

CAIRD TRADING LIMITED
(Registered Number SC80212)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004



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CAIRD TRADING LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors present their Annual Report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2004.

TRADING RESULTS AND DIVIDEND

The Company did not trade during the year and there were no transactions on the profit and loss account. The Directors do not recommend that a dividend be paid in respect of the year ended 31 March 2004 (2003: £Nil).

DIRECTORS

The Directors who held office during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows:-

M C E Averill
D J Downes

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

None of the Directors had a direct interest in the share capital of the Company. Messrs M C E Averill and D J Downes are directors of Shanks Group plc and their interests in that company's share capital are disclosed in that company's Report and Accounts. The directors had no interests in the shares of any other company in the Group.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements 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 financial statements; and
- 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 with 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.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (Continued)

AUDITORS

The Company has been dormant throughout the year ended 31 March 2004 and has taken exemption under section 249B(2) of the Companies Act 1985 not to re-appoint auditors.

By Order of the Board.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D J Downes', written in a cursive style.

D J Downes
Director

21 December 2004

Registered Office:
Ten George Street
Edinburgh
EH2 2DZ

CAIRD TRADING LIMITED**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 March 2004**

	<u>2004</u> £	<u>2003</u> £
CURRENT ASSETS		
Debtors (Note 3)	16,493	16,493
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NET CURRENT ASSETS	16,493	16,493
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TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	16,493	16,493
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES		
Called up Share Capital (Note 4)	1,000	1,000
Profit and Loss Account	15,493	15,493
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EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	16,493	16,493
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For the year ended 31 March 2004 the Company was entitled to exemption under section 249AA(1) of the Companies Act 1985.

Members have not required the Company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 249B(2) of the Companies Act 1985.

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for:

- ensuring the Company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221; and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at the end of the financial year, and of its profit or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirements of section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to the financial statements, so far as applicable to the Company.

Approved by the Board of Directors on 21 December 2004.



D J Downes
Director

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31 MARCH 2004

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation and Company Status

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable UK accounting standards. The Company has not traded during the year and accordingly it has made neither a profit or a loss. No profit and loss account has therefore been prepared.

2 EMOLUMENTS OF DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

The salaries of the Directors were paid by other Shanks Group undertakings and no remuneration was paid or is payable by Caird Trading Limited. The Directors estimate that no emoluments paid by other Shanks Group undertakings relate to services provided to the Company. The Company had no employees during the year (2003: Nil).

3 DEBTORS

	<u>2004</u> £	<u>2003</u> £
Amounts owed by parent and fellow subsidiary undertakings	16,493	16,493

4 CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	<u>2004</u> £	<u>2003</u> £
Authorised, allotted and fully paid 1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000

5 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In accordance with FRS8, the Company, being a wholly owned subsidiary of another company which prepares a statement of related party transactions including that of this Company, has not prepared such a statement itself.

6 CASH FLOW STATEMENT

In accordance with paragraph 8(c) of FRS1, the Company, being the wholly owned subsidiary of another company which prepares a cash flow statement has not prepared such a statement itself.

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7 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Company has granted to its bankers an unlimited guarantee and a right of set off against accounts outstanding on advances to its parent and fellow subsidiary undertakings.

8 ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The Company's immediate holding company is Caird Group Limited. The ultimate parent company is Shanks Group plc, a company registered in Scotland. Copies of the Group accounts may be obtained from the Company Secretary, Shanks Group plc, Astor House, Station Road, Bourne End, Buckinghamshire, SL8 5YP.