Directors' Report and Financial Statements

30th April 1996

Registered Number 1600082



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Directors' Report

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the period ended 30th April 1996.

Principal Activities

The Company has not traded during the period.

Directors and Directors' Interests

The directors who held office during the period were as follows:

P.W. Huntley	appointed 6th December 1995
H.C. Etheridge	appointed 6th December 1995
A.T. Colquhoun	appointed 6th December 1995
J.G. Edis-Bates	resigned 6th December 1995
J.M. Mills	resigned 6th December 1995

The interests of H.C. Etheridge and P.W. Huntley in the ordinary shares of Matthew Clark plc are disclosed in the directors' report of the parent company.

A.T. Colquhoun has been granted options over the ordinary shares in Matthew Clark plc as follows:

Executive Share Options:

<u>Granted</u> during the			Exercise Price	Dates which	
<u>01.05.95</u>	Year	30.04.96	£	Exercisable	Expiry Date
15,780		15,780	566	1997	2004
7,364		7,364	561	1997	2004
7,000		7,000	555	1998	2005
	2,000	2,000	662	1998	2005
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	1,312	1,312	525.86	2001	2,001

None of the directors who held office at the end of the financial year had any interests in the shares of the company.

Accounting Reference Date

The accounting reference date was changed from 31st January to 30th April during the period.

Auditors

A special resolution has been passed by the company, in accordance with section 250 of the Companies Act 1985 to exempt the company from its obligations to appoint auditors under section 384 of the Companies Act 1985.

By order of the board

A.T. Colquhoun

Secretary

Whitchurch Lane, Bristol, BS14 0JZ

25th Feb 1997

Balance Sheet at 30th April 1996

	Note	1996	31 Jan 1995
		£	£
Current Assets			
Amount owed by fellow subsidiary undertakings		10,219	10,219
Creditors - amounts falling due within one year		(680)	(680)
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities		9,539	9,539
Capital and Reserves			
Called up share capital	3	12,002	12,002
Profit and Loss Account - deficit		2,463	2,463
		<u>9,539</u>	<u>9,539</u>

Throughout the year ending on the above date the company was dormant within the meaning of section 250 of the Companies Act 1985 (as amended by the Companies Act 1989).

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 25th Feb 1997 and were signed on its behalf by:

H.C. Etheridge

Director

Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

1. Accounting Policies

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

2. Profit and Loss Account

During the financial period the company did not trade and received no income and incurred no expenditure. Consequently, during the period the company made neither a profit nor a loss.

3. Share Capital

	1996	1995
	£	£
Authorised		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	50,000	50,000
2% Participating Preference shares of £1 each	$\frac{50,000}{100,000}$	$\frac{50,000}{100,000}$
	100,000	100,000
Allotted called up and fully paid		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2
2% Participating Preference shares of £1 each	12,000	<u>12,000</u>
	<u>12,002</u>	<u>12,002</u>

4. Ultimate Parent Undertaking

The company's ultimate parent undertaking is Matthew Clark plc which is registered in England and Wales.

The only group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by Matthew Clark plc. The consolidated financial statements of the Group are available to the public and may be obtained from the Company Secretary of Matthew Clark plc at Whitchurch Lane, Bristol BS14 0JZ.