Report and Accounts

31 March 1995



Registered No. 2378790

DIRECTORS

M Boase (Chairman)

M A Cox

F L Driver

G Drummond

J Fashanu

G A McNamee

T R Schoonmaker

SECRETARY

D K Walmsley

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report and the accounts for the year ended 31 March 1995.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

In the year to 31 March 1995, the company made a profit after tax of £600,000. This is set against the deficit brought forward of £1,538,000, leaving £938,000 to carry forward.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The principal activity of the company is that of a radio station, broadcasting on 100FM to 10 million people in and around London. The directors aim to consolidate their position in the London market and look for new opportunities as they might arise.

FIXED ASSETS

Significant changes to fixed assets are set out in Note 8 to the accounts.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors during the financial year and their interests in the share capital of the company were as follows:

		At 31 March 1995	At 31 March 1994
Martin Boase		-	-
Malcolm Cox		_	_
Fiona Driver		_	_
Gordon Drummond			_
John Fashanu		_	_
Gordon McNamee		30,000	30,000
Tim Schoonmaker		-	<u>-</u>
Terry Smith	(Resigned 22 August 1994)	_	-

Martin Boase is also a director of EMAP plc, the ultimate parent company, and his interests are disclosed in that company's accounts.

The interests of the directors, inclusive of their spouses and infant children, in the share capital of the ultimate holding company at the beginning of the year, or subsequent date of appointment, and at the end of the year were as follows:

		inary shares at 31 March 1995		Ordinary shares at 31 March 1994
	Options	Issued	Options	Issued
M A Cox G A McNamee T R Schoonmaker F L Driver G A Drummond	6,841 18,230 49,320 2,441	84 189 27,855 171 86	6,742 13,039 38,753 2,406	86 24,678 86 86

DIRECTORS' REPORT

In respect of the interest in options of the ultimate parent company, it operates a Savings Related and executive Share Option Scheme.

Since 1985, options have been granted annually in the Savings Related Scheme at prices between 81.5p and 316.3p. The normal exercise dates for these options extend to 2002.

Since 1986, options have been granted annually, with the exception of 1990, in the Executive Option Scheme at prices between 109.8p and 394.7p. The normal exercise dates for these options extend to 2004.

During the year the following transactions took place relating to directors' interests in options to subscribe for ordinary shares in the holding company:

	Options granted	Rights adjustment
M A Cox	<u>-</u>	99
T R Schoonmaker	10,000	567
G A McNamee	5,000	191
F L Driver	-	35

AUDITORS

An elective resolution pursuant to s.386 of the Companies Act 1985 has been passed whereby the company is not obliged to re-appoint auditors annually. Ernst & Young will resign as auditors and Price Waterhouse will be appointed at a forthcoming Extraordinary General Meeting.

By order of the Board

D K Walmsley

Secretary

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DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE ACCOUNTS

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts 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 accounts, 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 accounts;
- prepare the accounts 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 to enable them to ensure that the accounts 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.

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS to the members of Kiss FM Radio Limited

We have audited the accounts on pages 6 to 15, which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and on the basis of the accounting policies set out on page 9.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 4 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts 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 accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, 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 accounts 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 accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 31 March 1995 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Ernst & Young

Chartered Accountants

Registered Auditor

Cambridge

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 March 1995

		1995	1994
	Notes	£'000	£'000
TURNOVER	2	5,083	4,045
Cost of sales		(1,821)	(1,203)
GROSS PROFIT		3,262	2,842
Administration expenses		2,630	2,665
OPERATING PROFIT	3	632	177
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(8)	(33)
Interest receivable		45	5
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
BEFORE TAXATION		669	149
Taxation	7	(69)	242
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
AFTER TAXATION	16	600	391
			

A statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been presented as the company has no recognised gains or losses other than the result in either period.

BALANCE SHEET at 31 March 1995

	Notes .	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
FIXED ASSETS	0		201
Tangible assets	8	<u> </u>	391
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	9	10	24
Debtors	10	868	828
Cash at bank and in hand	11	1,289	186
		2,167	1,038
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	12	1,524	1,094
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		643	(56)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		935	335
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	15	740	740
Share premium account	16	1,133	1,133
Profit and loss account	16	(938)	(1,538)
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS		935	335

Fiona Driver

Directors

Gordon McNamee

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the year ended 31 March 1995

	Notes	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
		2 000	2 000
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	3b	1,202	203
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE			
Interest received		45	5
Interest paid		(5)	(24)
Interest element of finance lease rental payments		(3)	(9)
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS	,		
AND SERVICING OF FINANCE		37	(28)
TAXATION			
Corporation tax payment/repayment		(26)	64
TAX (PAID)/RECEIVED		(26)	64
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(109)	(57)
Receipts from sales of tangible fixed assets		17	10
NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW FROM			
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(92)	(47)
NET CASH INFLOW BEFORE FINANCING		1,121	192
Repayments of capital element of finance lease rentals		12	61
NET CASH INFLOW FROM FINANCING		12	61
INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	11	1,109	131
		1,121	192
*·	11	1,109	13

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The accounts are drawn up in accordance with the historical cost convention and applicable accounting standards.

Turnover

Turnover represents income received from the sale of advertising time together with sponsorship, club activities and other associated services, and is net of value added tax.

Depreciation

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

Leasehold premises

10% per annum on cost, or over the period of the lease.

Plant and machinery

10 - 20% per annum on cost.

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of purchase cost, on a first-in, first-out-basis, incurred in bringing each product to its present location and condition, and net realisable value.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided using the liability method on all timing differences which are expected to reverse in the future without being replaced, calculated at the rate at which it is anticipated the timing differences will reverse.

Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their useful lives.

The interest element of the rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease on a straight line basis.

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

2. TURNOVER

Turnover all relates to the principal activity of the company, which is that of a radio station. All turnover arose in the United Kingdom.

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3. OPERATING PROFIT

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(a) This is stated after charging:		
	1995	1994
	£'000	£'000
Auditors' remuneration	12	12
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	181	142
Depreciation of assets held under finance leases and hire		
purchase contracts	13	12
Operating lease rentals - land and buildings	140	140
- other	17	2
(b) Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating activities		
	1995	1994
	£'000	£'000
Operating profit	632	177
Depreciation	181	154
Loss/(profit) on disposal of fixed assets	10	(4)
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	14	(24)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	19	(125)
Increase in creditors	346	25
Net cash inflow from continuing operating activities	1,202	203
DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION		
	1995	1994
	£'000	£'000
Fees	14	16
Other emoluments (including pension contributions)	269	226
	283	242

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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4. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION (continued)

Directors' emoluments, excluding pension contributions, fell within the following ranges:

	1995	1994
	No.	No.
£nil - £5,000	2	3
£10,001 - £15,000	1	1
£30,001 - £35,000	-	1
£40,001 - £45,000	2	1
£55,001 - £60,000	-	1
£65,001 - £70,000	1	-
£70,001 - £75,000	-	1
£95,001 - £100,000	1	_
		

The emoluments of the chairman were £10,200 (1994 - £12,500), and those of the highest paid director excluding pension contributions were £96,382 (1994 - £73,732).

5. STAFF COSTS

	1995	1994
	£'000	£'000
Wages and salaries	1,143	1,214
Social security costs	115	122
Other pension costs	43	34
	1,301	1,370
		

The average number of weekly employees during the period was as follows:

	1995 No.	1994 No.
Administration and production	50	54

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INTEREST PAYABLE

		1995 £'000	1994 £'000
	Bank loans, overdrafts and other loans wholly repayable within 5 years	5	24
	Finance charges payable under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	3	9
		8	33
7.	TAXATION		
		1995	1994
	Based on profit for the year:	£'000	£'000
	Corporation tax at 33% (1994: 33%)	102	(178)

(33)

69

(64)

(242)

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

(Over) provided in previous years

	Short leasehold	Plant and	
	land and buildings	machinery	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cost: At 1 April 1994 Additions Disposals	130 14	753 95 (101)	883 109 (101)
At 31 March 1995	144	747	891
Depreciation: At 1 April 1994 Provided during the year Disposals	40 13	452 168 (74)	492 181 (74)
At 31 March 1995	53	546	599
Net Book Value: At 31 March 1995	91	201	292
At 1 April 1994	90	301	391

The net book value of plant and machinery above includes an amount of £Nil (1994 - £19,977) in respect of assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts.

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		Corporation tax				102	

1,094

1,524

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13. OBLIGATIONS UNDER FINANCE LEASES AND HIRE PURCHASE CONTRACTS

The maturity of these amounts is as follows:

	1995	1994
	£'000	£'000
Amounts payable:		
Within one year	-	15
Within two to five years	-	-
	-	15
Less: finance charges allocated to future periods	-	3
		12
Finance leases and hire purchase contracts are analysed as follows:		
	1995	1994
	£'000	£'000
Current obligations	_	12
Non-current obligations		12
Non-current oonganons		
	-	12

14. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

Deferred taxation provided in the accounts and the amounts not provided are as follows:

	Provided		Not provided	
	1995	1994	1995	1994
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Capital allowances in				
advance of depreciation	-	24	(4)	-
Other timing differences	-	(24)	(11)	(3)
	-	-	(15)	(3)

15. SHARE CAPITAL

			Alla	otted, called up
		Authorised		and fully paid
	1995	1994	1995	1994
	No.	No.	£'000	£'000
Ordinary shares of 50p each	1,600,000	1,600,000	740	740
	1,600,000	1,600,000	740	740
			<u> </u>	

at 31 March 1995

16. RECONCILIATION OF SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS AND MOVEMENTS ON RESERVE

	Share capital account £'000	Share premium account £'000	Profit and loss account £'000	Total £'000
At 1 April 1993 Retained profit for the period	740	1,133	(1,929) 391	(56) 391
At 1 April 1994 Retained profit for the period	740	1,133	(1,538) 600	335 600
At 31 March 1995	740	1,133	(938)	935

17. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for one of its directors. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. In addition, all other employees are entitled to join the defined contribution pension scheme operated by the ultimate parent undertaking. Details of this scheme are contained in EMAP.plc accounts.

18. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

At 31 March 1995 the company had annual commitments under operating leases as set out below:

	Land and buildings		Other	
	1995	1994	1995	1994
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Operating leases which expire:				
Within one year	-	-	-	2
Within two to five years	-	_	39	7
In over five years	90	140	-	-
	90	140	39	9

The company had capital commitments of £Nil at the year end (1994 - £Nil).

19. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

The parent undertaking of the group of undertakings for which group accounts are drawn up and of which the company is a member is EMAP plc, registered in England and Wales. Copies of EMAP plc's accounts can be obtained from 1 Lincoln Court, Lincoln Road, Peterborough, PE1 2RF.