

ALEXANDER OASTLER LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31st MARCH 2000

Registered number: 24913

SIEVWRIGHT DICKSON & CO.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Arbroath



ALEXANDER OASTLER LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT

31st March 2000

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2000.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company was that of joinery work.

Directors

The directors of the company during the year and their interests in the shares of the company as recorded in the register of directors' interests were as follows

	31st March 2000 Ordinary shares	1st April 1999 Ordinary shares
H.L.Ramsay	1	1
B.Thomson	1	1
G.L.Strachan	-	-
D.M.Melville	-	-

G.L.Strachan and D.M.Melville are directors of McTavish Ramsay and Company Limited which held 7,798 shares of the company throughout the year.

The directors are not required to retire by rotation.

At an Extraordinary General Meeting on 10th August 2000, G.L.Strachan was removed as a director of the company.

Auditors

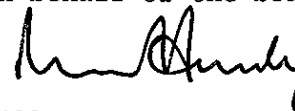
Sievwright Dickson & Co. have agreed to offer themselves for re-appointment as auditors of the company.

Small company exemptions

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

The financial statements on pages 4 to 12 have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

On behalf of the board



Miller Hendry
Secretaries

18th October 2000

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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 financial statements, the directors are required to:

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

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AUDITORS' REPORT

Auditors' report to the members of

Alexander Oastler Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 12 which have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 2, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of 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

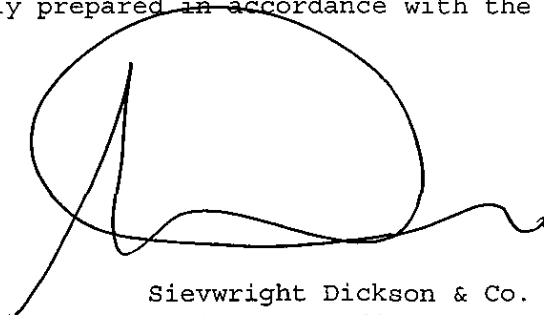
We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the 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 error or other irregularity. 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 31st March 2000 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Arbroath
18th October 2000



Siewwright Dickson & Co.
Registered Auditors
Chartered Accountants

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31st March 2000

	Note	2000 £	1999 £
Turnover	2	2,019,454	1,872,303
Changes in stocks of finished goods and work in progress		(1,527)	15,281
Other operating income		501	968
		2,018,428	1,888,552
Raw materials and consumables		(1,186,391)	(1,090,298)
Staff costs	4	(708,853)	(663,613)
Depreciation	3	(32,992)	(27,807)
Other operating charges		(68,989)	(54,269)
Operating profit	3	21,203	52,565
Investment income	5	18,947	20,798
Interest payable		(5,938)	(5,262)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		34,212	68,101
Taxation	6	(6,367)	(14,847)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		27,845	53,254
Profit retained by associate company	7	(6,650)	(6,759)
Retained profit for the year	15	<u>21,195</u>	<u>46,495</u>

Movements in reserves are shown in note 15.

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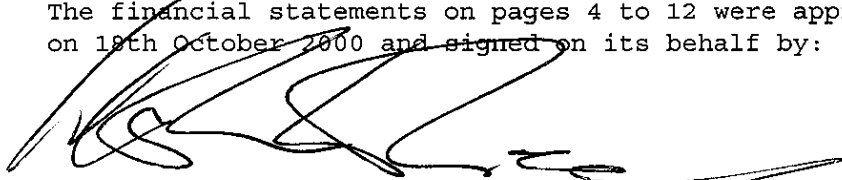
BALANCE SHEET

at 31st March 2000

	Note	2000 £	1999 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	8	308,095	288,610
Investments	9	17,500	17,500
		<u>325,595</u>	<u>306,110</u>
Current assets			
Stocks		162,718	143,149
Debtors	10	578,584	262,226
Cash at bank and in hand		73	752
		<u>741,375</u>	<u>406,127</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	<u>(590,855)</u>	<u>(245,547)</u>
Net current assets		<u>150,520</u>	<u>160,580</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>476,115</u>	<u>466,690</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	12	(35,522)	(46,474)
Provision for liabilities and charges	13	(15,886)	(16,705)
		<u>424,707</u>	<u>403,511</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	14	11,000	11,000
Profit and loss account	15	413,707	392,511
Total shareholders' funds		<u>424,707</u>	<u>403,511</u>

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

The financial statements on pages 4 to 12 were approved by the board of directors on 18th October 2000 and signed on its behalf by:


H.L. Ramsay
Chairman

ALEXANDER OASTLER LIMITED

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31st March 2000

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost accounting rules.

The financial statements have also been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement conferred by Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 on the grounds that it qualifies as a small company under the Companies Act 1985.

Turnover

Turnover represents the amount derived from the provision of goods and services falling within the company's activities after deduction of trade discounts and value added tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Heritable property	1% straight line method
Plant and machinery	10% reducing balance method
Motor vehicles	25% reducing balance method
Fixtures and fittings	10% reducing balance, 20% straight line

Leases and hire purchase contracts

Tangible fixed assets acquired under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised at the estimated fair value at the date of inception of each lease or contract. The total finance charges are allocated over the period of the lease in such a way as to give a reasonably constant charge on the outstanding liability.

Stocks and work in progress

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is computed on a first in first out basis. The cost of work in progress includes all direct materials and labour plus attributable overheads based on the normal level of activity. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less the estimated cost of disposal.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method in respect of the taxation effect of all timing differences to the extent that tax liabilities are likely to crystallise in the foreseeable future.

Defined contribution pension scheme

Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

Associated company

The company's share of the profits of an associated company, based on the audited accounts to March 31st is included in the company's profit and loss account. As the company has no subsidiaries and does not otherwise prepare consolidated accounts, the share of the associated company's post-acquisition retained profits and reserves are shown by way of note and not included in the balance sheet of the company. Sales by the associated company are not included in the turnover.

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2 Turnover

In the opinion of the directors, none of the turnover of the company is attributable to geographical markets outside the UK (1999 nil).

3 Operating profit

	2000 £	1999 £
Operating profit is stated after crediting:		
Profit on sale of assets	3,836	-
and after charging:		
Auditors' remuneration	3,300	3,500
Loss on sale of assets	-	234
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets (note 8):		
Owned assets	36,828	26,778
Leased assets	-	795
	<u>36,828</u>	<u>27,573</u>

4 Directors

	2000 £	1999 £
Directors' emoluments	79,500	110,464
Compensation for loss of office	-	12,974
	<u>79,500</u>	<u>123,438</u>

During the year the following number of directors accrued retirement benefits under:

	Number	Number
Money purchase pension schemes	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>

Defined contribution pension scheme

The company operates a defined contribution scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £9,244 (1999 £12,333).

5 Investment income

	2000 £	1999 £
Interest receivable	95	2,406
Share of associated company profits	9,717	9,944
Other non-trading income	9,135	8,448
	<u>18,947</u>	<u>20,798</u>

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6 Taxation

	2000	1999
	£	£
Corporation tax on profit on ordinary activities at 20% (1999 21%)	5,199	10,530
Tax credit on franked investment income	45	96
Deferred taxation	(819)	2,161
Associated company taxation	1,942	2,060
	<u>6,367</u>	<u>14,847</u>

7 Associated company

The company holds 37.5% of the issued share capital of Dundee Indoor Bowling Rink Limited, a company registered in Scotland.

	2000	1999
	£	£
Company's share of profits for year before tax	9,717	9,944
Less : Corporation tax	(1,942)	(2,060)
Less : Dividend receivable in respect of period to 31st March 1999	(1,125)	(1,125)
	<u>6,650</u>	<u>6,759</u>

The company's share of post acquisition profits retained by the associated company amounts to:-

Balance brought forward	83,611	76,852
Increase for year	6,650	6,759
	<u>90,261</u>	<u>83,611</u>

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8 Tangible fixed assets

	Motor Vehicles	Plant and Machinery	Fixtures and Fittings	Land and Buildings	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£	£
1st April 1999	104,743	161,007	23,624	154,133	443,507
Additions	58,304	6,668	4,055	-	69,027
Disposals	(44,215)	-	(2,000)	-	(46,215)
31st March 2000	<u>118,832</u>	<u>167,675</u>	<u>25,679</u>	<u>154,133</u>	<u>466,319</u>
Depreciation					
1st April 1999	52,972	81,217	9,772	10,936	154,897
Charge for the year	23,991	8,159	3,137	1,541	36,828
Disposals	(32,458)	-	(1,043)	-	(33,501)
31st March 2000	<u>44,505</u>	<u>89,376</u>	<u>11,866</u>	<u>12,477</u>	<u>158,224</u>
Net book amount					
31st March 2000	<u>74,327</u>	<u>78,299</u>	<u>13,813</u>	<u>141,656</u>	<u>308,095</u>
1st April 1999	<u>51,771</u>	<u>79,790</u>	<u>13,852</u>	<u>143,197</u>	<u>288,610</u>

The net book amount of fixed assets at 31st March 2000 does not include any assets held in respect of finance leases and hire purchase contracts, (1999 £11,291).

9 Fixed asset investments

	Associated company	Unquoted investments	Total
Cost	£	£	£
1st April 1999 and at 31st March 2000	<u>16,500</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>17,500</u>
Net book amount			
31st March 2000	<u>16,500</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>17,500</u>
1st April 1999	<u>16,500</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>17,500</u>
		2000	1999
		£	£
Unquoted investments - cost		<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
Unquoted investments - market value		<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>

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10 Debtors

	2000	1999
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Trade debtors	558,614	245,954
Amounts due from parent company	-	4,087
Other debtors	19,970	12,185
	<u>578,584</u>	<u>262,226</u>

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2000	1999
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	189,971	30,594
Trade creditors	309,940	127,248
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts - note 12	-	5,752
Amounts due to parent company	2,131	-
Corporation tax	5,199	10,530
Other taxation and social security	60,623	50,624
Other creditors	22,991	20,799
	<u>590,855</u>	<u>245,547</u>

There is a standard security in favour of the company's bankers over the factory, offices and yard at 30 Douglas Street, Dundee and the warehouse at Blinshall Street, Dundee and a floating charge over the company's assets and undertakings.

12 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2000	1999
	£	£
Bank loans	35,522	46,474
	<u>35,522</u>	<u>46,474</u>
Creditors other than finance lease and hire purchase contracts		
Amounts falling due after more than five years	-	12,226
	<u>-</u>	<u>12,226</u>

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13 Deferred taxation

	2000		1999	
	Amount unprovided £	Amount provided £	Amount unprovided £	Amount provided £
Corporation tax deferred by				
Capital allowances in excess of depreciation	-	15,886	-	16,705
	-	15,886	-	16,705

Deferred taxation is based on a corporation tax rate of 20% (1999 21%).

14 Called up share capital

	2000		1999	
	Number of shares	£	Number of shares	£
Authorised				
Ordinary share capital	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid				
Ordinary share capital	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000

15 Profit and loss account

	2000 £
1st April 1999	392,512
Retained profit for the year	21,195
31st March 2000	413,707

16 Holding company

The company is a subsidiary of McTavish Ramsay and Company Limited, a company registered in Scotland.

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17 Related parties

Name of party	McTavish Ramsay & Co. Ltd.
Relationship	McTavish Ramsay & Co. Ltd. own 70.9% of the Ordinary Share Capital of the company.
Transactions	£
Purchases	2,828
Sales	7,918
Amount due to related party at 31st March 2000	2,131