

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT

FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER, 1997

COMPANY NUMBER : 2269310



LANCASTER & CO,
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Wolverhampton WV1 4SB

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITED

DIRECTORS : AS ON PAGE 1 IN THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

SECRETARY : D. ADAMS

REGISTERED OFFICE : NEWBRIDGE THERAPY CENTRE
MEADOW VIEW WHARF
OFF TETTENHALL ROAD
WOLVERHAMPTON
WV6 0JT

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WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITED
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT 1997/8

Mr. P. Williams (Chairman)
 Mr. G. Bradford (Vice Chairman)
 Mr. D. Adams (Secretary)
 Mr. J. Shenton (Treasurer)
 Mrs. B. Smith
 Mrs. R. Wyatt
 Mrs. P. Dyke
 Miss. S. Lawrence
 Mr. D. Sanders

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT 1996/7

Mr. P. Williams (Chairman)
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 Mr. D. Adams (Secretary)
 Mr. J. Shenton (Treasurer)
 Mr. J. Baker
 Mr. S. Berriman
 Mrs. L. Lockett-Smith
 Mr. F. Parton
 Mrs. B. Smith
 Mrs. R. Wyatt
 Mrs. P. Dyke
 Miss. S. Lawrence

The Committee present their Annual Report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 1997.

The members of the committee whose names are shown above served throughout the year.

INCORPORATION

The Company was incorporated on 20th June, 1988 and took over the Wolverhampton and District Friends of A.R.M.S (the previously unincorporated body) from 1st January, 1990.
 The Company was registered as a charity on 19th July, 1989, number 701791.

ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the Company throughout the year were to aid and improve, for the public benefit, the condition of those suffering from multiple sclerosis by providing at the Newbridge Therapy Centre facilities for hyperbaric oxygen treatment, physiotherapy and dietary advice, and a meeting place/day centre for patients and their carers.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

The income and expenditure for the year is shown in the income and expenditure account on page 4. It is the aim of the committee of management to build up funds for future development. The committee are grateful for the daily support of the many voluntary workers who, together with the professional staff - full time Carer/Administrator Mrs. Dorothy Whitehouse and part time staff Mrs. Jane Priest, Physiotherapist, Mrs. Jenny Ridgway, Dietician, and Mrs. Jean Soden, Secretary, have enabled the Company to provide the services referred to above at minimum cost. They are satisfied that these services will continue to be available for Multiple Sclerosis patients in the foreseeable future.

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITED

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT (Continued)

STATEMENT OF THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Committee of Management to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the Committee 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 Committee 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 statement 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.

FIXED ASSETS

Acquisitions and disposals of fixed assets during the year are recorded in the notes to the accounts.

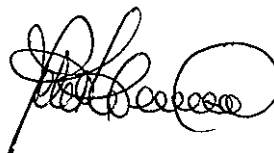
POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

During the year the Company made no political contributions.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Lancaster & Co., will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMITTEE



P. WILLIAMS
CHAIRMAN



J. SHENTON
TREASURER

Dated this the 13th day of May, 1998

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF
WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 9 which have been prepared under the Historical Cost Convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective Responsibilities of the Committee of Management and Auditors

As described on page 2 the Committee of Management 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 judgements made by the Committee 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 at 31st December, 1997 and of its Surplus for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act, 1985.

13th May, 1998
Wolverhampton WV1 4SB.



LANCASTER & CO
Chartered Accountants
and Registered Auditors.

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITEDSTATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIESFor the year ended 31st December, 1997

		<u>Unrestricted</u>	
		<u>Funds</u>	
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Income		66,338	64,800
Expenditure		58,498	68,141
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	7	<u>7,840</u>	<u>(3,341)</u>

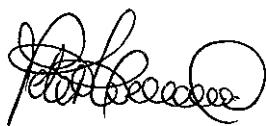
Movements on reserves are set out in Note 7.

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITEDBALANCE SHEET - 31st December, 1997

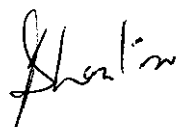
	Notes	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
		£	£
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
Tangible Assets	3	65,191	72,555
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Stocks	4	1,159	1,702
Debtors	5	-	-
Cash at Bank and in Hand		83,743	66,857
		<u>84,902</u>	<u>68,559</u>
<u>CREDITORS: Amounts falling due</u>			
within one year	6	4,559	3,419
		<u>80,343</u>	<u>65,140</u>
<u>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT</u>			
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		<u>145,534</u>	<u>137,695</u>
<u>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</u>			
Development Reserve	7	50,000	50,000
Profit and Loss Account	7	95,534	87,695
		<u>145,534</u>	<u>137,695</u>

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

P. WILLIAMS



J. SHENTON


Approved by the Committee: 13th May, 1998

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31st December, 1997

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the Historical Cost Convention. Because the company is a registered charity and is limited by guarantee without a share capital the committee considers that the profit and loss account on page 4 is the most appropriate form for reporting its operation. This represents a departure from the standard format of schedule 4 of the Companies Act, 1985 and it has been made to enable the financial statements to show a true and fair view.

(b) Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 'Reporting Financial Performance'

The financial statements have been prepared to conform with the new requirements of this standard and in particular, unless otherwise stated, the results arise totally from continuing operations.

(c) Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates and bases in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Leasehold Premises - Long Lease	- Lifetime of Lease
Computer Equipment	- 25% reducing balance
Hyperbaric Oxygen Installation	- 15% reducing balance

(d) Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

2. STATUS OF COMPANY

The Company is incorporated under the Companies Act and is limited by guarantee.

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITEDNOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) - 31st December, 19973. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Leasehold Premises</u>	<u>Computer Equipment</u>	<u>Hyperbaric Oxygen Installation</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>Cost or Valuation</u>				
As at 1st January, 1997	32,038	3,132	68,684	103,854
Additions	-	-	-	-
As at 31st December, 1997	32,038	3,132	68,684	103,854

Depreciation

As at 1st January, 1997	3,773	1,331	26,195	31,299
Charge for Year	539	450	6,373	7,362
As at 31st December, 1997	4,312	1,781	32,568	38,661

Net Book Values

As at 31st December, 1997	27,726	1,351	36,116	65,193
As at 1st January, 1997	28,265	1,801	42,489	72,555

4. STOCKS

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Goods for Resale	1,159	1,702

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITEDNOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) - 31st December, 19975. DEBTORS

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Other Debtors	-	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

6. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Trade Creditors	513	540
Other Creditors	1,777	1,629
Social Security and Other Taxes	787	750
Accruals	1,482	500
	<u>4,559</u>	<u>3,419</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

7. RESERVES

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Profit and Loss Account		
As at 1st January, 1997	87,694	91,036
Development Reserve	50,000	50,000
Surplus retained (Deficit sustained)		
for the year	7,840	(3,341)
	<u>145,534</u>	<u>137,695</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

8. OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)

Operating Surplus (Deficit) is stated after charging:

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Depreciation	7,363	8,354
Staff Cost (Note 9)	29,751	28,673
Auditors Remuneration	500	500
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITEDNOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) - 31st December, 19979. STAFF COSTS

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Wages and Salaries	27,389	26,388
Social Security Costs	2,362	2,285
	<u>29,751</u>	<u>28,673</u>

There has been no remuneration paid to members of the Committee of Management.

The average weekly number of employees during the year was as follows:-

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
Administration	4	4

10. CASHFLOW STATEMENT

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption provided by Financial Reporting Standard No.1 and has not prepared a cashflow statement.

11. COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

The financial statements for the year were formally approved by the Committee of Management on the 13th May, 1998.

WOLVERHAMPTON AND DISTRICT FRIENDS OF A.R.M.S LIMITEDRESERVE ACCOUNTFor the year ended 31st December, 1997

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>		
General Donations and Fund Raising	28,627	24,326
Dive Fees	26,984	28,570
Physiotherapy Fees	2,037	2,029
Membership Subscriptions	229	257
Fund Raising Street Collections	3,127	3,533
Boxing Events (Net)	-	796
Sales of Goods Net Profit	2,172	2,456
Bank and Building Society Interest	3,162	2,833
	66,338	64,800

CHARITABLE RESOURCES EXPENDED

Equipment Purchase and Maintenance	2,325	12,633
Oxygen	6,517	6,390
Salaries	27,679	26,585
General Running Costs	11,933	9,970
Depreciation - Leasehold Premises	539	539
Computer Equipment	450	317
Hyperbaric Oxygen Installation	6,373	7,498
	55,816	63,932

OTHER EXPENDITURE

Professional Fees	110	1,621
Auditors Remuneration	500	500
Salaries - Administrative	2,072	2,088
	2,682	4,209

NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)

7,840	(3,341)