SURGICAL RESEARCH SOCIETY (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REGISTERED NUMBER - 2767055

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER - 1015921

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DIRECTORS REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 1998

WYATT, MORRIS, GOLLAND & CO.,
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS,
PARK HOUSE,
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DIRECTORS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1998

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

STATUS: -

The charity is a company limited by guarantee, its governing document being its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

DIRECTORS: -

The charity directors (trustees) during the year were:-

Mr. D. J. A. Scott

Mr. P. M. Lamont

Professor J. Hardcastle Mr. N. J. Bundred

Professor J. N. Baxter

Professor A. N. Kingsnorth

Professor J. P. Neoptolemos Professor J. R. T. Monson

The directors are appointed according to the Articles of Association and are referred to as the "Council of Management'.

REGISTERED OFFICE: -

Heath Park, CARDIFF. CF4 4XN

BANKERS: -

Royal Bank of Scotland PLC., Manchester Withington Hospital, Withington Hospital, Nell Lane, West Didsbury, MANCHESTER. M20 8LR

Barclays Bank PLC., Edgbaston Business Centre, P.O. Box 324, 38 Hagley Road, BIRMINGHAM. B16 8NY

CAF Charity Money Management, Kings Hill, West Malling KENT. ME19 4TA

AUDITORS: -

Wyatt, Morris, Golland & Co., Chartered Accountants, Park House, 200 Drake Street, ROCHDALE, Lancashire. OL16 1PJ

PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVES
The charity's principal objective as set out in its Memorandum of Association is the advancement of public education in the fields of surgery and clinical practice and their attendant sciences, by the conduct of research into such subjects and the publication of such research.

DIRECTORS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1998

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POLICIES

 $\overline{ ext{The following policies}}$ have been adopted in order to further the charity's principal objective: -

- to conduct symposia, seminars and demonstrations of surgical and clinical practices and techniques;
- b) to publish information relevant to the objectives;
- the provision of travelling scholarships and research grants tenable at medical institutions subject to the requirement that holders report their findings to the society

There have been no material changes in the policies adopted by the company over the last year.

ORGANISATION

The charity is managed by the Council of Management. There are no paid employees, secretarial services are paid for as required.

INVESTMENT POWERS

The Charity's powers of investment are governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

During the year the charity maintained its membership many of whom attended one or both of the conferences organised in Dublin and at St. Thomas's Hospital

REVIEW OF THE TRANSACTIONS AND FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE CHARITY

The charity had an excess of income over expenditure for the year which was added to reserves. The trustees envisage that the reserves will be required in future periods to promote the charity's objectives.

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Under company law the council members have the same legal responsibilities as company directors and the title is interchangeable.

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 year. 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; follow applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business. 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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Messrs. Wyatt, Morris, Golland & Co., Chartered Accountants, have intimated their willingness to continue in office as auditors to the company and will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors

Secretary

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Approved by the board:

4May 1999

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF SURGICAL RESEARCH SOCIETY

We have audited the accounts on pages 4 to 9 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 2, the directors who also act as trustees for the charitable activities of the association 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 in the preparation of the accounts, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable 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 the charitable company's affairs at 31 December 1998 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

WYATT, MORRIS, GOLLAND & CO. CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS AND REGISTERED AUDITORS

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4 May 1999

Park House, 200 Drake Street, ROCHDALE, Lancashire. OL16 1PJ

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1998

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 1998	Total funds 1997
		<u>£</u>	£	<u>£</u>	£
Income and expenditure					
Incoming resources:- Subscriptions Donations from meetings Investment income		32,409 5,930 11,226	- - -	32,409 5,930 11,226	25,831 11,326 10,444
Total incoming resources		49,565	-	49,565	47,601
Resources expended:- Direct charitable expenditure Management and administration of the charity		33,741 10,026	- -	33,741	28,095
Total resources expended	4	43,767	· <u>-</u>	43,767	38,075
Net incoming resources		5,798	-	5,798	9,526
Other recognised gains and le Gains on investments Unrealised Realised	<u>osses</u>	2,177 - 	-	2,177	4,807 1,857
Net movement in funds		7,975	-	7,975	16,190
Fund balance brought forward 1 January 1998	at	166,255		166,255	150,065
Fund balance carried forward 31 December 1998	at	174,230	-	174,230	166,255

THE NOTES ON PAGES 6 TO 9 FORM PART OF THESE ACCOUNTS.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1998

	Notes	<u>1998</u>		<u>1997</u>	
		£	<u>£</u>	£	<u>£</u>
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets Investments	6 7		1,362 86,351		2,042 84,173
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	8	5,865 97,330	87,713	3,835 92,802	86,215
CREDITORS - Amounts falling due within one year	9	(16,678)		96,637	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			86,517		80,040
Net assets			174,230		166,255
FUNDED BY:-					
Unrestricted funds			174,230		166,255 ======

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors

Approved by the board Word P.M. LAMONT WITH DIRECTOR WITH

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1998

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting by Charities".

Cash flow

The accounts do not include a cash flow statement because the charity, as a small reporting entity, is exempt from the requirement to prepare such a statement under Financial Reporting Standard 1 'Cash flow statements'.

Income

The accounts include income on the following basis:-

Subscriptions - From 1 January 1998 they are included on an accruals basis. Previously they were recognised on a receipts basis. It has not been possible in 1998 to identify the effect of this change in basis.

Donations from meetings - The meetings are arranged by people who are not necessarily members of the society nor its employees. The records of the meetings are kept by the University or establishment organising the meeting. Consequently the charity has no control over the accounting function and accepts the net income payment as a donation when received.

Other donations and voluntary income - Included when received.

Investment income - Included on an accruals basis and includes bank interest, dividend income and similar.

Expenditure

The accounts include expenditure on the following basis:-

Charitable expenditure includes all costs relating to conferences, seminars, publications, grants and 80% of the secretarial costs being the amount the directors consider is the allocation relating to organising activities.

Administration costs include 20% of the secretarial costs and the costs of council meetings and similar expenses.

Investments

Investments are valued at market value, in order to comply with best practice for charity accounting.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:-

Secretarial office equipment - 25% straight line

Taxation

The company is a registered charity and as such is entitled to the exemption from tax to the extent that the income received falls within section 505 I.C.T.A. 1988 and section 256 C.G.T.A. 1992 and is applied to charitable purposes only.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1998

2. <u>DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE</u>

	Unres funds	tricted		estricted unds	Total funds 1998	Total funds 1997
		<u>£</u>		£	£	£
British Journal of Surgery Subscriptions and membershi	a	12,627		-	12,627	8,306
fees	· F	124		_	124	382
Secretarial costs		5,440		-	5,440	6,645
Printing, postage and stati	onerv	2,859		_	2,859	3,286
Booklets	•	2,762		_	2,762	8,876
Travel award		800		_	800	600
Internet expenses		1,479		-	1,479	-
Repairs and renewals		898		_	898	-
Merchandise		2,648		-	2,648	-
Travel		4,104		_	4,104	-
	•	33,741			33,741	28,095
3. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE CHARITY	<u>ION</u>					
Audit fees		1,468		-	1,468	1,360
Secretarial costs		1,360		-	1,360	1,661
Printing, postage and stati	ionery	714		-	714	822
Bank charges		198		-	198	44
Companies House - filing fe	ee	15		-	15	15
Book-keeper		500		-	500	500
Broker commission		-		-	-	581
Depreciation		680		-	680	646
Committee expenses		5,091			5,091	4,351
		10,026		-	10,026	9,980
4. TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED						
	Staff costs		ore- ation	Other costs	Total 1998	Total 1997
	£		£	£	£	£
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Direct charitable expenditure Management and administrat:	- ion		-	33,741	33,741	28,095
of the charity	_ _	_	680	9,346	10,026	9,980
	-	-	680	43,087	43,767	38,075

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1998

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5. CHANGES IN RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR CHARITY USE

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total <u>funds</u>
		£	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
	Net movement in funds for the year	7,975	-	7,975
	Net decrease in tangible fixed assets used for administration		- 	680
	Net movements in funds available for future activities	ele 8,655 ======		8,655 ======
6.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS			
		Computer equipment	Fixtures and <u>fittings</u>	Total
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
	Cost At 1 January 1998	2,413	275	2,688
	At 31 December 1998	2,413	275	2,688
	Accumulated depreciation			
	At 1 January 1998 Charge for the year	604 603	42 77 	646 680
	At 31 December 1998	1,207	119	1,326
	Net book values At 31 December 1998	1,206 ======	156 =====	1,362
	At 31 December 1997	1,809 =====	233 ======	2,042 =====
7.	FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS			
			1998	1997
	•		<u>£</u>	£
	Quoted investments:-			
	Market value at 1 January 1998 Additions Disposals	3	84,173 - -	81,737 45,304 (49,532)
	Net recognised investment gain	ns	2,178	6,664
	Market value at 31 December 19	998	86,351	84,173
	Historical cost at 31 December	r 1998	78,767 ======	78,767 ======

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1998

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8. DEBTORS

		1998	<u> 1997</u>
		<u>£</u>	£
	Other debtors	5,865 =====	3,835 ======
9.	CREDITORS - Amounts falling due within one year		
		1998	<u> 1997</u>
		<u>£</u>	£
	Subscription - British Journal of Surgery Other creditors Accruals	12,627 621 3,430 ————————————————————————————————————	9,388 5,849 1,360 ————————————————————————————————————
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10. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There are no contingent liabilities of a material amount for which provision has not been made in the accounts.

11. <u>COMMITMENTS</u>

<u>Capital commitments</u>

There were no capital commitments at 31 December 1998 (1997 - £Nil).