Report and Accounts

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BUXTED PARK HOTEL LIMITED Company Information

Directors

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Secretary

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Auditors

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Registered number

3784925

Directors' Report

The directors present their report and accounts for the 52 weeks ended 25 November 2004.

Principal activities

The company's principal activity during the period continued to be that of the ownership and operation of the Buxted Park Hotel.

Review of business

The results for the period and financial position of the company are as shown in the annexed financial statements.

Dividends

No dividends will be distributed for the period ended 25 November 2004.

Directors

The directors who served during the period under review were:

R.C. Felton

J. Hands

The directors holding office at 25 November 2004 did not hold any beneficial interest in the issued share capital of the company or any other company within the group at 27 November 2003 or 25 November 2004, except J Hands, who holds two shares.

Statement of Directors' responsibilities

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 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; and
- 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 ensuring that the directors' report and other information included in the financial statements is prepared in accordance with company law in the United Kingdom.

The directors are responsible for maintaining 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.

Auditors

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A resolution to reappoint PKF as auditors will be put to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

J Hands Director

Independent auditors' report to the members of BUXTED PARK HOTEL LIMITED

We have audited the accounts of Buxted Park Hotel Limited for the period ended 25 November 2004 which comprise the Profit and Loss account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read other information contained in the Annual Report and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. This other information comprises only the Directors' Report. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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 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 the company's affairs as at 25 November 2004 and of its profit for the period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

PKF

PKF Registered auditors

London

27 April 2005

Profit and Loss Account

for the period from 28 November 2003 to 25 November 2004

	Notes	52 weeks ended 25 November 2004 £	52 weeks ended 27 November 2003 £
Turnover		2,286,947	1,627,612
Cost of sales		(554,572)	(447,467)
Gross profit		1,732,375	1,180,145
Administrative expenses		(1,717,697)	(1,390,145)
Operating profit/(loss)	2	14,678	(210,000)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation		14,678	(210,000)
Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	4	-	17,000
Retained profit/(loss) for the period	10	14,678	(193,000)

Continuing operations

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two periods.

Statement of total recognised gains and losses

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profit/(loss) for the above two periods.

BUXTED PARK HOTEL LIMITED Balance Sheet

as at 25 November 2004

	Notes		25 November 2004 £		27 November 2003 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	5		5,491,980		5,271,852
Current assets					
Stocks	6	20,718		12,650	
Debtors	7	91,745		67,834	
Cash at bank and in hand		6,832		26,076	
		119,295		106,560	
Creditors: amounts falling due					
within one year	8	(3,242,651)		(3,024,466)	
Net current liabilities			(3,123,356)		(2,917,906)
			2,368,624		2,353,946
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	9		3,200,002		3,200,002
Profit and loss account	10		(831,378)		(846,056)
Shareholders' funds	11		2,368,624		2,353,946

J Hands Director

Approved by the board on 20HApril 2005

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Notes to the Accounts

for the period from 28 November 2003 to 25 November 2004

1 Accounting policies

Fundamental Accounting Concept

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis on the basis of continuing financial support from the immediate parent undertaking Hand Picked Hotels Limited.

Accounting convention

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

Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of goods and services, excluding value added tax, all of which is generated through the operation of the hotel.

Depreciation

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

Freehold buildings core	50 years
Freehold buildings surface finishes and services	20 years
Plant and machinery	4 to 25 years

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Financial Reporting Standard Number 1

Exemption has been taken from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the company is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking.

Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is provided on material timing differences between the incidence of income and expenditure for taxation and accounts purposes using the full provision basis set out in Financial Reporting Standard 19.

Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemptions in FRS 8 in connection with the disclosure of transactions with other group undertakings.

Leasing

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.

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2	Operating loss	2004	2003
	This is stated after charging:	£	£
	Depreciation of owned fixed assets	212,592	163,319
	Other operating leases	1,260	1,260
	Auditors' remuneration - audit fees		2,600
3	Staff costs	2004	2003
•		£	£
	Wages and salaries	797,548	667,988
	Social security costs	63,555	48,481
	Other pension costs	7,217	5,829
		868,320	722,298
	None of the directors received any remuneration for the period (2003: £nil)		
	Average number of employees during the year	Number	Number
	Hotel operations	45	34
	Administration	5	5
		50	39
4	Taxation		
		2004	2003
	Current year charge	£	£
	Corporation tax		<u> </u>
	Total current tax	<u> </u>	-
	Deferred taxation	-	(17,000)
	Total tax		(17,000)

Notes to the Accounts for the period from 28 November 2003 to 25 November 2004

4 Taxation (continued)

	2004	2003
Factors affecting tax charge for the period	£	£
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before tax	14,678	(210,000)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax (30%)	4,403	(63,000)
Explained by: Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Capital allowances for period in excess of depreciation Losses carried forward for future offset Total current tax	9,373 (43,178) 29,402	2,739 (52,797) 113,058
Deferred tax	£	
At 28 November 2003 Credited to profit and loss At 25 November 2004	<u>-</u>	
Deferred tax is analysed as follows: Losses Accelerated capital allowances	234,500 (234,500)	

There are trading losses carried forward of £855,000 (2003 £816,000) available for offset against future trading profits. At the period end there is a deferred tax liability arising on accelerated capital allowances of £234,500 and a deferred tax asset arising on losses of £256,500. The net deferred tax asset has not been recognised as the recoverability of the asset is uncertain.

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for the period from 28 November 2003 to 25 November 2004

5	Tangible fixed assets	Freehold land and buildings	Plant and machinery	Total
	Cost	£	£	£
	At 28 November 2003 Additions	3,688,301	1,979,133 432,720	5,667,434 432,720
	At 25 November 2004	3,688,301	2,411,853	6,100,154
	Depreciation			
	At 28 November 2003	73,062	322,520	395,582
	Charge for the 52 weeks	29,186	183,406	212,592
	At 25 November 2004	102,248	505,926	608,174
	Net book value			
	At 25 November 2004	3,586,053	1,905,927	5,491,980
	At 27 November 2003	3,615,239	1,656,613	5,271,852
6	Stocks		2004 £	2003 £
	Goods for resale		20,718	10 (60
7		•	20,710	12,650
	Debtors		2004 £	2003 £
			2004 £	2003 £
	Debtors Trade debtors Amounts due from fellow subsidiary undertakings		2004	2003
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9	Share capital	2004 No	2003 No	2004 £	2003 £
	Authorised:				
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
	Allotted, issued and fully paid:				
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	3,200,002	3,200,002	3,200,002	3,200,002
10	Profit and loss account			2004 £	2003 £
	At 28 November 2003			(846,056)	(653,056)
	Retained profit/(loss)			14,678	(193,000)
	At 25 November 2004			(831,378)	(846,056)
11	Reconciliation of movement in sharehold	ers' funds		2004 £	2003 £
	At 28 November 2003			2,353,946	2,546,946
	Profit/(loss) for the financial 52 weeks			14,678	(193,000)
	At 25 November 2004			2,368,624	2,353,946

12 Capital commitments

The amounts contracted for but not provided for in the accounts amount to £Nil (2003 £64,289). This amount related to the refurbishment of the hotel property.

13 Contingent liability

At 25 November 2004, the company, along with certain other fellow subsidiary undertakings, has granted a fixed and floating charge over its assets, to a maximum of £5,245,000 (2003: £5,245,000), in respect of certain liabilities of Hand Picked Hotels Limited.

14 Ultimate Parent Company

The company's ultimate parent undertaking is Benfica Limited, which is registered in the Isle of Man. The company's immediate parent is Hand Picked Hotels Limited a company registered in England and Wales. The largest and smallest group, in whose financial statements the results of the company will be consolidated is Hand Picked Hotels Limited. The consolidated accounts of Hand Picked Hotels Limited will be available to the public and will be obtainable in due course from the Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff.

The controlling party is Mr G Hands.