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Chartered Accountants

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British Mensa Limited

Report and Financial Statements

Year Ended

31 December 2000



British Mensa Limited

Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000

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Directors

PW Boswell
N Burger
DE Coates
PJ Hewitt
CJ Leek
PF Ford
PJ Baimbridge
S Herbert

Secretary and registered office

JL Stevenage, St. John's House, St. John's Square, Wolverhampton, WV2 4AH

Company number

971663

Auditors

BDO Stoy Hayward, Mander House, Wolverhampton, West Midlands, WV1 3NF

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Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2000

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000.

Results

The income and expenditure account is set out on page 5 and shows the surplus for the year.

Principal activities

Mensa - The High IQ Society

- To identify & foster human intelligence.
- To encourage research into intelligence.
- To provide a stimulating intellectual and social environment for its members.

Charitable and political contributions

During the year the company made charitable contributions of £300 (1999 - £273). There were no political contributions.

Directors

The directors of the company during the year were:

PW Boswell
N Burger
DE Coates
PJ Hewitt
CJ Leek
PF Ford
MF Metcalf (resigned 31 January 2001)
PJ Baimbridge
S Herbert

No director had any beneficial interest in the share capital of the company nor in the shares of its subsidiary undertaking.

The directors who retire by rotation are PW Boswell, N Burger and MF Metcalf who are eligible for re-election.

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Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2000 (*Continued*)

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 surplus or deficit of the company for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments 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 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.

Auditors

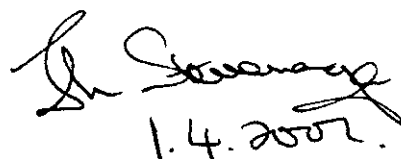
BDO Stoy Hayward have expressed their willingness to continue in office and a resolution to re-appoint them will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

By order of the board

JL Stevenage

Secretary



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Report of the auditors

To the shareholders of British Mensa Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 15 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on pages 8 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

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 judgments 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 31 December 2000 and of its surplus for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.



BDO STOY HAYWARD
*Chartered Accountants
and Registered Auditors*
Wolverhampton

4 May 2001

British Mensa Limited**Income and expenditure account for the year ended 31 December 2000**

	Note	2000 £	1999 £
Turnover	2	991,876	1,133,174
Administrative expenses		967,997	995,237
Operating surplus	3	23,879	137,937
Other interest receivable and similar income	5	15,919	3,330
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(379)	(3,471)
Surplus on ordinary activities before taxation		39,419	137,796
Taxation on surplus on ordinary activities		3,082	1,000
Surplus on ordinary activities after taxation retained for the year		36,337	136,796

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

All recognised gains and losses in the current and prior year are included in the income and expenditure account.

There are no movements in shareholders' funds in the current and prior year apart from the surplus for the year.

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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Note of historical cost surplus' and deficits for the year ended 31 December 2000

	2000	1999
	£	£
Reported surplus on ordinary activities before taxation	39,419	137,796
Realisation of property revaluation gains of previous years	30,136	-
Difference between actual and historical cost depreciation charge	-	(551)
Historical cost surplus on ordinary activities before taxation	69,555	137,245
Retained historical cost surplus for the year after taxation	66,473	136,245

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

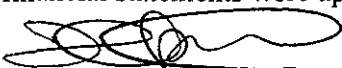
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Balance sheet at 31 December 2000

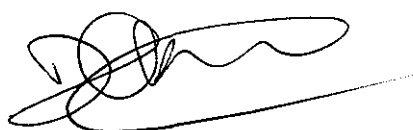
	Note	2000 £	2000 £	1999 £	1999 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		31,818		271,815
Investments	8		100		100
			31,918		271,915
Current assets					
Stocks	9	3,401		1,887	
Debtors	10	84,749		15,461	
Investments	11	200,000		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		173,294		261,681	
		461,444		279,029	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	162,151		256,070	
Net current assets			299,293		22,959
Net assets			331,211		294,874
Capital and reserves					
Revaluation reserve	14		-		30,136
Accumulated fund	14		331,211		264,738
Equity shareholders' funds			331,211		294,874

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 1 April 2001


DE Coates

Director



The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

Consolidated financial statements

The company is exempt from the requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements by virtue of section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 as the group it heads qualifies as a small group. These financial statements therefore present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemption conferred by Financial Reporting Standard 1 'Cash Flow Statements (Revised 1996)' not to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a 'small' company under the Companies Act 1985.

Turnover

Turnover represents the total amount receivable by the company in the ordinary course of business, for goods supplied and services provided less returns. It excludes value added tax and components collected with members' subscriptions and accounted for to Mensa International Limited at the rate prevailing at the time.

Subscriptions are recognised in the income and expenditure account in full when the money is received.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost or valuation, less estimated residual values, of all tangible fixed assets, evenly over their expected useful lives. It is calculated at the following rates:

Freehold property	- 2.5% of cost or valuation
Fixtures & fittings	- 20% per annum on cost
Computer equipment	- 33% per annum on cost

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is based on the cost of purchase on a first in, first out basis. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less additional costs to completion and disposal.

Foreign currency

Foreign currency transactions are translated into sterling at the rates ruling when they occurred. Foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities are translated at the rates ruling at the balance sheet dates. Any differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (Continued)

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Operating leases

Annual rentals are charged to the income and expenditure account on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

2 Turnover

Turnover is wholly attributable to the principal activity of the company.

The percentage of turnover that is attributable to markets outside the United Kingdom is 1.4% (1999 : 1%)

	2000 £	1999 £
Analysis by market:		
Subscriptions:		
Standard rate	878,205	1,005,778
Reduced rate	41,003	46,801
Joint members	41,261	48,904
	960,469	1,101,483
VAT	(63,394)	(72,386)
International component	(50,492)	(45,517)
	846,583	983,580
Testing income	56,436	50,028
Mensa events	63,505	45,271
Advertising	21,619	41,626
Sundries	3,733	12,669
	991,876	1,133,174

British Mensa Limited**Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (Continued)****3 Operating surplus**

This is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	2000 £	1999 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	23,026	32,543
Hire of other assets - operating leases	31,046	18,061
Auditors remuneration	7,025	7,650
Profit/(loss) on disposal of fixed assets	10,750	(2,523)
Office reorganisation costs	(9,402)	23,360

4 Directors' remuneration

No director received any emoluments during the current year (1999 - £nil).

5 Other interest receivable and similar income

	2000 £	1999 £
Bank deposits	15,919	3,330

6 Interest payable and similar charges

	2000 £	1999 £
Other interest	379	3,471

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (Continued)

7 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Plant and machinery etc £	Total £
<i>Cost or valuation</i>			
At 1 January 2000	281,617	207,870	489,487
Additions	-	7,279	7,279
Disposals	(281,617)	-	(281,617)
At 31 December 2000	-	215,149	215,149
<i>Depreciation</i>			
At 1 January 2000	57,367	160,305	217,672
Provided for the year	-	23,026	23,026
Disposals	(57,367)	-	(57,367)
At 31 December 2000	-	183,331	183,331
<i>Net book value</i>			
At 31 December 2000	-	31,818	31,818
At 31 December 1999	224,250	47,565	271,815

The comparative figures include land and buildings at an historical cost value of £252,032 and accumulated depreciation based on historical cost of £45,167, arriving at an historical cost net book value of £206,865.

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (Continued)

8 Fixed asset investments

	Shares in group undertakings
<i>Cost or valuation and net book value</i>	
At 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2000	100
<i>Net book value</i>	—
At 31 December 1999 and 31 December 2000	100
	—

Subsidiary undertaking

The principal undertakings in which the company's interest at the year end is 20% or more are as follows:

	Class of share capital held	%
<i>Subsidiary undertaking</i>		
Mensa Publications Limited	Ordinary	100

During the year the following subsidiary companies were dissolved, as indicated in the 1999 financial statements:

Mensa Office Services Limited
Mensa Wolverhampton Limited
Mensa Administration Limited

Unless otherwise stated, the following figures have been extracted from audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000:

	Aggregate share capital and reserves £	Profit/(loss) for the year £
<i>Subsidiary undertaking</i>		
Mensa Publications Limited	31,603	5,628

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (Continued)

9 Stocks

	2000 £	1999 £
Stocks	3,401	1,887
	<u>3,401</u>	<u>1,887</u>

10 Debtors

	2000 £	1999 £
Trade debtors	1,862	8,407
Amounts owed by group undertakings and undertakings in which the company has a participating interest	45,395	3,512
Other debtors	37,492	3,542
	<u>84,749</u>	<u>15,461</u>

All amounts shown under debtors fall due for payment within one year.

11 Current asset investments

	2000 £	1999 £
Other investments	200,000	-
	<u>200,000</u>	<u>-</u>

The above relates to monies held on deposit on 30 day call.

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2000 £	1999 £
Bank loans and overdrafts (secured)	-	34,490
Trade creditors	43,481	75,066
Taxation and social security	7,453	65,167
Other creditors	111,217	81,347
	<u>162,151</u>	<u>256,070</u>

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 *(Continued)*

13 Liability of members

Each member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company on a winding up such amount as may be required not exceeding £1.

The number of members at 31 December 2000 was 28,232 (1999 : 30,916).

The company may not distribute its reserves to its members and, as a result, there are no equity interests in the company.

14 Reserves

	Revaluation reserve £	Accumulated fund £
At 1 January 2000	30,136	264,738
Surplus for the year	-	36,337
Transfers	(30,136)	30,136
At 31 December 2000	-	331,211

15 Related party disclosures

Recharges for general administrative services of £47,715 (1999 : £32,549) were made to Mensa Publications Limited during the year. At 31 December 2000, the company was owed £45,395 (1999 : £3,512) by Mensa Publications Limited.

16 Capital commitments

As at 31 December 2000, the company had no capital commitments (1999 : £nil).

British Mensa Limited**Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (Continued)**

17 Commitments under operating leases

As at 31 December 2000, the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

	2000		1999	
	Land and buildings	Other	Land and buildings	Other
	£	£	£	£
Operating leases which expire:				
In two to five years	-	11,280	-	12,689
After five years	29,500	-	2,600	2,772
	29,500	11,280	2,600	15,461

18 Salaries and fees

	2000	1999
	£	£
Salaries of senior management	85,220	97,841
Fees paid for magazine contract	23,100	22,575
	108,320	120,416

Senior management is defined as the General Manager, Account Manager and Membership Secretary.