

Nations in Bloom Ltd

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
for the period ended 30 April

	2003/2004 Unrestricted Fund £	2002/2003 Unrestricted Fund £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>		
Sponsorship	135,718	130,000
Registration Fees	11,054	19,880
Interest Receivable	6,505	4,621
Other Income	877	3,567
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<u>154,154</u>	<u>158,068</u>
<b>Resources Expended</b>		
Direct Charitable Expenditure:		
Competition Expenditure	42,984	42,236
Media Coverage	26,221	24,998
Travel Grants to Finalists	7,736	4,475
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<u>76,941</u>	<u>71,709</u>
<b>Other Expenditure:</b>		
Administration	32,304	28,808
Board costs	6,755	6,500
<b>Total Other Expenditure</b>	<u>39,059</u>	<u>35,308</u>
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<u>116,000</u>	<u>107,017</u>
<b>Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources</b>	38,154	51,051
Fund Balances brought forward at 1 May	88,886	37,835
<b>Fund Balances carried forward at 30 April</b>	<u>127,040</u>	<u>88,886</u>



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**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**  
for the period ended 30 April

	<b>Note</b>	<b>2003/2004</b> <b>£</b>	<b>2002/2003</b> <b>£</b>
Turnover		154,154	158,068
Administrative Costs		116,000	107,017
Operating Profit		31,649	46,430
Interest Receivable	2	<u>6,505</u>	<u>4,621</u>
<b>Retained Profit for the Period</b>			
<b>trfd to Accumulated Fund</b>	6	<u>38,154</u>	<u>51,051</u>

All of the Company's operations are classified as continuing.

A statement of the movements on reserves appears at note 6 to the financial statements.

The Company had no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the period.

The Trustees wish to acknowledge the support in kind provided by various Organisations during the year. The estimated value of this support is £7,500 (see note 8).

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## BALANCE SHEET as at 30 April

	Note	2004 £	2003 £
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	4	-	270
Cash		54,993	205,215
Investment		250,000	
		<u>304,993</u>	<u>205,485</u>
<b>Creditors:</b>			
amounts falling due within 1 year	5	26,500	25,991
Registrations paid in advance		1,453	630
Sponsorship received in advance		150,000	89,978
		<u>177,953</u>	<u>116,599</u>
<b>Total Assets less</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		127,040	88,886
<b>Reserves</b>			
Unrestricted Funds	6	127,040	88,886

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies

For the year ended 30 April 2002 the company was entitled to exemption under section 249a(2) of the Companies Act 1985. No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 249b(2). The directors acknowledge their responsibility for:

- i) Ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221; and
- ii) Preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of its profit and loss for the financial year in accordance with section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

**Signed on behalf of the Company**



**A. Smith**

**Date:**

**Nations in Bloom Ltd**  
**NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
For the year ended 30 April 2004

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**i. Convention**

The Financial Statements are prepared under the historic cost convention which takes no account of the effects of inflation and in accordance with applicable Financial Reporting Standards and statements of Standard Accounting Practice.

The accounts are maintained on the accruals basis in that income and expenditure are recorded in the years to which they relate.

Expenditure is allocated between Direct Charitable Expenditure and Support Costs based on the nature of the expenditure.

The Company's Profit for the period was £38,154, £51,051 for 2002/2003

**ii. Income**

Income is the gross amount receivable by the Company in the ordinary course of business for services supplied.

Interest Receivable is interest receivable on bank accounts and investments.

**iii. Turnover**

Turnover comprises the income of the Company.

**iv. Cash Flow Statement**

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No.1 from producing a Cash Flow Statement on the grounds that the Company is a small Company.

	<b>2003/2004</b>	<b>2002/2003</b>
<b>2. Interest Receivable</b>		
	£	£
Deposits	6,505	4,621
<b>3. Directors' Remuneration</b>		
Directors' Remuneration	Nil	Nil
<b>4. Debtors</b>		
Trade debtors	Nil	270
Other debtors	Nil	Nil
	<u>Nil</u>	<u>270</u>
<b>5. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>		
Trade creditors	26,500	25,991
Other creditors	Nil	Nil
Registrations paid in advance	1,453	630
Sponsorship received in advance	150,000	89,978
	<u>177,953</u>	<u>116,599</u>
<b>6. Reserves</b>		
General Fund - Unrestricted		
At 1 May	88,886	37,835
Profit for the period	38,154	51,051
At 30 April	<u>127,040</u>	<u>88,886</u>

## **Nations in Bloom Ltd**

### **NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 30 April 2004**

#### **7. Related Party Transactions**

During the period expenses totalling £xxxxx were paid to a total of 7 Trustees in respect of travel and subsistence. The Trustees include members from the UK, USA, Canada, Australia, Belgium and Japan. The expenses relate to their attendance at the Nations in Bloom 2002 Final held in Stuttgart, Germany. and the Interim Judging in the UK and Board Meeting in Chicago, USA.

#### **8. Support in Kind**

	Estimated Value £
Ifpra Japan	500
NRPA, USA	1,500
Municipal World Magazine, Canada	1,000
Regional Environmental Agencies, Finland	1,500
Australia Leisure Management Magazine	1,000
Norwegian Parks Association	1,000
Other support	1,000
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### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF NATIONS IN BLOOM**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the period ended 30 April 2004, which are set out on pages 1 - 4.

#### **Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

As the charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and comparison of the accounts presented with those records with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

in the Accounting records kept by the Company under Section 221, the Company, which is a Registered Charity, satisfied the requirements of Subsection 5 of Section 249A for the year ended 30th April 2003 and did not fall within Section 249B(1)(A) to (F) at any time within the Financial Year.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met  
or:
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'I. Blundell', is written above the printed name.

I. Blundell, 79 Woodcote Road, Reading, Berks.

# *Nations in Bloom*

## Trustees' Annual Report

### **TRUSTEES' REPORT for the period ended 30 April 2004**

The name of the Charity as listed in the Register of Charities is Nations in Bloom. The address is Globe House, Crispin Close, Caversham, Reading RG4 7JS, which is also the Registered Office.

The number assigned to Nations in Bloom by the Registrar of Charities is 1071430. Nations in Bloom is a Company Limited by Guarantee (Company Number 3548307) and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The Trustees are also Directors of the Company. In the year 2003/2004 the Trustees were as follows:

Mr. G. De Buysscher	Mr. S. Palframan	Mrs. C. Savaria	
Mr. R. Small	Mr. A. Smith	Mr. Y. Tashiro	Ms. S. McMayon

The Company's Bankers are as follows: Barclays Bank plc.  
PO Box 27  
Reading  
RG1 2HD

The objects for which the Company is established are "to educate the public in exemplary environmental management as a means of improving the quality of life of all citizens".

The objectives of Nations in Bloom are to:

- Raise the awareness that good environmental management can make a difference to the quality of life of all citizens
- Encourage investment in environmental management
- Encourage environmentally sensitive practices
- Encourage innovation in environmental practices
- Create an international network through which best practice is exchanged
- Present educational events to participants, other professional environmental managers and the public

The objectives are pursued through the organisation of an international competition for communities who are judged on the following criteria:

- Enhancement of the Landscape
- Heritage Management
- Environmentally Sensitive Practices
- Community Involvement
- Planning for the Future

The Trustees of Nations in Bloom have approved a financial target of accruing Reserves equivalent to one year's operating costs. The Trust made significant progress towards achieving this objective, and it is anticipated that the objective will be achieved within 2004/2005, provided that no exceptional expenditure is incurred.

There have been no material changes during the last year in the policies and objectives of the Company.

The Company has achieved its financial budgetary targets for the year.

The Company made progress during the year through the successful organisation of Nations in Bloom 2003, the Finals of which were held in Apeldoorn, Netherlands. Twenty-seven communities participated in the Final of the Competition and the Competition attracted media attention worldwide.

To further the 'educational' objectives of Nations in Bloom, in Nations in Bloom 2003 a seminar was held, which representatives of the participating communities and members of the local community attended.

The Company is free of any dependence on donated services and facilities either within or outside of the Company's accounts, and is not dependent on the support of any particular individuals, organisations or groups of donors.

The following were the successful Category Winners in Nations in Bloom 2003.

**POPULATION CATEGORY UP TO 20,000**

FIRST PLACE	SOLDIERS POINT, AUSTRALIA
SECOND PLACE	KILLARNEY, IRELAND
THIRD PLACE	MAZE VILLAGE, JAPAN

**POPULATION CATEGORY 20,001 – 75,000**

FIRST PLACE	ENKOPING, SWEDEN
SECOND PLACE	THE WOODLANDS, USA
THIRD PLACE	PLAYFORD, AUSTRALIA

**POPULATION CATEGORY 75,001 – 200,000**

FIRST PLACE	PORT PHILLIP, AUSTRALIA
SECOND PLACE	WATERLOO, CANADA
THIRD PLACE	PLZEN, CZECH REPUBLIC

**POPULATION CATEGORY 200,001 – 1,000,000**

FIRST PLACE	QUANZHOU, CHINA
SECOND PLACE	SEATTLE, USA
THIRD PLACE	PUYANG, CHINA

**POPULATION CATEGORY OVER 1,000,000**

FIRST PLACE	CHICAGO, USA
SECOND PLACE	TSHWANE, SOUTH AFRICA
THIRD PLACE	SUZHOU, CHINA

**CRITERIA AWARDS**

ENHANCEMENT OF THE LANDSCAPE	PLZEN, CZECH REPUBLIC
HERITAGE MANAGEMENT	QUANZHOU, CHINA
ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE PRACTICES	CHELSEA, CANADA
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT	TSHWANE, SOUTH AFRICA
PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE	PLAYFORD, AUSTRALIA

**SPECIAL AWARD - SALEKHARD, RUSSIA**

**BURSARY AWARD - £10,000 - CALBIGA, PHILIPPINES**

The following Statement of Financial Activities summarises the application of the Company's funds in 2003/2004.

**Incoming Resources**

The income of the Company is derived mainly from sponsorship of the Competition.



**Resources expended on Charitable Activities**

Expenditure of the Company is primarily in the staging of the Competition Final with a significant proportion of the expenditure relating to ensuring that the Competition is given as much media attention as possible. The administration costs relate to the production of Competition entry forms, which are distributed worldwide, together with the normal costs associated with administering a Company. No staff is directly employed by the Company. None of the Trustees receives any payment for their involvement with the Company.

There are no post balance sheet events that will effect the position of the Company.

The Company is not 'connected' to any other Registered Charity in the context of the requirements of this Declaration.

On behalf of the Trustees.

A. Smith

18<sup>th</sup> October 2004

# *Nations in Bloom*

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The Directors have pleasure in presenting their Report, together with the Financial Statements of the Company for the period ended 30 April 2004.

### **Principal Activities**

The principal activity of the Company is the organisation of an international competition in order to enhance public awareness of exemplary environmental management, as a means of improving the quality of life of all citizens and to encourage others to achieve high standards.

### **Directors**

The following have served as Directors of the Company during the year:

Mr. G. De Buysscher	Mr. S. Palframan	Mrs. C. Savaria	
Mr. R. Small	Mr. A. Smith	Mr. Y. Tashiro	Ms. S. McMayon

### **Statement of Directors Responsibilities**

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year that 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 reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and to 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.

### **Year 2003/2004 Issues**

No problems were experienced relating to the year 2003/2004.

### **Company Status**

Nations in Bloom is a Company Limited by Guarantee and is a Charity Registered by the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales.

### **Special Exemptions**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

A. Smith  
18<sup>th</sup> October 2004