Registration Number: 766801

W. HUNT AND SONS (IMPORTED FRUITS) LIMITED

Companies House

Directors' Report and Accounts For the year ended 31st July 1998



WHITING & PARTNERS CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS THE OLD SCHOOL HOUSE DARTFORD ROAD MARCH CAMBS PE15 8AE

J. J. W. Hunt Esq. R. T. Hunt Esq. Directors:

Secretary: Mrs. E. Hunt, Gravel House,

Chain Bridge,

March, Cambs.

Registered Office: Gravel House,

Chain Bridge,

March, Cambs.

Whiting & Partners, Chartered Accountants, Accountants:

The Old School House,

Dartford Road,

March, Cambs. PE15 8AE

Bankers: Lloyds Bank Plc,

3 North Brink,

Wisbech, Cambs.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors submit their Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st July 1998.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The Company's principal activity during the year was the same as in previous years, namely wholesale fruit and vegetable merchanting.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The Directors at 31st July 1998 and their interests in the share capital of the Company were as follows:-

	31st July 1998	31st July 1997
	Ordinary Shares	Ordinary Shares
J. J. W. Hunt Esq	2,500	2,500
R. T. Hunt Esq	2,500	2,500

YEAR 2000 ISSUES

The Directors have been considering the effect of Year 2000 issues on the company and are taking steps to address them. It is not possible to precisely identify the impact or quantify the costs of compliance at this point.

SMALL COMPANY RULES

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 1999).

This Report was approved by the Board of Directors on 38-7-99 and signed on its behalf by:

J. J. W. Hunt

Directors

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 31st July 1998

	1998 £	1997 £
TURNOVER (Note 2)	179,378	189,732
Cost of Sales	138,321	<u>155,197</u>
GROSS PROFIT	41,057	34,535
Distribution costs Administration expenses	(22,365) (<u>17,070</u>)	(22,031) (<u>18,707</u>)
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS) (Note 3)	1,622	(6,203)
Interest payable	<u>(786</u>)	(1,520)
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	836	(7,723)
Tax on Profit/(Loss) on ordinary activities (Note 4)		
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION	836	(7,723)
		
PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	836	(7,723)
Retained Loss brought forward	(8,294)	<u>(571</u>)
Retained Loss carried forward	(7,458)	(8,294)

BALANCE SHEET As at 31st July 1998

	£	1998 £	£	1997 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets: (Note 5) Agricultural Buildings Plant and Machinery	3,366 7,213	10,579	3,740 <u>8,568</u>	12,308
CURRENT ASSETS Stocks Debtors (Note 6) Cash at bank and in hand	1,300 19,364 100 20,764		1,300 18,874 1,314 21,488	
<pre>CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year (Note 7)</pre>	(33,801)		(<u>37,090</u>)	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(<u>13,037</u>)		(<u>15,602</u>)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		(2,458)		(3,294)
<u>PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES</u> Deferred taxation (Note 8)				
		(2,458)		(3,294)
<u>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</u> Called up share capital (Note 9) Profit and Loss Account		5,000 (<u>7,458</u>)		5,000 (<u>8,294</u>)
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		(2,458)		(3,294)

The Directors consider that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of section 249A(1) of the Companies Act 1985. Shareholders holding 10% or more of the company's share capital have not issued a notice requiring an audit under section 249(B) of the Companies Act 1985. The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221 of the Companies Act 1985, and for preparing accounts 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 financial year in accordance with the requirements of section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to the accounts so far as applicable to the Company.

The financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 1999) were approved by the Board on 28-7-99 and signed on its behalf by:-

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R. T. Hunt

The notes on pages 5 and 6 form part of these Accounts

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS As at 31st July 1998

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

The Accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention.

Turnover represents the invoiced amount of goods sold and services supplied by the Company net of value added tax and trade discounts.

<u>Depreciation</u>

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:-

Agricultural Buildings and Equipment Plant and Machinery Motor Vehicles

10% per annum 15% to 22 50% per annum 20% per annum 25% per annum

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Computer Equipment <u>Stocks</u>

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost or net realisable value a basis consistent with previous years as follows:-

Cost incurred in bringing each product to its present location and condition Produce for resale - purchase cost on a first-in, first-out basis

Consumables - purchase cost on a first in, first-out basis Growing crops and cultivations - cost of direct materials and labour plus attributable overheads based on normal level of activity

Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less further costs expected to be incurred to disposal

<u>Deferred Taxation</u>

Deferred taxation is provided on differences arising from the inclusion of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements.

The Company operates a defined contributions pension scheme. Contributions to this scheme are accounted for on a cash basis.

TURNOVER 2.

In the year to 31st July 1998 none of the Company's turnover was to markets outside of the United Kingdom (1997: None).

OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS) PROFIT 3.

1990	1997
£	£
The operating profit (loss) is stated after charging:	
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets owned by the Company 1,729	2,049
Directors' Emoluments 13,330	13,240
Pension Costs	

During the year retirement benefits were accruing to two Directors (1997: 2) in respect of a money purchase pension scheme.

4 -TAX ON PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

Based on the profit/(loss) for the year: Corporation tax at 21% (1997: 24% & 21%) Deferred taxation at 21% (1997: 21%)

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5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Agricultural	Other	Total
	<u>Buildings</u>	<u>Assets</u>	
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1.8.97	<u> 19,398</u>	<u>86,918</u>	<u>106,316</u>
At 31.7.98	<u>19,398</u>	86,918	106,316
Depreciation		-	
At 1.8.97	15,658	78,350	94,008
Provided during year	<u> 374</u>	1,355	1,729
At 31.7.98	<u>16,032</u>	79,705	95,737
Net book value 31.7.98	3,366	7,213	10,579
Net book value 1.8.97	3,740	8,568	12,308

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) As at 31st July 1998

6.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		1998	1997
		£	£
	Trade debtors	17,485	14,282
	Other debtors	1,879	4,592
		19,364	18,874
7.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
	Bank Overdraft	3,704	8,889
	Trade creditors	13,627	18,886
	Other taxes and social security costs	2,821	1,904
	Other Creditors	13,649	7,411
		33,801	37,090
8.	DEFERRED TAXATION		
	Defended touchion provided in the Assemble is as follows:		

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Accelerated capital allowances	4,839	5,403
Less: Taxation Losses	4,839	<u>5,403</u>
	Nil	<u>Nil</u>

There are additional taxation losses of £8,470 in excess of the Accelerated Capital Allowances which have not been carried forward in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 1999). The additional potential liability for deferred taxation not provided was £Nil (1997: £Nil).

9. SHARE CAPITAL

			Allotted,	, called
	<u>Aut</u>	horised	up and ful	lly paid
	1998	1997	1998	1997
	No.	No.	£	£
Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There are no known contingent liabilities (1997: Nil)

PENSION COMMITMENTS

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for certain of its directors. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The benefits payable under the scheme are based upon the value of the fund at the date of retirement. There is no commitment to fully fund the scheme. Premiums paid to this scheme during the year amounted to £Nil (1997: £Nil). At the Balance Sheet date unpaid contributions of ENil (1997: ENil) were due to the fund.

TRANSACTIONS WITH DIRECTORS

The Directors have an interest in a parcel of land which is occupied by the Company for the purpose of its trading activities. No rent is paid for the tenancy but the Company meets all outgoings in connection with the land.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company is under control of the Directors/Shareholders as shown on page 1. Related Party Transactions

a) Listed below are related parties with whom the Company transacted during the year ended 31st July 1998 and a description of their relationship with the Company: -

J. J. W. Hunt Esq.

Director/Shareholder

R. T. Hunt Esq.

Director/Shareholder

Amounts owed to related parties at 31st July 1998 were as follows:-

	1998	1997
	£	£
Director's Current Account J. J. W. Hunt Esq	8,241	3,560
Director's Current Account R. T. Hunt Esq	2,634	1,121
b) There were no other material related party transactions	during	the year.