B F Baldock J R Harding	- 8,275	4.575	-	- -	
G W King P J Lederer	14,427 9,265	4.575 4.575	-	-	

These options were granted/exercised under the terms of the Executive Share Option Scheme.

The options outstanding at 31 December 1995 have been granted under Group employee share participation schemes (including the Executive Share Option Scheme and the Savings Related Share Option Scheme) and are exercisable at varying dates between 1996 and 2005 at varying prices between 127p and 548.5p.

No contract or arrangement entered into by the Company in which any Director is interested has existed during the year.

## STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Directors are required by the Companies Act 1985 to prepare financial statements for each financial year 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 the profit or loss of the Company for the financial year.

The Directors consider that in preparing the financial statements on pages 4 to 7, the Company has used appropriate accounting policies, consistently applied and supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates and that all accounting standards which they consider to be applicable have been followed. The Directors are also responsible for preparing financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The Directors have responsibility for ensuring that the Company keeps accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985.

The Directors have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

## DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' LIABILITY INSURANCE

The parent company, Guinness PLC, purchases liability insurance covering the Directors and officers of the Company and its subsidiaries.

#### **AUDITORS**

An Elective Resolution was previously passed in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 1985 to dispense with the annual appointment of auditors. Price Waterhouse will continue in office until this election is revoked.

By Order of the Board

B K Bredin Secretary

24 June 1996

# AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GUINNESS ENTERPRISES LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 7 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

# RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 2 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 these 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 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 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 misstatement, 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 31. December 1995 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Price Waterhouse Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Southwark Towers 32 London Bridge Street London SE1 9SY

24 June1996

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1995

	Notes	Continuing Operations 1995 £'000	Continuing Operations 1994 £'000
Operating income	3	62	46
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		62	46
Taxation	4	(2)	522
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		60	568
Dividend on Ordinary shares		(703)	(5,000)
RETAINED LOSS FOR THE YEAR	8	(643)	(4,432)

## STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

There were no recognised gains or losses other than those reflected in the above profit and loss account.

## NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES

There were no material differences between the reported profit for 1995 and 1994 and the profit for those years on an historical cost basis.

# RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

For the year ended 31 December 1995	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
Profit for the year attributable to shareholders Dividends	60 (703)	568 (5,000)
Net decrease in shareholders' funds	(643)	(4,432)
Shareholders' funds at start of year	713	5,145
Shareholders' funds at end of year	70	713
The notes on pages 6 and 7 form part of these accounts.		

# **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1995**

	Notes	1995 <b>£'00</b> 0	1994 £'000
CURRENT ASSETS  Debtors: amounts recoverable within one year	5	11,046	11,046
CREDITORS (amounts payable within one year)	6	(10,976)	(10,333)
TOTAL NET ASSETS		70	713
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	7	10	10
Profit and loss account	8	60	703
		70	713

The notes on pages 6 and 7 form part of these accounts.

G W King Director

Approved by the Board on 24 June 1996

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

## 2. DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

None of the Directors received any emoluments in respect of their services to the Company (1994 - £nil). There are no employees of the company.

3.	OPERATING INCOME		
		1995	1994
		£'000	£'000
	Write back of provisions	62	-
	Other operating income	-	46
		62	46
4.	TAXATION		
		1995	1994
		£'000	£'000
	UK corporation tax on profit for the year at 33% (1994 - 33%)	21	_
	(Over)/under provision in prior years	(19)	(522)
			(522)
5.	DEBTORS	1995	1994
		£'000	£'000
	Amount recoverable within one year:		
	Due from fellow subsidiary undertakings	11,046	11,046
6.	CREDITORS (amounts payable within one year)	1995	1994
		£'000	£'000
	Other creditors	21	60
	Amounts owed to parent undertaking	10,955	10,273
		10,976	10,333
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

7.	SHARE CAPITAL	1995	1994
		£'000	£'000
	Authorised, issued and fully paid:		
	10,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	10	10
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8.	RESERVES		<b>Profit and loss</b>
			account
			£'000
	At 1 January 1995		703
	Retained loss for the year		(643)
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	At 31 December 1995		60
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## 9. PARENT UNDERTAKING

The immediate and ultimate parent undertaking is Guinness PLC, which is registered in England.

The Company is exempt from the obligation to prepare and deliver group accounts. Financial information is presented about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

The ultimate parent undertaking is the only company in the Group preparing consolidated accounts and copies can be obtained from The Company Secretary, 39 Portman Square, London W1H 0EE.