# **Annual Report and Financial Statements**

Coral Eurobet Holdings Limited

For the year ended 27 September 2014



Registered Number: 04487021

# **DIRECTORS AND ADVISORS**

# **DIRECTORS**

P Bowtell Gala Coral Nominees Limited

# **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Gala Coral Secretaries Limited

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

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# **REGISTERED OFFICE**

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# **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

For the year ended 27 September 2014

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 27 September 2014. These financial statements are drawn up to the last Saturday in September each year. As a result of this the Company benefits from an additional 53rd week of trading in certain years (last 53 week year was 2012).

#### RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The loss for the financial year, after taxation amounted to £25,950,000 (2013: £11,810,000). No dividends were paid or proposed during the year (2013: £nil).

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Company is a holding company which manages investments in subsidiary companies. The directors propose to continue the same activity next year.

During the year the Company rationalised its historic intercompany balances in exchange for a net position with its parent companies CE Acquisition 1 Limited, CE Acquisition 2 Limited and CE Finance 3 Limited and its immediate subsidiary company Coral Eurobet Limited. There was no profit/loss on the transaction.

# PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Group's risks are managed at a consolidated level, rather than at an individual business unit level and the company's directors believe that a discussion of the group's risks would not be appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of Coral Eurobet Holdings Limited's business. The principal and financial risks and uncertainties of the group, which include those of the company, are discussed on pages 9 to 12 of Gala Coral Group Limited's annual report which does not form part of this report.

# **BUSINESS REVIEW AND KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

The Group's operations are managed on a divisional basis. For this reason, the company's directors believe that analysis using key performance indicators for the company is not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business of Coral Eurobet Holdings Limited. The development, performance and position of the group, which includes this company, is discussed on pages 2 to 8 of the Gala Coral Group Limited's annual report which does not form part of this report.

# **GOING CONCERN**

The directors have continued to review the Company's cash flow forecasts and trading budgets and after making appropriate enquiries, have formed the view that the Company is operationally and financially robust and will generate sufficient cash to meet its ongoing requirements for at least the next 12 months from the signing of this report. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

# **DIRECTORS**

The following served as directors during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements:

P Rowtell

Gala Coral Nominees Limited

# DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

For the year ended 27 September 2014

# **DIRECTORS' INDEMNITIES AND INSURANCE**

The Group maintains a qualifying (as defined by law) directors' and officers' liability insurance. The above named directors, (except for the corporate directors) have received an indemnity from the group to the extent permitted by law throughout the year and up to the date of signing this report. Neither the indemnity nor the insurance will provide cover in situations where a director has acted fraudulently or dishonestly.

# STATEMENT OF DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

For all the directors at the time this report was approved, the following applies:

- a) so far as each director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware; and
- b) each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

By order of the board

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On behalf of Gala Coral Secretaries Limited Company Secretary 18 May 2015

# DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and 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 2006. 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.

By order of the board

**HAWillits** 

On behalf of Gala Coral Secretaries Limited Company Secretary 18 May 2015

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT to the members of Coral Eurobet Holdings Limited

#### Report on the financial statements

# **Our Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements, defined below:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 27 September 2014 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

This opinion is to be read in the context of what we say in the remainder of this report.

#### What we have audited

The financial statements, which are prepared by Coral Eurobet Holdings Limited, comprise:

- the Balance Sheet as at 27 September 2014;
- the Profit and Loss Account for the year then ended;
- the Reconciliation of Movements in Shareholders' Funds/(Deficit) for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In applying the financial reporting framework, the directors have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, they have made assumptions and considered future events.

# What an audit of financial statements involves

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) ("ISAs (UK & Ireland)"). An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of:

- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed;
- the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and
- the overall presentation of the financial statements.

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) to the members of Coral Eurobet Holdings Limited

# Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

# Other matters on which we are required to report by exception

# Adequacy of accounting records and information and explanations received

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

#### Directors' remuneration

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

#### **Entitlement to exemptions**

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from preparing a strategic report. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

# Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

# Our responsibilities and those of the directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement on page 4, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and ISAs (UK & Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Ian Benham (Senior Statutory Auditor)

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For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

London

20 May 2015

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 27 September 2014

	Notes	2014 £000	2013 £000
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Interest receivable and other similar income	3	114,627	8,891
Interest payable and other similar charges	3	(132,432	(20,701)
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(17,805)	(11,810)
Tax charge on loss on ordinary activities	4	(8,145)	· -
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	9	(25,950)	(11,810)

All operations of the company are continuing.

There are no recognised gains or losses for the year other than the loss attributable to the shareholders of the company of £25,950,000 (2013: £11,810.000).

There is no material difference between the loss on ordinary activities before taxation and the loss for the financial years stated above, and their historical cost equivalents.

# RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS/(DEFICIT) for the year ended 27 September 2014

	2014 £000	2013 £000
Loss for the financial year	(25,950)	(11,810)
Capital contribution	53,929	-
Group relief (note 4)	(7,553)	-
Opening shareholders' (deficit)/funds	(2,648)	9,162
CLOSING SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS/(DEFICIT)	17,778	(2,648)

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# **BALANCE SHEET**

As at 27 September 2014

	Notes	2014 £000	2013 £000
FIXED ASSETS			
Fixed asset investments	5	168,149	168,149
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CURRENT ASSETS			
<b>DEBTORS:</b> amounts falling due after more than one year: Amounts owed by group companies	6	1,643,130	252,988
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,811,279	421,137
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year:			
Amounts owed to group companies	7	(1,793,501)	(423,785)
NET ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		17,778	(2,648)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	8	94	94
Share premium account	9	9,532	9,532
Capital reserve	9	875	875
Capital contribution reserve	9	53,929	-
Profit and loss account	. 9	(46,652)	(13,149)
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS/(DEFICIT)		17,778	(2,648)

The financial statements on pages 7 to 15 were approved by the Board of Directors on 18 May 2015 and are signed on its behalf by:

P Bowtell

Director

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 27 September 2014

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# Basis of preparation

The company is exempt from preparing group financial statements under Section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 since it is a wholly owned subsidiary of another UK company, and accordingly the financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking only.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, applying the accounting policies set out below, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom and the Companies Act 2006, which have been applied consistently.

# Cash flow statement and related party disclosures

The company is included in the consolidated financial statements of Gala Coral Group Limited, which are publicly available. Consequently, the company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement under the terms of FRS 1 (revised 1996) 'Cash Flow Statements'.

The company is also exempt under the terms of FRS 8 'Related Party Disclosures' from disclosing related party transactions with wholly owned entities that are part of the Gala Coral Group.

## Going concern

The directors have continued to review the Company's cash flow forecasts and trading budgets and after making appropriate enquiries, have formed the view that the Company is operationally and financially robust and will generate sufficient cash to meet its ongoing requirements for at least the next 12 months from the signing of this report. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

# Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events have occurred at that date which will result in an obligation to pay more, or a right to pay less or to receive more, tax with the following exceptions:

deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that the directors consider it is more likely than
not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing
differences can be deducted.

Deferred tax is calculated on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

#### Fixed asset investments

Investments are stated at cost less any necessary provision against their carrying value for diminution in value.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 27 September 2014

# 2. DIRECTORS', AUDITORS' AND EMPLOYEES' REMUNERATION

The directors who have served during the year are also directors of other undertakings within the group and do not receive any remuneration in respect of their services to the company (2013: £nil). Their remuneration is included in the financial statements of Gala Coral Group Limited.

One fee for auditors' remuneration has been charged for the Gala Coral Group audit and it is not practicable to split this by individual company. The auditors' remuneration has been paid by a fellow subsidiary company.

The company does not have any employees (2013: none). Management services are provided to the company by a fellow subsidiary company. No charge is made for these services (2013: £nil).

#### 3. INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND PAYABLE

		2014	2013
		£000£	£000
	Interest receivable and similar income:		
	Interest receivable from group companies	114,627	8,891
	Interest payable and similar charges:		
	Interest payable to group companies	132,432	20,701
4.	TAX ON LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
	a) The taxation credit is made up as follows:		
		2014	2013
		£000	£000
	Current tax:		
	Adjustments in respect of prior years' group relief	8,145	
	Tax charge on loss on ordinary activities	8,145	-

The company makes and receives no payment for group relief for the year (2013: 23.51%). During the year the Company made adjustments to prior years' group relief at £1 in the £1 rate as this was the original value received. The amount recorded in the profit and loss account is equal to the effective tax rate with the remainder of the charge recognised in reserves.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 27 September 2014

# 4. TAX ON LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES (continued)

# b) Factors affecting the current tax charge:

The tax credit on the loss on ordinary activities for the year differs from (2013: differs from) the average standard rate of corporation tax in the UK. The differences are reconciled below:

	2014	2013
	£000	£000£
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	(17,805)	(11,810)
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by average standard rate of		
corporation tax in the UK for the year of 22.02% (2013: 23.51%)	(3,921)	(2,777)
Non-taxable income	-	(2,090)
Losses carried forward	-	4,867
Debt cap interest adjustment	(25,240)	-
Adjustment in respect of prior years' group relief	8,145	-
Losses carried forward	29,161	-
Current tax charge for the year	8,145	-

The rate of Corporation tax in the UK was reduced from 23% to 21% effective from 1 April 2014 and will reduce further to 20% with effect from 1 April 2015. Both rate changes were enacted by Finance Act 2013.

# c) Deferred taxation

The Company has an unrecognised deferred tax asset of £37,520,000 as at 27 September 2014 in respect of losses carried forward. The unrecognised deferred tax asset has been calculated at 20%, as it is anticipated that the asset will reverse after 1 April 2015.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 27 September 2014

# 5. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

# a) Shares in group companies

£000

#### Cost and net book value:

At 27 September 2014 and at 28 September 2013

168,149

# b) Principal investments:

The company holds 100% of the ordinary share capital of Coral Eurobet Limited (previously CE Finance 1 Limited), a holding company, which is incorporated in Great Britain.

In the opinion of the directors, the value of the subsidiary company is at least equal to the amount shown above.

# **6. DEBTORS:** amounts falling due after more than one year.

	£000	
Amounts owed by group companies	1,643,130	252,988
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Amounts owed by group companies are unsecured, have no fixed date of repayment and the directors have confirmed that they do not intend to request payment within the next year. Accordingly these amounts have been classified as long term debtors. Amounts owed by group companies bear interest at a rate linked to the Group's borrowing costs. Amounts owed by non-trading group companies do not bear interest.

# 7. CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year

Amounts owed to group companies	1,793,501	423,785
	£000	£000
	2014	2013

Amounts owed to group companies are unsecured, have no fixed date of repayment and the directors have received confirmation that the counterparties do not intend to request repayment within the next year. Amounts owed to group companies bear interest at a rate linked to the Group's borrowing costs. Amounts owed to non-trading group companies do not bear interest.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 27 September 2014

# 8. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Allotted and fully paid:

	Ordinary Shares of 1p	Ordinary Shares of 1p	*Deferred Shares of 1p	*Deferred Shares of 1p	Total
	Number	£000	Number	£000	£000
At 27 September 2014 and at 28 September 2013	9,174,330	92	218,806	2	94
and at 20 september 2010	=====	====	====	<u> </u>	

<sup>\*</sup>The deferred shares do not carry any right to participate in the profits of the company and hold no voting rights. They are redeemable at the option of the company by payment to each holder of £0.01 for every 1,000 deferred shares (or part of 1,000 deferred shares) held.

# 9. RESERVES

	Share premium account £000	Capital reserve £000	Capital contribution reserve £000	Profit and loss account £000	Total £000
At 28 September 2013	9,532	875	-	(13,149)	(2,742)
Loss for the financial year	-	-	-	(25,950)	(25,950)
Capital contribution	-	-	53,929	-	53,929
Group relief	-	-	-	(7,553)	(7,553)
At 27 September 2014	9,532	875	53,929	(46,652)	17,684

On 14 August 2014 the Company received a capital contribution from its parent company, CE Finance 3 Limited. The proceeds were used to settle certain group balances.

# 10. GUARANTEES

The borrowings of the Gala Coral Group are secured on the assets of the Company and are guaranteed by fellow members of the Group. The extent of the group borrowings can be found in the Gala Coral Group Limited's annual report.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 27 September 2014

# 11. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The Company is a subsidiary of CE Finance 3 Limited, a company incorporated in Great Britain.

The only group in which the results of Coral Eurobet Holdings Limited are consolidated is that headed by Gala Coral Group Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales. Consolidated financial statements are available to the public and may be obtained from Gala Coral Group Limited, New Castle House, Castle Boulevard, Nottingham, NG7 1FT.

As at 29 September 2012 the ultimate parent company and controlling party of the Group was GCG Manager S.A Luxco S.C.A a "société en commandité par actions" established under the laws of Luxembourg.