Company Number: 1743884

RIDGEWOOD FARM LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1995



PANNELL KERR FORSTER
Chartered Accountants

RIDGEWOOD FARM LIMITED

COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors

Mrs B W Brook

F Brook

Secretary

S G Brook

Company Number

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Auditors

Pannell Kerr Forster

Chartered Accountants

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RIDGEWOOD FARM LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1995

The directors submit their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 1995.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company during the year was farming.

Directors

The directors at 31 August 1995 were as follows:

Mrs B W Brook

F Brook

The directors interests in the shares of the parent company are given in the accounts of that company.

Auditors

The auditors, Pannell Kerr Forster, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

Small company exemptions

Advantage has been taken in the preparation of this report of the exemptions applicable to small companies conferred by Part II of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985.

By order of the board

S G Brook Secretary

RIDGEWOOD FARM LIMITED STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

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 or loss 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;
- prepare the financial statements 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 which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements 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.



AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF RIDGEWOOD FARM LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 9 which have been prepared under 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 the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on the financial statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards. 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 affairs of the company as at 31 August 1995 and of 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.

PANNELL KERR FORSTER

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors

Derby 28 March 1996

RIDGEWOOD FARM LIMITED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1995

	Notes	1995 £	1994 £
TURNOVER Cost of sales	2	56,314 (51,444)	15,965 (19,751)
GROSS PROFIT/(LOSS)		4,870	(3,786)
Administrative expenses Other operating income		(30,428) 58,162	(36,598) 9,214
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)	3	32,604	(31,170)
Interest payable and similar items		(1,586)	(3,562)
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		31,018	(34,732)
TAXATION		17,978	-
PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		48,996	(34,732)
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All amounts relate to continuing operations.

There were no recognised gains or losses for the year other than those included in the profit and loss account.

RIDGEWOOD FARM LIMITED

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 1995

			1995		1994
	Notes		£		£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible	4		338,582		308,233
CURRENT ASSETS		•			
Stocks		19,810		56,157	
Debtors	5	91,978		68,038	
		111,788		124,195	
CREDITORS: amounts falling	due			•	
within one year	6	(659,431)		(680,779)	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIE	S		(547,643)		(556,584)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURF	RENT LIA	BILITIES	(209,061)		(248,351)
CREDITORS: amounts falling after more than one year	due		(8,938)		(12.069)
and more than one year			(0,550)		(13,968)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILIT	TIES				
AND CHARGES			-		(4,676)
NET LIABILITIES			(217,999)		(266,995)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	7		100,000		100,000
Profit and loss account	8		(317,999)		(366,995)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	9		(217,999)		(266,995)
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Advantage has been taken in the preparation of the financial statements of the exemptions conferred by Part I of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 on the grounds that the company is entitled to the exemptions mentioned in section 246 of the Act as a small company.

The financial statements were approved by the board on 28 MARCH 1996

Signed on behalf of the board of directors

Mrs B W Brook Director

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The balance sheet shows that liabilities exceed assets by £217,999 including a liability to group undertakings of £648,750. The parent company, Honormead Limited, has confirmed that it will maintain its financial support for the foreseeable future to enable the company to continue normal trading operations. The financial statements are therefore drawn up on a going concern basis.

(b) Turnover

Turnover comprises the invoiced value of goods and services supplied by the company, net of value added tax and trade discounts.

(c) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets, except for property costs, are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on a reducing balance basis at the following rates:

Plant and equipment	20 %
Motor vehicles	25 %

Property costs are not depreciated as in the opinion of the directors the farm buildings are maintained to a high standard such that residual values will not fall below original cost.

(d) Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(e) Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred tax using the liability method to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise.

2 TURNOVER

All turnover arose within the United Kingdom.

3 OPERATING PROFIT

The operating profit is stated after charging:

	1995	1994
	. €	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets:		
 owned by the company 	12,889	12,550
Audit fees	500	1,000

No director received any emoluments (1994 - £NIL).

4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Property costs	Plant and machinery £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost	~	*	d-	I.
At 1 September 1994 Additions	254,710 31,747	132,319	20,050 13,865	407,079 45,612
Disposals	-	-	(12,300)	(12,300)
At 31 August 1995	286,457	132,319	21,615	440,391
Depreciation	•			<u> </u>
At 1 September 1994	_	87,765	11,081	98,846
Charge for year	-	8,911	3,978	12,889
On disposals	-	-	(9,926)	(9,926)
At 31 August 1995	-	96,676	5,133	101,809
Net book amount				
At 31 August 1995	286,457	35,643	16,482	338,582
At 31 August 1994	254,710	44,554	8,969	308,233
DEBTORS				
			1995	1994
			£	£
Trade debtors			10,810	420
Amounts due from group un	dertakings		63,999	66,051
Other debtors			17,169	1,567
			91,978	68,038

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6 CREDITORS:

Amounts	falling	due	within	one vear
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	1995	1994
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	8,137	19,480
Trade creditors	1,327	2,156
Amounts owed to group undertakings	648,750	655,019
Net obligations under finance lease and		
hire purchase contracts	-	1,985
Other creditors	1,217	2,139
	659,431	680,779

The bank facilities are secured over the properties of the company. A composite accounting agreement exists between this and other group companies giving the bank certain rights of set off between companies. The bank overdraft is also secured by an unlimited guarantee between group companies and by specific charges over group assets including certain assets held by the company.

Finance lease and hire purchase creditors are secured on the assets concerned.

7 SHARE CAPITAL

7	SHARE CAPITAL			
		Authorised	Allotted, called up and fully paid	
	At 1 September 1994 and 31 August 1995	£	No.	£
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	100,000	100,000	100,000
8	RESERVES			
	Profit and loss account			£
	At 1 September 1994			(366,995)
	Profit/(loss) for the year			48,996
	At 31 August 1995			(317,999)
9	SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			
			1995	1994
	Shareholders' funds at 1 Santombor 1004		£	£ (222.2(2)
	Shareholders' funds at 1 September 1994 Profit/(loss) for the year		(266,995) 48,996	(232,263) (34,732)
	Shareholders' funds at 31 August 1995		(217,999)	(266,995)

10 PARENT COMPANY

The parent undertaking of the largest and smallest groups for which consolidated accounts are prepared is Honormead Limited, incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England & Wales. Consolidated accounts are available from Companies House, Cardiff, CF4 3UZ.

In the opinion of the directors this is the company's ultimate parent company.