COMPANY NUMBER 53301

SOUTHAMPTON FOOTBALL CLUB LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND

GROUP ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 MAY 1996



CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

1996 FINANCIAL RESULTS

The loss for the year of £1,516,544 (after charging net transfer costs of £3,088,726) compares with a profit in the preceding year of £855,447 (after charging net transfer costs of £481,005).

FOOTBALL REVIEW

Premier League	1995/96	38 points	17th position
	1994/95	54 points	10th position
FA Cup	1995/96	Koʻd	6th round
	1994/95	Koʻd	5th round
Coca Cola Cup	1995/96	Ko'd	4th round
	1994/95	Ko'd	3rd round

The Premier League position last year was disappointing and once again the Club retained its league membership by the narrowest of margins.

The Reserve and Youth Teams continued to give experience to young players enabling them to develop their potential in the game.

PROSPECTS

Graeme Souness has been appointed as the Team Manager, in succession to Dave Merrington. I look forward to the challenge of the coming season where once again the Club will compete with sides with greater financial backing. The Club will be seeking a higher league position than last season and to progress in cup competitions beyond the initial rounds.

DEVELOPMENTS

The further development at Staplewood is in the course of construction.

The Board are awaiting the outcome of its further discussions with the local authorities on the Stoneham Interchange Site, a final decision by Hampshire Council Members to grant Stadium 2000 Plc a lease will be made on 12 December 1996.

STAFF

As always I would thank all our staff for their hard work and loyalty during a difficult year.

GUY ASKHAM Chairman

15 August 1996

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1996

The directors submit their report and the audited financial statements of the group for the year ended 31 May 1996.

1 STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1996

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INCOME		
The surplus arising on 1st team matches after charging match expenses and shares to visiting clubs, the League and Football Association	3,412,398	3,168,244
Marketing department earnings from sponsorship, group advertising, programmes and donations	406,435	307,714
Other income from catering, television, league and kit sponsorship, interest etc	2,257,341	2,324,263
	6,076,174	5,800,221
EXPENDITURE		
The cost of players' and coaches' wages, insurance, running of junior teams, other expenses relating to direct team costs	3,371,186	3,261,394
Overhead expenses, of salaries, occupancy, safety and upkeep and all other administrative costs	825,222	866,652
Provision for depreciation	119,519	130,300
	4,315,927	4,258,346
PROFIT FROM PLAYING FOOTBALL	1,760,247	1,541,875
TRANSFERS Transfer fees receivable Transfer and signing on fees payable	447,500 3,536,226 (3,088,726)	2,659,737 3,140,742 (481,005)
(Loss)/profit for the year of the company Loss of subsidiary undertakings Retained (loss)/profit for the year transferred to reserves	(1,328,479) (188,065) (1,516,544)	1,060,870 (_205,423)

2 PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The company is a Football Club, which participates in the FA Premier League, other Leagues and Cup competitions.

3 FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The group has been successful in obtaining outline planning consent to build a new stadium on the Stoneham site, and negotiations for the acquisition are continuing. Accordingly, the expenditure to date has been capitalised and shown as assets under development in fixed assets.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1996

		AT 31 MAY		
4	DIRECTORS	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	
(a)	F G L Askham	3,350	3,350	
	I L Gordon	2,500	2,500	
	B H D Hunt	2,500	2,500	
	K St J Wiseman	2,500	2,500	
	M R Richards	2,500	2,500	
	L McMenemy	100	100	

(b) The directors retiring by rotation are M R Richards and L McMenemy who being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

5 STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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 group and of the profit or loss of the group 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;
- state whether applicable 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 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.

6 THE STATE OF THE COMPANY'S AFFAIRS is considered satisfactory

7 PLAYER'S REGISTRATION

As stated in accounting policy note 1 no underlying value of the registrations of players under contract is reflected in the financial statements. Although not necessarily an indicator of current market value, the players are currently insured for a total of £13.77million.

8 AUDITORS

A resolution to reappiont Messrs Ernst & Young as auditors will be put to the members at the annual general meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

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15 August 1996

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF

SOUTHAMPTON FOOTBALL CLUB LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 7 to 18 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain land and buildings and on the basis of the accounting policies set out on page 11.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 5 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on the audit on those financial statements and to report our opinion to you.

BASIS OF OPINION

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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 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 affairs of the company and of the group as at 31 May 1996 and of the loss of the group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Enst & Young

ERNST & YOUNG
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor

SOUTHAMPTON

15 August 1996

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY		<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
	<u>NOTE</u>	£	£
TURNOVER	1 & 2	8,095,793	10,057,122
Cost of sales		4,999,632	4,821,886
GROSS PROFIT		3,096,161	5,235,236
Administrative expenses		4,560,845	4,280,033
		(1,464,684)	955,203
Other operating income	2	49,085	18,070
OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT	,2	(1,415,599)	973,273
Interest payable	3	103,329	95,598
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES E	SEFORE TAXATION	(1,518,928)	877,675
TAXATION	5	(2,384)	22,228
RETAINED (LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		(<u>1,516,544</u>)	855,447
ATTRIBUTABLE TO Holding company Subsidiary undertakings		(1,328,479) (188,065)	1,060,870 (<u>205,423</u>)

The group has no recognised gains and losses for the year other than those included in the results above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFIT AND LOSSES	<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
Reported (loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation	(1,518,928)	877,675
Difference between an historical cost depreciation charge and the actual depreciation charge of the year calculated on the revalued amount	70,832	70,832
Historical cost (loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation	(<u>1,448,096</u>)	948,507
Historical cost (loss)/profit for the year after taxation	(_1,445,712)	926,279

All of the group's activities are classed as continuing.

A statement showing the movement in reserves is given in note 12 to the financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MAY	, <u>NOTE</u>	<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	6(a)	4,511,557	4,645,961
Investments	7(a)	2,385 4,513,942	10,409 4,656,370
CURRENT ASSETS Stock		4,105	3,819
Debtors Cash and bank balances	8	401,952 9,327 415,384	559,205 909,311 1,472,335
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	9	2,867,542	2,587,994
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(<u>2,452,158</u>)	(<u>1,115,659</u>)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,061,784	3,540,711
CREDITORS: amounts due after one year	9	1,238,695	1,219,078
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	10	1,118,000	1,100,000
		2,356,695	2,319,078
		(<u>294,911</u>)	1,221,633
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Revaluation reserve Profit and loss account	11 12 12	52,570 354,403 (<u>701,884</u>)	52,570 425,235 743,828
Shareholders' funds - equity interests	13	(<u>294,911</u>)	1,221,633

The financial statements on pages 7 to 18 were approved by the board of directors on 15 August 1996 and were signed on its behalf by:

F G L ASKHAM - Director

M R RICHARDS - Director

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MAY	NOTE	<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets Investments	6(b) 7(b)	698,292 751,000 1,449,292	690,264 751,000 1,441,264
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash and bank balances	8	972,920 3,021 975,941	1,024,234 868,856 1,893,090
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	9	2,741,477	2,443,245
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(<u>1,765,536</u>)	(_550,155)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		(<u>316,244</u>)	891,109
CREDITORS: amounts due after one year	9	664,745	543,619
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	10	177,249	177,249
		841,994	720,868
		(<u>1,158,238</u>)	170,241
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Profit and loss account	11 12	52,570 (<u>1,210,808</u>)	52,570 117,671
Shareholders' funds - equity interests	13	(<u>1,158,238</u>)	170,241

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F G L ASKHAM - Director

M R RICHARDS - Director

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY	NOTE	£	<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	14		(1,648,685)	1,654,442
RETURN ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE Interest received Interest paid Dividends received NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE	, (_	46,870 90,441) 1,000	(42,571)	10,848 (100,092) 1,672 (87,572)
TAXATION Taxation on franked investment income Taxation paid	(_	200) 24,167)		(359)
TAXATION (PAID)			(24,367)	(359)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES Purchase of fixed assets Sale of fixed assets Loans repaid Sale of investments	(351,015) 50,764 - 7,475		(1,329,426) 29,950 10,000 5,858
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	f		(_292,776)	(1,283,618)
NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW BEFORE FINANCING			(<u>2,008,399</u>)	282,893
FINANCING Grants received Loans advanced Repayment of amounts borrowed Repayment of finance leases			(18,000) - 191,193 	(670,233) (1,130,000) 312,262
NET CASH OUTFLOW/(INFLOW) FROM FINANCING	16		194,399	(1,463,577)
(DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	15		(2,202,798)	1,746,470
			(<u>2,008,399</u>)	282,893

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1996

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of freehold land and buildings. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the company and all its subsidiary undertakings. No profit and loss account has been prepared for the holding company as permitted by S230 Companies Act 1985.

Turnover

Turnover is the total amount receivable in the ordinary course of business excluding Value Added Tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been provided where considered necessary at rates calculated to write down the assets to their estimated residual value over their anticipated useful lives as follows:

The Dell 8 years
Freehold property 50 years
Equipment 10 years
Motor vehicles 5 years

Transfer and Signing on Fees

Fees payable to and receivable from other football clubs on the transfer of players' registrations together with associated costs are dealt with through the profit and loss account in the year in which the transfer takes place. Signing on fees are charged in the period in which the contract commences. No underlying value of the registrations of players currently under contract is therefore reflected in the assets of the group.

Pension costs

The group makes contributions to the Football League Pension Scheme on behalf of its employees who are members of that scheme. The charge in the financial statements represents the premiums paid during the year.

Investments

Investments which are held for the long term are included in the Balance Sheet as fixed assets at cost. Provision is made where in the opinion of the directors a permanent diminution in value has occurred.

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made for taxation which is deferred as a result of all timing differences between depreciation and other charges made in the financial statements and the corresponding allowances for taxation purposes, to the extent that they are likely to crystallise. Due allowance has been made for all trading losses that are likely to be relieved in the future.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1996

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their useful lives. The interest element of the rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease and represents a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding.

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

Football Trust Grants

Grants received from The Football Trust in respect of ground improvements are treated as deferred income as these may become repayable in whole or in part if The Dell is sold.

2	TURNOVER AND OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT				OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT		
				1996	1995		
		<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £	£	<u>1995</u> £		
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	Trading activities	7,648,293	7,397,385	1,673,127	1,454,278		
	Transfer fees	447,500	2,659,737	(3,088,726)	(481,005)		
	Transfer fees	447,000	2,000,107	(_0,000,120)	(
		8,095,793	10,057,122	(1,415,599)	973,273		
	•	0,030,730	10,007,122	(0,0,2,0		
	Operating (loss)/profit on ordinary activities is stated after charging:	before taxatior	and interest pa	ayable			
	is stated after charging.			£	£		
	Depreciation			405,211	390,069		
	(Profit)/loss on sale of assets			(18,165)	1,690		
	Auditors remuneration			11,550	11,500		
	Operating lease rentals - plant			83,322	60,629		
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	and crediting:						
	Income from listed investments			1,000	1,672		
	Interest from bank deposits			46,174	11,030		
	Rents received			2,460	2,424		
	(Loss)/profit on sale of investments			(549)	2,944		
	(2000), prome or oard or invocationies	·					
				<u>49,085</u>	18,070		
3	INTEREST PAYABLE			<u>1996</u>	<u> 1995</u>		
_				£	£		
	Bank loan and overdraft repayable within five	e years		15,265	8,754		
	Bank loan repayable in more than five years	3		76,845	76,935		
	Finance charges in respect of hire purchase	and finance l	eases	11,219	9,909		
							
				103,329	95,598		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1996

4 DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

In accordance with Article 11 of the Company's Articles of Association, the Directors received no remuneration during the year. However, the Directors have an interest in the supply of services to the group by their respective professional practices and companies in which they hold shares.

CHARGE

	DIRECTOR	RELATED UNDERTAKING	FOR THE YEAR	
			£	
	II. Caudan	Paris Smith & Randall	10,506	
	I L Gordon B H D Hunt	Brian Hunt	8,325	
	M R Richards	Burnett Swayne	12,960	
	L McMenemy	Lawrie McMenemy Ltd	128,830	
	LIVIONICHOMY	Lawno mononomy Ltd		
	STAFF COSTS		<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
			£	£
	Wages and salaries		3,711,324	3,668,434
	Social security costs		327,334	323,342
	Pension contributions		<u>85,021</u>	76,492
			4,123,679	4,068,268
	The average weekly no following categories:	umber of employees employed by the group during	ng the year is ana	alysed in the
	Direct		59	59
	Selling		21	17
	Administration		23	20
			103	96
_	TAVATION		1006	1005
5	TAXATION		<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
	The tayation charge for	r the year is made up as follows:	4	* -
		the results @ 24.83% (1995: 25%)	(2,584)	21,869
		franked investment income	200	359
			(2,384)	22,228
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Subject to agreement with H M Inspector of Taxes, the Company has tax losses to be carried forward of approximately £1,368,000.

In addition there are short term timing differences of £569,000 in excess of accelerated capital allowances. Therefore, no liability to deferred taxation arises.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1996

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6(a) TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - THE GROUP

U(α)	TATOLE LINES AGOLTO	LAND AND	BUILDINGS			
		•	ASSETS UNDER		MOTOR	
		<u>FREEHOLD</u>	DEVELOPMENT	EQUIPMENT	VEHICLES	TOTAL
		£	£	£	£	£
	COST OR VALUATION					
	At 1 June 1995	3,966,119	384,384	962,743	156,708	5,469,954
	Additions	37,943	86,354	39,545	139,564	303,406
	Disposals			(5,464)	(<u>103,879</u>)	(109,343)
	At 31 May 1996	4,004,062	470,738	996,824	192,393	5,664,017
	DEPRECIATION					
	At 1 June 1995	401,460	-	343,162	79,371	823,993
	Charge for year	265,355	-	101,575	38,281	405,211
	Disposals	-	-	(5,464)	(71,280)	(<u>76,744</u>)
	·		-	400.070	40.070	1 150 100
	At 31 May 1996	666,815		439,273	46,372	1,152,460
	NET BOOK VALUE					
	At 31 May 1996	3,337,247	470,738	557,551	146,021	4,511,557
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	NET BOOK VALUE					
	At 31 May 1995	3,564,659	384,384	619,581	77,337	4,645,961
	•					
6 (b)	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - TH	E COMPAN'	·		MOTOR	
6 (b)	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - TH	E COMPAN	4	EQUIPMENT	<u>VEHICLES</u>	TOTAL
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6 (b)	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - TH	E COMPAN	4	£	<u>VEHICLES</u> £	£
6 (b)		E COMPAN'	4	£ 872,619	<u>VEHICLES</u> £ 156,708	£ 1,029,327
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6 (b)	COST At 1 June 1995 Additions Disposals At 31 May 1996 DEPRECIATION At 1 June 1995 Charge for year Disposals At 31 May 1996 NET BOOK VALUE	E COMPAN'		£ 872,619 38,747 (5,464) 905,902 259,692 99,403 (5,464) 353,631	VEHICLES £ 156,708 139,564 (103,879) 192,393 79,371 38,281 (71,280) 46,372	£ 1,029,327 178,311 (109,343) 1,098,295 339,063 137,684 (76,744) 400,003
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Freehold property includes investment properties of £82,100.

The group has been successful in obtaining outline planning permission to build a new stadium on the Stoneham site and negotiations for the acquisition are continuing. Accordingly, related expenditure has been capitalised and shown as assets under development in fixed assets.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1996

6(b) TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - THE COMPANY (Continued)

The group's land and buildings were revalued in 1983 by a professional firm of surveyors and valuers on the basis of open market value for existing use. The historical cost of the freehold land and buildings is £3,430,943 with accumulated depreciation of £454,319 (1995: £259,796). No provision for taxation on the revaluation surplus is considered necessary.

Included in the amounts for equipment are the following amounts relating to assets acquired under hire purchase contracts and finance leases.

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	COMPANY £
Net book value at 31 May 1996	<u>91,833</u>
Depreciation charge for the year	<u>12,371</u>

7(a) INVESTMENTS - THE GROUP

Listed Investments		£
Cost	•	
At 1 June 1995		10,409
Disposals		(8,024)
At 31 May 1996		<u>2,385</u>

The market value of the listed investments at 31 May 1996 amounted to £29,050 (1995: £30,450).

7(b)	INVESTMENTS - THE COMPANY	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
	Company	L	L
	Shares at cost	<u>751,000</u>	<u>751,000</u>

Subsidiary Undertakings	<u>Holding</u>	Proportion held	Nature of the Business
Southampton Leisure Holdings Ltd	Ordinary shares	100%	Property A supporters club Development of sports stadia
Saints Supporters Club Ltd	Ordinary shares	100%	
Stadium 2000 Plc	Ordinary shares	100%	

All the companies are registered in England and Wales. The shares in Stadium 2000 Plc are held by Southampton Leisure Holdings Limited.

8	DEBTORS <u>1996</u>		96	19	1995	
_		GROUP	COMPANY	GROUP	COMPANY	
	Due within one year:	£	£	£	£	
	Trade debtors	381,808	381,808	555,636	555,636	
	Prepayments	6,176	3,881	3,569	1,270	
	Other debtors	706	-	-	-	
	Amounts due from subsidiary undertakings	-	549,237	-	467,328	
	Corporation tax	13,262	13,262	-	-	
	Group relief	-	24,732	-	-	
	Loans	-			_	
		401,952	972,920	559,205	1,024,234	

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9	CREDITORS:		19	96	19	<u>95</u>
	Due within one		GROUP	COMPANY	GROUP	COMPANY
		,	£	£	£	£
	Bank overdraft	t (secured)	1,302,814	1,264,671	-	-
	Trade creditor	· ·	933,158	928,465	1,723,247	1,718,823
	Corporation ta	×	8,379	8,379	21,869	2,584
		and social security	206,182	205,379	322,936	321,999
	Accruals and o	deferred income	188,312	149,184	305,159	233,557
	Hire purchase	and finance lease creditor	26,102	26,102	22,504	22,504
	Bank loan		102,595	-	92,279	-
	Football Trust	Loan	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
	Amounts due	to subsidiary undertakings	,	59,297		43,778
			<u>2,867,542</u>	<u>2,741,477</u>	<u>2,587,994</u>	2,443,245
	CREDITORS:					
	Due after more	e than one year				
	Trade creditor	s	580,387	580,387	334,457	334,457
	Bank loan	due 2 - 5 years	532,875	-	480,153	-
		due in more than 5 years	41,075	-	195,306	-
	Hire purchase	and finance lease creditor	34,358	34,358	59,162	59,162
	Football Trust	Loan due 2 - 5 years	50,000	50,000	150,000	150,000
			1,238,695	664,745	1,219,078	543,619

The bank borrowings of the group are secured upon the freehold properties.

The bank loan is repayable in equal annual instalments within seven years from August 1994 with an early repayment option included. Interest is charged at a fixed rate of 10.3% for the first five years.

The Football Trust advanced the company £300,000 during 1995. The loan which is interest free is repayable over 3 years in quarterly instalments of £25,000.

10	PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	<u>GROUP</u> £	COMPANY £
	Grants from The Football Trust towards ground improvements Balance at 1 June 1995 Received in the year	1,100,000 18,000	177,249
	Balance at 31 May 1996	1,118,000	177,249
11	SHARE CAPITAL	<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
	Authorised Ordinary shares of £1 each	60,000	60,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid Ordinary shares of £1 each	52,570	52,570

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12	RESERVES			REVALUATION RESERVE	PROFIT & LOSS A/C £
	The Group At 1 June 1995 Retained loss for the year Transfer			425,235 - (<u>70,832</u>)	743,828 (1,516,544) 70,832
	At 31 May 1996		•	<u>354,403</u>	(<u>701,884</u>)
	The Company At 1 June 1995 Retained loss for the year				117,671 (<u>1,328,479</u>)
	At 31 May 1996	•			(<u>1,210,808</u>)
13	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHARE	HOLDERS' F GROUP 1996 £	UNDS COMPANY 1996 £	GROUP 1995 £	COMPANY 1995 £
	(Loss)/profit for the financial year Opening shareholders' funds	(1,516,544) 1,221,633	(1,328,479) <u>170,241</u>	855,447 366,186	1,060,870 (<u>890,629</u>)
	Closing shareholders' funds	(_294,911)	(<u>1,158,238</u>)	1,221,633	<u>170,241</u>
14	RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT T (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW FROM OPERATING AC			<u>1996</u> £	<u>1995</u> £
	Operating (loss)/profit before other income Depreciation (Profit)/loss on sale of assets Rent received (Increase) in stock Decrease/(increase) in debtors (Decrease)/increase in creditors			(1,464,684) 405,211 (18,165) 2,460 (286) 169,819 (743,040)	955,203 390,069 1,690 2,424 (784) (216,259) 522,099
	Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities	es		(<u>1,648,685</u>)	<u>1,654,442</u>
15	ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH DURING THE YEAR Cash at bank and in hand	I EQUIVALEN	TS <u>1996</u> £ 9,327	<u>1995</u> £ 909,311	CHANGE IN THE YEAR £ (899,984)
	Bank overdrafts	·	(<u>1,302,814</u>) (<u>1,293,487</u>)	909,311	(1,302,814) (2,202,798)
	Cash at bank and in hand Bank overdrafts		1995 £ 909,311 - 909,311	1994 £ 21,661 (858,820) (837,159)	CHANGE IN THE YEAR £ 887,650 858,820 1,746,470

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16 ANALYSIS OF FINANCING DURING THE YEAR

ANALISIS OF FINANCING DOTING THE F			FINANCE LEASE	
	GRANTS	LOANS	OBLIGATIONS	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£
Balance as at 1 June 1995 Grants received Repayment in the year	1,100,000 18,000 	1,017,738 - (<u>191,193</u>)	81,666 - (<u>21,206</u>)	2,199,404 18,000 (<u>212,399</u>)
Balance as at 31 May 1996	<u>1,118,000</u>	826,545	60,460	2,005,005
Balance as at 1 June 1994 Inception of finance lease contracts Grants received Grants received in respect of previous year Loans advanced Repayment in the year	462,309 - 670,233 (32,542) - -	200,000 - - - 1,130,000 (<u>312,262</u>)	53,651 52,409 - - - (24,394)	715,960 52,409 670,233 (32,542) 1,130,000 (336,656)
Balance as at 31 May 1995	1,100,000	<u>1,017,738</u>	81,666	2,199,404

17 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

- i There is a liability to pay up to £849,200 (1995: £1,037,800) to other clubs in respect of players under contract, dependent upon the number of first team appearances and international debuts made.
- ii There are unlimited cross guarantees between Southampton Football Club Limited and Southampton Leisure Holdings Limited, given to Barclays Bank Plc, to secure the bank borrowing of the group.

18 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

OA MAL COMMITTIER	GROUP COMPANY		19	1995 GROUP COMPANY	
	£	£	£	£	
Amounts contracted for but not provided for	152,758	152,758	Nil	Nil	